

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Resolution of ) DOCKET NO. 950985-TP  
petition(s) to establish )  
nondiscriminatory rates, terms, ) FILED: FEBRUARY 20, 1996  
and conditions for )  
interconnection involving local )  
exchange companies and )  
alternative local exchange )  
companies pursuant to Section )  
364.162, Florida Statutes. )

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STAFF'S PREHEARING STATEMENT

Pursuant to Orders No. PSC-95-1084-PCO-TP, issued August 30, 1995, PSC-95-1421-PCO-TP, issued November 22, 1995, PSC-95-1585-PCO-TP, issued December 22, 1995, and PSC-96-0136-PCO-TP, issued January 31, 1996, the Staff of the Florida Public Service Commission files its Prehearing Statement.

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- A. All Known Witnesses: Staff does not intend to sponsor a witness at this time.
  
- B. All Known Exhibits: Staff has not yet identified a tentative list of exhibits which it intends to utilize in this proceeding. Staff will supply a tentative list of such exhibits at or prior to the Prehearing Conference.
  
- C. Staff's Statement of Basic Position:  
  
None pending discovery.
  
- D.-G. Staff's Position on the Issues:

For purposes of the following issues, ALECs refers to Continental Cablevision, Inc., Time Warner AxS of Florida, L.P. and Digital Media Partners, and Metropolitan Fiber Systems of Florida, Inc. LECs refers to United Telephone Company of Florida and Central Telephone Company of Florida (United/Centel collectively), and GTE Florida Incorporated (GTEFL).

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**ISSUE 1:** What are the appropriate rate structures, interconnection rates, or other compensation arrangements for the exchange of local and toll traffic between the respective ALECs and United/Centel and GTEFL?

**STAFF:** Interconnection compensation arrangements between the LECs and the respective ALECs should be consistent with the way the respective LECs interconnect and exchange local and toll traffic with other local exchange companies today.

**ISSUE 2:** If the Commission sets rates, terms, and conditions for interconnection between the respective ALECs and United/Centel and GTEFL, should United/Centel and GTEFL tariff the interconnection rate(s) or other arrangements?

**STAFF:** Yes.

**ISSUE 3:** What are the appropriate technical and financial arrangements which should govern interconnection between the respective ALECs and United/Centel and GTEFL for the delivery of calls originated and/or terminated from carriers not directly connected to the respective ALEC's network?

**STAFF:** No position at this time.

**ISSUE 4:** What are the appropriate technical and financial requirements for the exchange of intraLATA 800 traffic which originates from the respective ALEC's customer and terminates to an 800 number served by or through United/Centel and GTEFL?

**STAFF:** No position at this time.

**ISSUE 5a:** What are the appropriate technical arrangements for the interconnection of the respective ALEC's network to United/Centel and GTEFL's 911 provisioning network such that the respective ALEC's customers are ensured the same level of 911 service as they would receive as a customer of United/Centel or GTEFL?

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**STAFF:** The LECs should allow the respective ALECs to interconnect their networks at LEC 911 hub sites for participation in the State's emergency network. Interconnection should meet the LECs' technical guidelines and parameters to ensure network integrity.

**ISSUE 5b:** What procedures should be in place for the timely exchange and updating of the respective ALEC's customer information for inclusion in appropriate E911 databases?

**STAFF:** The respective ALECs should provide the appropriate customer information, as per the respective LEC's guidelines, for inclusion into the E911 database. The LECs should incorporate this information into the database within 24 hours of receipt.

**ISSUE 6:** What are the appropriate technical and financial requirements for operator handled traffic flowing between the respective ALECs and United/Centel and GTEFL including busy line verification and emergency interrupt services?

**STAFF:** The technical requirements for traffic exchange between the respective ALECs and the respective LEC's operator services provider should be equivalent to those requirements and arrangements between the respective LEC and other operator services providers. Busy line verification and emergency interrupt service should be purchased under tariff or contract.

**ISSUE 7:** What are the appropriate arrangements for the provision of directory assistance services and data between the respective ALECs and United/Centel and GTEFL?

**STAFF:** The respective ALEC's customers should be listed in the respective LEC's directory assistance database; however, staff has no position at this time regarding the terms and conditions.

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**ISSUE 8:** Under what terms and conditions should United/Centel and GTEFL be required to list the respective ALEC's customers in its white and yellow pages directories and to publish and distribute these directories to the respective ALEC's customers?

**STAFF:** The LECs should list the respective ALEC's customers in their respective universal white and yellow page directories; however, staff has no position regarding the terms and conditions.

**ISSUE 9:** What are the appropriate arrangements for the provision of billing and collection services between the respective ALECs and United/Centel and GTEFL, including billing and clearing credit card, collect, third party and audiotext calls?

**STAFF:** No position at this time.

**ISSUE 10:** What arrangements are necessary to ensure the provision of CLASS/LASS services between the respective ALECs and United/Centel and GTEFL's networks?

**STAFF:** No position at this time.

**ISSUE 11:** What are the appropriate arrangements for physical interconnection between the respective ALECs and United/Centel and GTEFL, including trunking and signalling arrangements?

**STAFF:** Interconnection should be provided at the tandem and end office levels.

**ISSUE 12:** To the extent not addressed in the number portability docket, Docket No. 950737-TP, what are the appropriate financial and operational arrangements for interexchange calls terminated to a number that has been "ported" to the respective ALECs?

**STAFF:** The carrier that ultimately terminates an interexchange call should be able to collect access charges from the IXC. The terminating carrier should also be liable for

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any transport and switching costs of the intermediary carrier.

**ISSUE 13:** What arrangements, if any, are necessary to address other operational issues?

**STAFF:** No position at this time.

**ISSUE 14:** What arrangements, if any, are appropriate for the assignment of NXX codes to the respective ALECs?

**STAFF:** No position at this time.


H. Stipulation

Staff is not aware of any issues that have been stipulated at this time.

I. Pending Motions:

Staff has no pending motions at this time.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

  
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