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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Bankruptcy cancellation of CLEC Certificate No. 8867 issued to Discount CLEC Services Corporation.

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The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

ANDREW GILES FAY, Chairman ART GRAHAM GARY F. CLARK MIKE LA ROSA GABRIELLA PASSIDOMO

NOTICE OF PROPOSED AGENCY ACTION
ORDER CANCELLING COMPETITIVE LOCAL EXCHANGE
TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANY CERTIFICATE
AND SERVICE SCHEDULE DUE TO BANKRUPTCY
ON THE COMMISSION'S OWN MOTION

BY THE COMMISSION:

NOTICE is hereby given by the Florida Public Service Commission that the action discussed herein is preliminary in nature and will become final unless a person whose interests are substantially affected files a petition for a formal proceeding, pursuant to Rule 25-22.029, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.).

Case Background

This order addresses a telecommunications company with an active certificate of authority that has completed Chapter 7 bankruptcy proceedings. In a Chapter 7 bankruptcy proceeding, the company stops all operations and goes completely out of business.¹

Pursuant to Section 364.335(2), Florida Statutes (F.S.), applicants for certificates of authority must ". . . ensure continued compliance with applicable business formation, registration, and taxation provisions of law." A liquidated company would be unable to comply with these requirements.

¹ U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, "Bankruptcy: What Happens When Public Companies Go Bankrupt," modified January 19, 2016, https://www.sec.gov/reportspubs/investor-publications/investor-pubsbankrupthtm.html, accessed August 11, 2023.