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Public Service Commission

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Sheriff Ted Glass
Levy County Sheriff's Office

Re: Inmate telephone service provided by InVision Telecom, Inc.

Dear Sheriff Glass:

I understand from our conversation that the Levy County Jail is experiencing a problem due to a change in the way that telephone service is being provided. I understand that InVision Telecom, Inc. (InVision), currently provides telephone service for inmate use at the Levy County Jail. Under Rule 25-24.515(7), Florida Administrative Code, pay telephone providers such as InVision are prohibited from handling operator assisted local and intraLATA toll calls. These calls are required to be routed to the local exchange company (BellSouth).

InVision recently filed a petition with the Commission, asking that it be granted an exemption to Rule 25-24.515(7) so that it could handle operator assisted local and intraLATA calls from confinement facilities (Docket No. 960407-TC). During the course of its investigation the Commission staff learned that InVision was already handling this traffic from several confinement facilities in Florida, in apparent violation of the Rule. The company was instructed to immediately begin routing the traffic to the local exchange company until staff could take the matter before the Commission for a decision on whether the petition should be granted. Such petitions can usually be brought before the Commission without delay. However, in this case, staff was delayed by having to open another docket (Docket No. 960665-TC) to determine the appropriate compensation that InVision should pay to the local exchange companies for any loss of the revenues the companies experienced as a result of not handling the 0+ local and intraLATA traffic.

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We will make every effort to bring this matter before the Commission for a vote as soon as possible. Meanwhile, should you have any questions, please contact me at 904/413-6594.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kathryn Dyal Lewis', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Kathryn Dyal Lewis
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cc: Michael Billmeier, LEG
Docket File 960407-TC

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