

VOTE SHEET

July 18, 2006

Docket No. 060300-TL – Petition for recovery of intrastate costs and expenses relating to repair, restoration and replacement of facilities damaged by Hurricane Dennis, by GTC, Inc. d/b/a GT Com.

Issue 1: What amount of intrastate costs and expenses did GT Com incur relating to repairing, restoring, or replacing the lines, plants, or facilities damaged by Hurricane Dennis?

Recommendation: Staff believes that the amount of intrastate costs and expenses GT Com incurred relating to repairing, restoring, or replacing the lines, plants, or facilities damaged by Hurricane Dennis is \$312,693.

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COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: All Commissioners

COMMISSIONERS' SIGNATURES

MAJORITY

DISSENTING

Katrina G. Lewis

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Tommy Weaver

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REMARKS/DISSENTING COMMENTS:

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Issue 2: Are the costs and expenses identified in Issue No. 1 reasonable under the circumstances for Hurricane Dennis?

Recommendation: No. Staff has identified five categories of costs it believes GT Com should not recover through a storm charge assessment as these costs are not reasonable under the circumstances. Costs that should not be recovered through the storm cost recovery mechanism include: Overhead, Benefits, In-House Labor, Alligator Point Fiber Upgrade, and Capital Assets. The dollar amounts associated with these adjustments are discussed in Issue 3 that addresses the appropriate dollar amount to be recovered pursuant to Section 364.051(4), Florida Statutes.

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Additionally, the order will encompass the discussion at the conference concerning the term "recover."

Issue 3: What is the appropriate amount of intrastate costs and expenses related to damage caused by Hurricane Dennis that should be recovered pursuant to Section 364.051(4), Florida Statutes?

Recommendation: Staff believes that the appropriate amount of intrastate costs and expenses related to damage caused by Hurricane Dennis that should be recovered pursuant to Section 364.051(4), Florida Statutes, is \$4,950 which includes \$987 in unreimbursed storm cost and \$3,963 in carrying costs.

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Issue 4: What is the appropriate line item charge per access line, if any, that should be charged to the customers of GT Com for recovery of the amount identified in Issue 3?

Recommendation: Staff recommends that GT Com assess a one-time per access line surcharge of \$0.11. This amount is derived by taking staff's recommended recovery amount of \$4,950 and dividing this amount 46,861 access lines.

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with addition of "may" between "GT com" and "assess."

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Issue 5: If a line item charge is approved in Issue 4, on what date should the charge become effective and on what date should the charge end?

Recommendation: Staff recommends that if a charge is approved in Issue 4, the charge may be assessed at GT Com's earliest convenience, but no earlier than 30 days from the date of the Commission vote. As this is a one-time charge, there is no need to establish an assessment period. GT Com should provide staff the wording to be used on its bills regarding the storm charge prior to issuance.

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Issue 6: Should the docket be closed?

Recommendation: If the Commission finds recovery to be inappropriate, then this docket should be closed. However, if the Commission finds recovery on the part of GT Com to be appropriate, this docket should remain open for a period of time to allow the Commission to verify the collected amount does not exceed the amount authorized.

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