

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Resolution by City) DOCKET NO. 920642-TL
Council of Port Richey for) ORDER NO. PSC-92-1209-PCO-TL
extended area service between) ISSUED: 10/26/92
the Hudson exchange and Tarpon)
Springs, Clearwater, St.)
Petersburg, and Tampa exchanges;)
also between the New Port)
Richey and Clearwater, St.)
Petersburg and Tampa exchanges.)

ORDER GRANTING ADDITIONAL MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

By Order No. PSC-92-0822-PCO-TL, issued August 17, 1992, we directed GTE Florida Incorporated (GTEFL), BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company (Southern Bell), and United Telephone Company of Florida (United) to perform certain traffic studies. We ordered the companies to perform these traffic studies so that we could further evaluate Resolution No. 92-5 filed with this Commission by the City Council of the City of Port Richey and Resolution No. 92-233 filed by the Board of County Commissioners of Pasco County. These Resolutions requested that we consider requiring implementation of extended area service (EAS) between all exchanges in Pasco County and the St. Petersburg and Tampa exchanges. The companies were directed to prepare and submit the studies to us within 60 days of the issuance date of Order No. PSC-92-0822-PCO-TL, making the studies due by October 16, 1992.

On August 28, 1992, GTEFL filed a Motion for Extension of Time requesting an extension through and including November 16, 1992, in which to prepare and submit the required traffic studies. As grounds for its request, GTEFL stated that the Order requires preparation of substantial amounts of complex data that it does not customarily keep in the format required by the Order. In addition, a number of the routes to be studied are interLATA and will require coordination with AT&T of the Southern States, Inc. For these reasons, we found it appropriate to grant GTEFL an extension of time until the close of business on November 16, 1992, in which to prepare and submit the required traffic studies. This action is reflected in Order No. PSC-92-1056-PCO-TL, issued September 23, 1992.

On October 12, 1992, GTEFL filed a second Motion for Extension of Time requesting an extension through and including December 16, 1992, in which to prepare and submit the required traffic studies. As grounds for this second Motion, GTEFL states that two of the

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nine routes on which it must collect data encompass areas where extended calling service (ECS) plans have recently been implemented. Because there are no rules governing formatting of ECS data for EAS study purposes, GTEFL states it will attempt to stratify the ECS information in a manner comparable to that used for EAS results. Even so, because ECS was not implemented on the routes at issue (New Port Richey to Tampa North/Tampa West and Hudson to Tarpon Springs) until September 10, 1992, a full month of usage on these routes will not be available until November, 1992. Because of these additional complications, GTEFL has filed this second request for an extension of time. Although not all of the routes involved in the study present the same difficulties, GTEFL requests the extension for all nine routes because it would be less confusing to submit all of the data at one time.

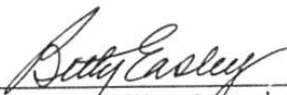
Upon consideration, I find it appropriate to grant GTEFL's Motion. Accordingly, GTEFL will be granted an extension of time until the close of business on December 16, 1992, in which to prepare and submit the required traffic studies.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by Commissioner Betty Easley, as Prehearing Officer, that the Motion for Extension of Time filed on October 12, 1992, by GTE Florida Incorporated is hereby granted. It is further

ORDERED that GTE Florida Incorporated shall file the required traffic study data on or before December 16, 1992.

By ORDER of Commissioner Betty Easley, as Prehearing Officer, this 26th day of October, 1992.



BETTY EASLEY, Commissioner
and Prehearing Officer

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

Any party adversely affected by this order, which is preliminary, procedural or intermediate in nature, may request: (1) reconsideration within 10 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.038(2), Florida Administrative Code, if issued by a Prehearing Officer; (2) reconsideration within 15 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code, if issued by the Commission; or (3) judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court, in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility, or the First District Court of Appeal, in the case of a water or wastewater utility. A motion for reconsideration shall be filed with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting, in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code. Judicial review of a preliminary, procedural or intermediate ruling or order is available if review of the final action will not provide an adequate remedy. Such review may be requested from the appropriate court, as described above, pursuant to Rule 9.100, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.