

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Complaint of Northeast Florida Telephone Company d/b/a NEFCOM against Southeastern Services, Inc. for alleged failure to pay intrastate access charges pursuant to NEFCOM's tariffs, and for alleged violation of Section 364.16(3)(a), F.S.

DOCKET NO. 060083-TP

In re: Referral by the Circuit Court of Baker County, Florida to determine whether or not Southeastern Services, Inc. is legally responsible for payment to Northeast Florida Telephone for originating intrastate access charges under Northeast Florida Telephone's Public Service Commission approved tariff for the long distance calls provided by Southeastern Services, Inc. as alleged in the Amended Complaint.

DOCKET NO. 060296-TP

ORDER NO. PSC-06-0687-PCO-TP

ISSUED: August 9, 2006

ORDER GRANTING UNOPPOSED JOINT MOTION  
FOR ABATEMENT AND CONTINUANCE

By Order No. PSC-06-0606-PCO-TP, issued July 12, 2006, controlling dates and hearing dates were established in this docket. On August 4, 2006, Southeastern Services, Inc. ("SSI") and Northeast Florida Telephone Company ("NEFCOM") (collectively "Movants"), filed their Unopposed Joint Motion for Abatement and Continuance.

In support of their Joint Motion, Movants state that holding this proceeding in abeyance will allow the Movants time to fulfill the terms and conditions of a recent Settlement Agreement. In addition, Movants state that upon fulfillment of the Settlement Agreement, but no later than October 9, 2006, NEFCOM will file a Notice of Voluntary Dismissal with Prejudice of its Amended Complaint in Docket No. 060083-TP, and Movants will collectively file a Joint Motion to Dismiss the Referral from the Circuit Court of Baker County in Docket No. 060296-TP.

Pursuant to Rule 28-106.305, Florida Administrative Code, a prehearing officer before whom a case is pending may issue any orders necessary to promote just, speedy, and inexpensive determination of all aspects of the case. It appears to be in the best interest to grant the Joint Motion because Movants indicate that they need additional time to fulfill the terms and conditions of their Settlement Agreement. Therefore, in an effort to reduce any unnecessary litigation or related expense, the Unopposed Joint Motion for Abatement and Continuance is granted.

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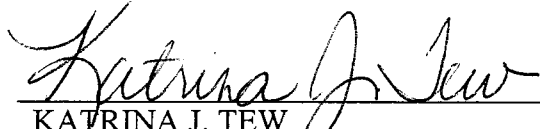
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Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by Commissioner Katrina J. Tew, as Prehearing Officer, that the Unopposed Joint Motion for Abatement and Continuance is granted.

By ORDER of Commissioner Katrina J. Tew, as Prehearing Officer, this 9th day of August, 2006.

  
KATRINA J. TEW  
Commissioner and Prehearing Officer

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NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.569(1), 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.

Mediation may be available on a case-by-case basis. If mediation is conducted, it does not affect a substantially interested person's right to a hearing.

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 25-22.0376, Florida Administrative Code; or (2) 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 the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services, 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.