

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Proposed tariff to charge)	DOCKET NO. 900538-TL
for local call verification and)	
emergency interrupt by CENTRAL)	ORDER NO. 23408
TELEPHONE COMPANY OF FLORIDA)	
_____)	DATE 8-27-90

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

MICHAEL McK. WILSON, Chairman
 THOMAS M. BEARD
 BETTY EASLEY
 GERALD L. GUNTER
 FRANK S. MESSERSMITH

ORDER APPROVING TARIFF

BY THE COMMISSION:

On June 1, 1990, Central Telephone Company of Florida (Centel or the Company), filed a tariff proposal introducing a charge for providing local call verification and emergency interrupt service.

Currently, Centel customers can request the operator to verify and provide the line status condition of a local subscriber line. The operator may also furnish emergency interrupt service when the verification request shows the line is busy and the subscriber requests that the line be cleared.

The Company already charges for these services on an intraLATA basis. However, with approval of this tariff, the cost causer, rather than the general body of ratepayers will pay for the services. Centel seeks to initiate charges of \$.35 for each verification request and an additional \$.40 for each emergency interrupt request. Thus, a subscriber requesting emergency interrupt of a line would incur total charges of \$.75, reflecting a \$.35 verification request and a \$.40 emergency interrupt charge. But, no charge will be incurred if the subscriber identifies the call as being from or to certain government agencies such as the local and state police, the fire department, and certain licensed hospitals. Also, no verification charge will be applied if the line the subscriber seeks to reach is out of order.

Centel's cost data indicates that the proposed rates will cover the cost of providing the service along with appropriate contribution.

Centel states that an additional \$103,113 in annual revenues will be generated if this tariff is approved. This revenue effect

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will be reflected in Centel's rate case, Docket No. 891246-TL, which is currently in progress.

We believe it is appropriate to assign the cost of local verification and emergency interrupt request to those who use the service rather than the general body of ratepayers.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that the tariff filing by Central Telephone Company of Florida introducing a charge for providing local call verification and emergency interrupt is hereby approved. It is further

ORDERED that the increase in annual revenues resulting from approval of this filing shall be included in Central Telephone Company of Florida's pending rate case, Docket No. 891246-TL. It is further

ORDERED that this docket be closed.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 27th day of August, 1990.



STEVE TRIBBLE, Director
Division of Records and Reporting

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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

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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.