

FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Item 2

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**Docket No. 140029-TP** – Request for submission of proposals for relay service, beginning in June 2015, for the deaf, hard of hearing, deaf/blind, or speech impaired, and other implementation matters in compliance with the Florida Telecommunications Access System Act of 1991.

**Issue 1:** Should the Commission approve FTRI’s proposed budget, excluding the National Deaf-Blind Equipment Distribution Program, for Fiscal Year 2016/2017, and should the Commission maintain the current Telecommunications Relay Service (TRS) surcharge of \$0.12 per month?

**Recommendation:** No, staff recommends that the budget expenses should be reduced by \$601,238. Attachment D of staff’s memorandum dated June 23, 2016, reflects the line-by-line adjustments that are being recommended. The surcharge should be reduced to \$0.11 beginning September 1, 2016. If necessary, FTRI should be allowed to use the surplus account if there is a revenue shortfall in Fiscal Year 2016/2017.

**APPROVED** as modified

Approval of option 2, with reduction of surcharge from 12¢ to 11¢.

Grant FTRI the 10% management tool category to category shift, if necessary, within their professional judgement.

COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: All Commissioners

COMMISSIONERS’ SIGNATURES

MAJORITY

DISSENTING

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REMARKS/DISSENTING COMMENTS:

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**Issue 2:** Should the Commission approve the appointments of Mr. Tom D'Angelo and Mr. Tim Wata to the TASA Advisory Committee effective immediately?

**Recommendation:** Yes. Staff recommends that the Commission approve the appointments of Mr. Tom D'Angelo and Mr. Tim Wata to the TASA Advisory Committee effective immediately.

**APPROVED**

**Issue 3:** Should this docket be closed?

**Recommendation:** No. A Consummating Order should be issued for Issue 1, unless a person whose substantial interests are affected by the Commission's decision files a protest within 21 days of the issuance of the proposed agency action. The docket should remain open to address all matters related to relay service throughout the life of the current Sprint contract.

**APPROVED**