

VOTE SHEET

SEPTEMBER 9, 1997

RE: DOCKET NO. 970977-TI - Cancellation by Florida Public Service Commission of Interexchange Telecommunications Certificate No. 4090 issued to Northwest Communications, Inc. for violation of Rule 25-4.0161, F.A.C., Regulatory Assessment Fees.

Issue 1: Should the Commission impose a \$500 fine or cancel Northwest's Interexchange Telecommunications Certificate No. 4090 for apparent violation of Rule 25-4.0161, Florida Administrative Code, Regulatory Assessment Fees?

Recommendation: Yes. The Commission should impose a \$500 fine or cancel the company's certificate if the fine and the regulatory assessment fees, including statutory penalties and interest, are not received by the Commission within 5 business days after the conclusion of the 21-day protest period. The fine should be paid to the Florida Public Service Commission and forwarded to the Office of the Comptroller for deposit in the State General Revenue Fund pursuant to Section 364.285(1), Florida Statutes. If the Commission's Order is not protested and the fine and the regulatory assessment fees, including statutory penalties and interest, are not received, certificate number 4090 should be canceled.

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COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: Full Commission

COMMISSIONERS' SIGNATURES

MAJORITY

DISSENTING

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REMARKS/DISSENTING COMMENTS:

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Issue 2: Should the Commission order all certificated interexchange companies (IXCs) to discontinue providing interexchange telecommunications service to Northwest pursuant to Rule 25-24.4701(3), Florida Administrative Code, if certificate number 4090 is canceled?

Recommendation: Yes. Pursuant to Rule 25-24.4701(3), Florida Administrative Code, the Commission should order all certificated interexchange companies to discontinue providing interexchange telecommunications service to Northwest if Northwest's certificate is canceled at the conclusion of the protest period for failure to submit the delinquent regulatory assessment fees, and pay the fines as required in Issue 1. The Order should state that any IXC providing service to Northwest must contact the Commission at the conclusion of the protest period as set forth in the Order to determine whether the certificate has been canceled.

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Issue 3: Should this docket be closed?

Recommendation: If no person whose substantial interests are affected files a protest within 21 days of the issuance date of the Order, the Order will become final. Upon payment of the fines and fees, or cancellation of the certificate, this docket should be closed.

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