

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

NOTICE OF STAFF WORKSHOP

TO

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS

UNDOCKETED

IN RE: CLEC INTRASTATE ACCESS CHARGES

ISSUED: June 17, 2008

NOTICE is hereby given that the Staff of the Florida Public Service Commission will conduct a workshop, to which all persons are invited, at the following time and place:

9:30 a.m., Wednesday, July, 16, 2008  
Room 140, Betty Easley Conference Center  
4075 Esplanade Way  
Tallahassee, Florida

PURPOSE

The purpose of this workshop is to discuss CLEC intrastate access charges. Parties are encouraged to and should be prepared to address, in any presentations or comments, the following questions on CLEC intrastate access charges:

1. What are the key factors that CLECs consider when determining how to set their access charge rates?
2. Are the access rates being charged by Florida's CLECs cost-based?
3. Should Florida's CLECs be allowed to set their intrastate access charge rates at any level they choose? Should their cost to provide access service be considered?
4. Are Florida consumers harmed by CLECs charging access rates that are in excess of those charged by the ILEC in the area in which they compete? Are there other adverse effects?

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5. Is the market for the access service structured in a way that allows competitive pressures to effectively constrain access prices? Why or why not?
6. Do market forces applicable to originating switched access differ from the market forces for terminating switched access? If so, how?
7. Under what conditions, if any, can a carrier decline to terminate its traffic to another carrier?
8. On what basis can it be determined if CLEC access rates are just and reasonable?
9. If it is determined that CLEC access charges are not just and reasonable, does the Commission have authority to act to remedy this situation?
10. Should the Commission establish caps on the intrastate access rates that CLECs can charge? If so, how should caps be determined?
11. What would be the impact on Florida CLECs if this Commission were to cap CLEC access rates at the rates of the incumbent LEC in the area in which they serve?
12. If the Commission opts to constrain allowable CLEC access rates through some means other than rate caps, what options are available?

All participants are requested to file an outline of their presentation, the approximate amount of time for the presentation, and the presenter's name with the Commission's Office of Commission Clerk, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850, by July 9, 2008. If you wish to comment but cannot attend the workshop, please file your comments with the Office of Commission Clerk, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, on or before July 9, 2008, specifically referencing CLEC intrastate access charges workshop.

Participants unable to attend in person can join the meeting through audio conference by dialing 1-888-808-6959 and dialing conference code 4136206.

#### JURISDICTION

Jurisdiction is vested in this Commission pursuant to Chapter 364, Florida Statutes. The workshop will be governed by the provisions of that Chapter, Chapter 120 and Chapters 25-4, 25-24, 25-22 and 28-106, Florida Administrative Code.

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EMERGENCY CANCELLATION OF WORKSHOP

If a named storm or other disaster requires cancellation of this workshop, Commission staff will attempt to give timely direct notice. Notice of cancellation will also be provided on the Commission's website (<http://www.psc.state.fl.us/>) under the Hot Topics link found on the home page. Cancellation can also be confirmed by calling the Office of the General Counsel at 850-413-6199.

VISUAL AIDS

Workshop participants who plan to use visual aids during the course of their presentation, such as PowerPoint, must provide an electronic copy and 21 hard copies of the presentation, at least three days prior to the workshop, to TIMISHA BROOKS, who may be contacted at (850) 413-6212 or [tbrooks@psc.state.fl.us](mailto:tbrooks@psc.state.fl.us).

Any person requiring some accommodation at this hearing because of a physical impairment should call the Office of Commission Clerk at (850) 413-6770, at least 48 hours prior to the hearing. Any person who is hearing or speech impaired should contact the Florida Public Service Commission by using the Florida Relay Service, which can be reached at 1-800-955-8771 (TDD).

By DIRECTION of the Florida Public Service Commission this 17th day of June, 2008.



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Commission Clerk

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Opening Remarks by FPSC Staff

Discussion of Issues

Adjourn

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THIS MEETING IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.**