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Via Hand Delivery

Blanca S. Bayó, Director Records and Reporting Florida Public Service Commission 4075 Esplanade Way, Room 110 Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Re: FPSC Docket Nos. 970676-TL and 970809-TP

Dear Ms Bayó:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of St. Joseph Telephone & Telegraph Company, The Florala Telephone Company, Inc. And Gulf Telephone Company (the "Operating Companies") in Docket Nos. 970676-TL and 970809-TP is a list of newspapers in which the Operating Companies caused to be published a legal notice of the Operating Companies' intent to file a petition to consolidate the Operating Companies. Upon discussion with the Staff, it is the understanding of the Operating Companies that this letter will suffice in lieu of proof of publication from each of the newspapers.

Please contact me if you have any questions regarding this transmittal or if the Commission requires proof of publication.

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Legal Notice Publications For Petition to Consolidate St. Joseph Telephone & Telegraph Company, The Florala Telephone Company, Inc. And Gulf Telephone Company

Newspaper	Location	Print Dates
TACO Times	Perry, FL	6/4 & 6/11/97
Madison County Carrier	Madison, FL	6/4 & 6/11/97
Enterprise Recorder	Madison, FL	6/6 & 6/13/97
Monticello News	Monticello, FL	6/4 & 6/6/97
Tallahassee Democrat	Tallahassee, FL	6/5 & 6/6/97
Jackson County Floridian	Marianna, FL	6/5 & 6/6/97
Panama City News Herald	Panama City, FL	6/5 & 6/6/97
Twin City News	Chattahoochee, FL	6/5 & 6/12/97
Apalachicola Times	Apalachicola, FL	6/5 & 6/12/97
Liberty Journal	Bristol, FL	6/4 & 6/11/97
The Star	Port St. Joe, FL	6/5 & 6/12/97
The County Record	Blountstown, FL	6/5 & 6/12/97
DeFunaik Springs Herald-Breeze	DeFuniak Springs, FL	6/5 & 6/12/97
Northwest Florida Daily News	Ft. Walton Beach, FL	6/5 & 6/6/97
Pensacola News Journal	Pensacola, FI	6/5 & 6/6/97

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