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BEFORE THE  
FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

A) Application for Certificate of  
Authority to Provide Telecommunications Service.

DOCKET NO.	COMPANY NAME
20210186-TX	Open Infra East Inc.

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PROCEEDINGS: COMMISSION CONFERENCE AGENDA  
ITEM NO. 1 - CONSENT AGENDA

COMMISSIONERS  
PARTICIPATING: CHAIRMAN ANDREW GILES FAY  
COMMISSIONER ART GRAHAM  
COMMISSIONER GARY CLARK  
COMMISSIONER MIKE LA ROSA  
COMMISSIONER GABRIELLA PASSIDOMO

DATE: Tuesday, February 1, 2022

PLACE: Betty Easley Conference Center  
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Tallahassee, Florida

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## 1 P R O C E E D I N G S

2 CHAIRMAN FAY: All right. Good morning,  
3 everyone. It is 9:30. If you would like, you can  
4 please join us in an invocation and the Pledge by  
5 Commissioner Clark.

6 (Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.)

7 CHAIRMAN FAY: All right. Thank you,  
8 Commissioner Clark.

9 Before we go into the formal meeting, I just  
10 wanted to recognize our Executive Director briefly  
11 for some comments.

12 MR. BAEZ: Thank you, Mr. Chairman, and good  
13 morning, Commissioners.

14 I just wanted to take a moment to recognize  
15 the outstanding service of Ms. Cheryl  
16 Bulecza-Banks, who sadly is leaving us at the end  
17 of this month. She is one of so many over my time  
18 here that have, you know, walked out the door, and  
19 it's always a bittersweet moment. She is, among  
20 other things, one of the people that actually  
21 taught me what bit I know about any of this. So I  
22 owe her a personal debt of gratitude.

23 She first joined us in 1985, as I said, and  
24 she became an outstanding leader of the staff on  
25 natural gas utilities, as the industry was, I am

1           sorry, on natural gas, as the industry also  
2           transitioning to open access. She served as the  
3           chief of the Commission's gas bureau over the  
4           safety and economic matters of that industry.

5           And later she transitioned to the telecom  
6           sector, at the time -- at a time when the  
7           Commission was moving from traditional regulation  
8           to new responsibilities, like arbitration between  
9           carriers on rates and terms and the like,  
10          unbundling and resale and such. I still get PTSD  
11          saying unbundling and resale. I know many people  
12          do as well.

13          For all of her work up until then, she  
14          received the Gunter award in 2006, much deserved.  
15          And she later joined the Division of Accounting and  
16          Finance in 2006, finally becoming Assistant  
17          Director in 2010 up until now.

18          It doesn't end there for Cheryl, because she,  
19          for many years, was Chairman of the Staff  
20          Subcommittee at NARUC, the Staff Subcommittee on  
21          Accounting and Finance. Again, leading -- showing  
22          her leadership among her peers on a nation -- on a  
23          national basis. And I can attest to her leadership  
24          there personally after being cornered time and time  
25          again at annual meetings and such, and maybe you

1 all have too, members of the subcommittee begging  
2 and pleading to have her remain on the  
3 subcommittee. She was such a resource.

4 Unfortunately, she's unable to be here today  
5 with us. She has a some family leave issues that  
6 she's dealing with, but I did want to take a  
7 moment, and thank you again for letting me do so,  
8 to recognize her service. She will be sorely  
9 missed. There is a building full of professionals  
10 here who have learned from her, and benefited from  
11 her knowledge and her experience on the Commission  
12 over the years, and I count myself as one of those  
13 very lucky people.

14 So for her, Cheryl, if you are listening in, I  
15 doubt that you are, thank you from all of us. And  
16 thank you, Mr. Chairman, and thank you,  
17 Commissioners.

18 CHAIRMAN FAY: Great. Thank you.

19 With that, we will move into our official  
20 agenda meeting. Commissioners, we have Items 7 and  
21 8 that have been deferred without objection. We  
22 will show those deferred.

23 Item 6A has been withdrawn.

24 We will take up Items 4, 5, 6, 9 and 10 on the  
25 move staff list, and then Items 2 and 3 have been

1 moved for further discussion. We will take up Item  
2 2 last, as that may take some time.

3 First, we will move into the Consent Agenda  
4 item, which is an application for certificate to  
5 provide local telecommunication service by Open  
6 Infra East, Incorporated.

7 Commissioners, do I have a motion on that  
8 item?

9 COMMISSIONER GRAHAM: Mr. Chairman, I move  
10 staff recommendation on the Consent Agenda.

11 CHAIRMAN FAY: And a second?

12 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Second.

13 CHAIRMAN FAY: We have a motion and a second.  
14 With that, all in favor say aye.

15 (Chorus of ayes.)

16 CHAIRMAN FAY: All right. None opposed. That  
17 item is approved.

18 (Agenda item concluded.)

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