

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Application for) DOCKET NO. 950069-TI
certificate to provide) ORDER NO. PSC-95-1335-FOF-TI
interexchange telecommunications) ISSUED: November 1, 1995
service by GTE Card Services)
Incorporated.)
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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 GRANTING CERTIFICATE TO PROVIDE
INTEREXCHANGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES

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 substantially affected files a petition for a formal proceeding, pursuant to Rule 25-22.029, Florida Administrative Code.

On January 13, 1995, GTE Card Services Incorporated (GTECS) filed an application for authority to offer prepaid calling card services. However, due to certain problems with its tariff and changes in Chapter 364, Florida Statutes, GTECS' application was not completed until September 11, 1995.

Under Section 364.337(3), Florida Statutes:

The commission shall grant a certificate of authority to provide intrastate interexchange telecommunications service upon a showing that the applicant has sufficient technical, financial, and managerial capability to provide such service in the geographic area proposed to be served.

According to information filed in support of its application, GTECS intends to rely on the network ownership, operation and management of its underlying carrier(s) - currently MCI. GTECS ensures a high reliability of call completion and prompt response

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to service problems, including a customer troubleshooting service twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week.

The financial information filed by GTECS indicates that it has sufficient financial resources to provide and maintain the proposed telecommunication service. Further, since GTECS is not requiring a deposit or an advance payment, there will be no customer-provided funds at risk.

Finally, GTECS' application also reflects sufficient expertise in telecommunications sales, marketing and service.

Upon consideration, it appears that GTECS has demonstrated the requisite technical, financial, and managerial capability to provide service in the geographic area proposed to be served. Its application for a certificate to provide interexchange telecommunications services is, therefore, approved.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that GTE Card Services Incorporated is hereby granted Certificate No. 4080, which shall authorize it to provide interexchange telecommunications services. It is further

ORDERED that this Order shall operate as GTE Card Services Incorporated's certificate. GTE Card Services Incorporated should retain this Order as evidence of its Certification. It is further

ORDERED that, unless a petition is filed in the form and by the date specified in the Notice of Further Proceedings or Judicial Review, this docket shall be closed.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 1st day of November, 1995.

BLANCA S. BAYÓ, Director
Division of Records and Reporting

by: Kay J. Jenson
Chief, Bureau of Records

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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.

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 November 22, 1995.

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.