

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Request for approval of) DOCKET NO. 960821-TI
merger of Affinity Fund, Inc.) ORDER NO. PSC-96-1256-FOF-TI
into Affinity Corporation and) ISSUED: October 8, 1996
change in name on Affinity Fund,)
Inc.'s Interexchange)
Telecommunications Certificate)
No. 2653 to Affinity)
Corporation.)
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The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

SUSAN F. CLARK, Chairman
J. TERRY DEASON
JOE GARCIA
JULIA L. JOHNSON
DIANE K. KIESLING

NOTICE OF PROPOSED AGENCY ACTION
ORDER APPROVING MERGER AND CHANGE OF NAME

BY THE COMMISSION:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the Florida Public Service Commission that the action discussed herein is preliminary in nature and will become final unless a person whose interests are adversely affected files a petition for a formal proceeding, pursuant to Rule 25-22.029, Florida Administrative Code.

By joint application dated July 17, 1996, Affinity Corporation (a Wisconsin Corporation), and the Florida certificated Interexchange Telecommunications Company, Affinity Fund, Inc., (Applicants); petitioned for approval of a merger of the Applicants so that the certificate held by Affinity Fund, Inc., will be held by Affinity Corporation.

At present, Affinity Fund, Inc., is authorized to provide intrastate telecommunications service in Florida and has been issued a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity Number 2653 to provide statewide interexchange telecommunications services.

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None of the terms and conditions of service offered by the Applicants will be affected by the transaction. The Applicants will continue to operate under the present tariff on file with this Commission.

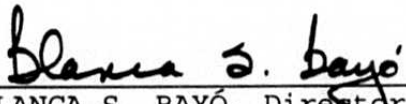
Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that the proposed merger of Affinity Corporation and Affinity Fund, Inc., is hereby approved as outlined in the body of this Order. It is further

ORDERED that the name of the certificated entity on Interexchange Certificate No. 2653 shall be changed to Affinity Corporation

ORDERED that, unless a person whose interests are substantially affected by the action proposed herein files a petition in the form and by the date specified in the Notice of Further Proceedings or Judicial Review, below, merger approval shall become effective on the following date and this docket shall be closed.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 8th day of October, 1996.



BLANCA S. BAYÓ, Director
Division of Records and Reporting

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NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.59(4), Florida Statutes, to notify parties of any administrative hearing or judicial review of Commission orders that is available under Sections 120.57 or 120.68, Florida Statutes, as well as the procedures and time limits that apply. This notice should not be construed to mean all requests for an administrative

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hearing or judicial review will be granted or result in the relief sought.

The action proposed herein is preliminary in nature and will not become effective or final, except as provided by Rule 25-22.029, Florida Administrative Code. Any person whose substantial interests are affected by the action proposed by this order may file a petition for a formal proceeding, as provided by Rule 25-22.029(4), Florida Administrative Code, in the form provided by Rule 25-22.036(7)(a) and (f), Florida Administrative Code. This petition must be received by the Director, Division of Records and Reporting, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, by the close of business on October 29, 1996.

In the absence of such a petition, this order shall become effective on the day subsequent to the above date as provided by Rule 25-22.029(6), Florida Administrative Code.

Any objection or protest filed in this docket before the issuance date of this order is considered abandoned unless it satisfies the foregoing conditions and is renewed within the specified protest period.

If this order becomes final and effective on the date described above, any party substantially affected may request judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility or by the First District Court of Appeal in the case of a water or wastewater utility by filing a notice of appeal with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting and filing a copy of the notice of appeal and the filing fee with the appropriate court. This filing must be completed within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this order, pursuant to Rule 9.110, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure. The notice of appeal must be in the form specified in Rule 9.900(a), Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.