BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Proposed Amendments to Rule 25-24.471, F.A.C., Application for Certificate) DOCKET NO. 960525-TL) ORDER NO. PSC-96-1432-FOF-TL) ISSUED: November 21, 1996

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 ADOPTION OF RULE

NOTICE is hereby given that the Florida Public Service Commission, pursuant to Section 120.54, Florida Statutes, has adopted Rule 25-24.471, Florida Administrative Code, relating to application for certificate without changes.

The rule was filed with the Department of State on November 18, 1996 and will be effective on December 9, 1996. A copy of the rule as filed with the Secretary of State is attached to this Notice.

This docket is closed upon issuance of this notice.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 21st day of November, 1996.

BLANCA S. BAYÓ, Director Division of Records & Reporting

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25-24.471 Application for Certificate.

(1) An applicant desiring to apply for a certificate shall submit an application on Commission Form PSC/CMU 31 (12/96) (4/91), which is incorporated into this rule by reference. Form PSC/CMU 31 (12/96) (4/91), entitled "Application Form for Authority to Provide Interexchange Telecommunications Service Between Points Within the State of Florida," may be obtained by contacting the Commission's Division of Communications. A non-refundable application fee of \$250.00 must accompany the filing of all applications.

(2) An original and <u>12 twelve (12)</u> copies of the application shall be filed with the Division of Records and Reporting.

(3) A certificate will be granted if the Commission determines that such approval is in the public interest.

(4) Any authority granted to interexchange companies (IXCs) previously or hereafter is subject to the following:

(a) Toll authority granted to all companies is statewide. A company may provide toll service over its own or resold facilities. However, end user dialed 0+ local and all 0- calls shall be initially routed to the serving local exchange company or alternative local exchange company the local exchange company shall be the sole carrier for 0+ local, 0 local and 0 intraLATA toll calls dialed by end users. When operator services are provided by the alternative local exchange company, the alternative local ORDER NO. PSC-96-1432-FOF-TL DOCKET NO. 960525-TL PAGE 3

exchange company must also provide access to emergency service, busy line verification, and emergency interrupt service to the end user on at least the same level as that provided by the local exchange company. Call aggregators and IXCs shall not change or augment the dialing pattern of end users for <u>0+ local or 0-</u> such calls. <u>IXCs may only provide intraLATA toll services to end users</u> with whom they have a prior and ongoing relationship or who dial the appropriate access code, e.g., <u>950</u>, <u>800</u>, or <u>10XXX</u>.

(b) <u>Minor i</u>Interexchange companies are not required to provide service throughout their certificated service area, but must accept customers on a nondiscriminatory basis. Companies deemed major interexchange companies on December 31, 1994, are required to provide service in any exchange that is not equal access capable to all customers in that exchange making a request for service.

(c) Where only one interexchange carrier is available in a confinement facility, that interexchange carrier shall provide for completion of all inmate calls allowed by the confinement facility.

(d) certificate to provide interexchange service does not carry with it the authority to provide local exchange, shared tenant, alternative access, alternative local exchange, or pay telephone service. A separate application must be made for such authority.

Specific Authority: 350.127(2), F. S.

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Law Implemented: 364.03, 364.32, 364.33, 364.335, 364.337, 364.345, F.S.

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