

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition of CENTRAL TELEPHONE COMPANY OF FLORIDA for a rate increase)	DOCKET NO. 891246-TL
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In re: Petition of SOUTHERN BELL TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY for rate stabilization and implementation orders and other relief)	DOCKET NO. 880069-TL
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In re: Resolution by GADSDEN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS for extended area service between Gadsden County and Tallahassee)	DOCKET NO. 890292-TL
)	ORDER NO. 25362
)	ISSUED: 11/19/91

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

THOMAS M. BEARD, Chairman
 SUSAN F. CLARK
 J. TERRY DEASON
 BETTY EASLEY
 MICHAEL MCK. WILSON

ORDER GRANTING EXTENSION OF TIME TO
 IMPLEMENT PORTION OF MTS RATE REDUCTION

BY THE COMMISSION:

By Order No. 24985, issued August 28, 1991, we directed Central Telephone Company of Florida (Centel or the Company) to reduce its message toll service (MTS) rates and to change the discounts. The Order requires these changes to be made effective September 1, 1991.

On September 20, 1991, Centel filed a Motion for Extension of Time (Motion). In its Motion, Centel asks to be granted an extension of time until January 1, 1992, to implement a portion of this reduction involving operator assisted intraLATA toll calls originating at its Kingsley Lake, Lawtey, and Starke exchanges.

Currently, this service is performed under contract by Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company (Southern Bell). Southern Bell, by letter dated September 4, 1991, advised Centel that it would be unable to comply with the September 1, 1991, implementation date due to data processing capacity constraints. As a result, Centel is unable to implement the required reductions for customers in these three exchanges.

Centel is presently in the process of upgrading its own data processing system and expects it to be completed by January 1, 1992. At that time, Centel will be able to rate and handle

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intraLATA operator calls originating within the Kingsley Lake, Lawtey, and Starke exchanges itself.

Having considered the circumstances surrounding this request, we find it appropriate to grant the requested extension of time until January 1, 1992. The Company indicates that the total revenue impact will be less than \$400 per month, which is a very small portion of the required reductions. Although our primary concern is the revenue impact on the affected customers, we find Centel's request to be reasonable, given the facts involved.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that the Motion for Extension of Time filed by Central Telephone Company of Florida on September 20, 1991, is hereby granted until January 1, 1992. It is further

ORDERED that Dockets Nos. 890292-TL and 891246-TL are hereby closed. It is further

ORDERED that Docket No. 880069-TL shall remain open.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 19th day of NOVEMBER, 1991.



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

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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.