

## BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Tariff proposal by UNITED	)	DOCKET NO. 890487-TL
TELEPHONE COMPANY OF FLORIDA to	)	
introduce a limited service offering	)	ORDER NO. 21561
for Automatic Meter Reading	)	
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The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

MICHAEL McK. WILSON, Chairman  
 THOMAS M. BEARD  
 BETTY EASLEY  
 GERALD L. GUNTER  
 JOHN T. HERNDON

ORDER APPROVING TARIFF FILING

BY THE COMMISSION:

By Order No. 17669 (the Order), issued June 5, 1987, we granted Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company (Bell) the authority to introduce Limited Service Offerings (LSOs), which are ancillary services to be provided on a trial basis in order to carry out market testing in specified geographical areas. Bell was directed to file a separate tariff revision to its General Subscriber Service Tariff for each such offering that it wished to introduce. By Order No. 18034, issued August 24, 1987, we approved Bell's first LSO, the Jacksonville LATA Residence Feature Package.

On March 31, 1989 United Telephone Company of Florida (United) filed a tariff proposal seeking authority to introduce its first LSO, which would offer Automatic Meter Reading (AMR). AMR would provide a utility with the capability to read its meters over telephone lines by using equipment located at the utility and United's offices as well as at the customers' premises.

Upon review, we find that United's proposal complies with our requirements for a proper LSO as established in Order No. 17669. In accordance with our notice requirements, United's newly-introduced LSO will become effective on 45 days' notice. Any change in the rates will become effective on 30 days' notice. The test period for AMR will not exceed 1 year during which time United will file periodic reports with us every 3 months. United will also comply with the six conditions listed in the Order.

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Finally, the Order requires an LSO to meet the requirements for regular tariff filings. In accordance, United has submitted sufficient information to satisfy Rule 25-4.034, Florida Administrative Code. AMR has been comprehensively described and is only being offered to the City of Cape Coral's Water Department. United has provided us with AMR's rates and charges as well as a list of four terms and conditions which govern the service.

We wish to encourage local exchange companies to seek additional revenues by developing new services. United has complied with the requirements of the Order, and we therefore find it appropriate to authorize United to establish AMR as an LSO.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that United Telephone Company of Florida's tariff proposal to introduce Automatic Meter Reading as a Limited Service Offering is hereby approved. It is further

ORDERED that this docket will remain open for one year whereupon United Telephone Company of Florida shall either request that this offering become permanent or be discontinued.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission,  
this 17th day of July, 1989.

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STEVE TRIBBLE, Director  
Division of Records and Reporting

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by: Kay Flynn  
Chief, Bureau of Records

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NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.59(4), Florida Statutes, to notify parties of any administrative hearing or judicial review of Commission orders that is available under Sections 120.57 or 120.68, Florida Statutes, as well as the procedures and time limits that apply. This notice should not be construed to mean all requests for an administrative hearing or judicial review will be granted or result in the relief sought.

Any party adversely affected by the Commission's final action in this matter may request: 1) reconsideration of the decision by filing a motion for reconsideration with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting within fifteen (15) days of the issuance of this order in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code; or 2) judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility or the First District Court of Appeal in the case of a water or sewer utility by filing a notice of appeal with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting and filing a copy of the notice of appeal and the filing fee with the appropriate court. This filing must be completed within thirty (30) days after the issuance of this order, pursuant to Rule 9.110, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure. The notice of appeal must be in the form specified in Rule 9.900(a), Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.