

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Request for approval of ) DOCKET NO. 951284-TL  
tariff filing to align ) ORDER NO. PSC-95-1540-FOF-TL  
nonrecurring charges for Foreign ) ISSUED: December 13, 1995  
Exchange Service with Private )  
Line Services by United )  
Telephone Company of Florida. )  
(T-95-619 filed 9/26/95) )  
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The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

SUSAN F. CLARK, Chairman  
J. TERRY DEASON  
JOE GARCIA  
JULIA L. JOHNSON  
DIANE K. KIESLING

ORDER APPROVING TARIFF TO ALIGN NONRECURRING CHARGES  
FOR FOREIGN EXCHANGE SERVICE WITH PRIVATE LINE SERVICES

BY THE COMMISSION:

On September 26, 1995 United Telephone Company of Florida (United) filed proposed revisions to its General Exchange Tariff in order to align its nonrecurring charges for foreign exchange (FX) service with those of its private line services. In addition, the tariff includes revisions to clarify language for extension line service.

FX service allows a customer to receive service from an exchange other than the one in which that customer is physically located. FX service is provided via a dedicated line which runs between a central office in the foreign exchange and the customer's serving central office. This is very similar to a private line. The monthly recurring charges for local channels and interoffice channels are the same for FX service and private line service. Only the nonrecurring charges are different.

United proposes to decrease the nonrecurring charge for the first FX local channel from \$435 to \$270, decrease the nonrecurring charge for each additional channel from \$149 to \$87, and increase the FX interoffice nonrecurring charge from \$85 to \$87. United states that this would more closely align similar services.

United also proposes to clarify tariff language regarding its extension line service. Extension line service is an extension of the main access line provided between different buildings on the

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same premises or between buildings on different premises. The charges for this service are not explicitly stated in the extension line service section. Instead, the section references the private line service section by stating that the extension line charges are "set forth in Section A20, paragraph B.4." The problem with this reference is that paragraph B.4 contains several rates, so it is not clear exactly which rate applies. In order to make it more clear, United proposes to change the reference language to read "the rates are applicable as set forth in Section A20.B.4(2)(a), Type 2231, Voice Grade, Local Channel."

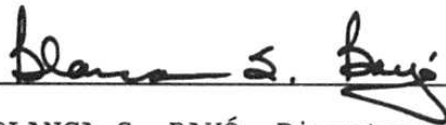
Upon consideration, we believe that United's proposed revisions to FX service charges are appropriate, because similarly provided services should be similarly priced. We also believe that the proposed revisions to United's extension line service tariff are appropriate because it makes it clear exactly what rate a customer will be charged for the service. These tariffs are, therefore, approved, effective November 25, 1995.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that United Telephone Company of Florida's proposed tariff to revise its charges for foreign exchange service and to revise the language regarding extension line service charges is approved, effective November 25, 1995. It is further

ORDERED that if a protest is filed in the form and by the date specified in the Notice of Further Proceedings or Judicial Review, this tariff shall remain in effect, with any increase in revenues held subject to refund pending resolution of the protest. If no timely protest is filed, this docket shall be closed.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 13th day of December, 1995.



BLANCA S. BAYÓ, 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 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.

The Commission's decision on this tariff is interim in nature and will become final, unless a person whose substantial interests are affected by the action proposed files a petition for a formal proceeding, as provided by Rule 25-22.036(4), Florida Administrative Code, in the form provided by Rule 25-22.036(7)(a)(d) and (e), Florida Administrative Code. This petition must be received by the Director, Division of Records and Reporting, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, by the close of business on January 3, 1996.

In the absence of such a petition, this order shall become final on the day subsequent to the above date.

Any objection or protest filed in this docket before the issuance date of this Order is considered abandoned unless it satisfies the foregoing conditions and is renewed within the specified protest period.

If this Order becomes final on the date described above, any party adversely affected may request judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility or by the First District Court of Appeal in the case of a water or wastewater 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 of the date this Order becomes final, 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.