

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Request for approval of) DOCKET NO. 960661-TL
tariff filing to introduce two) ORDER NO. PSC-96-0872-FOF-TL
new calling features, Call) ISSUED: July 2, 1996
Forward Busy and Call Forward No)
Answer, by St. Joseph Telephone)
& Telegraph Company. (T-96-410,)
filed 5/17/96))
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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

BY THE COMMISSION:

On May 17, 1996, St. Joseph Telephone & Telegraph Company (St. Joe) filed proposed tariff revisions to add two custom calling features, Call Forward Busy and Call Forward No Answer, and to delete two features, Automatic Wake-Up and Do Not Disturb.

Call Forward Busy allows the customer to forward calls only when a busy signal is encountered. This service is controlled by the end user. The customer selects and enters the designated forward-to number and activates or deactivates the service by entering the appropriate code.

Call Forward No Answer allows the customer to forward calls after a specified number of rings. The customer enters the number of rings desired (2-9), followed by the forward-to number. To deactivate this service, the customer enters a deactivation code.

Call Forward Busy and Call Forward No Answer features are inherent in the St. Joe's generic switch upgrade. Therefore, there are no additional costs to provide the new services. Because these are new service offerings, St. Joe does not have any revenue projections.

St. Joe proposes to offer these services at a rate of \$2.00 per month for each. These rates are comparable to the rates

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charged by other small local exchange companies for similar services.

St. Joe also proposes to eliminate Automatic Wake-Up and Do Not Disturb from its tariff. These custom calling features are available in the Blountstown exchange only and are not available with the switch upgrade. Currently, there are no subscribers to either service.

Upon consideration, we find it appropriate to approve the proposed tariff revisions, effective June 16, 1996.

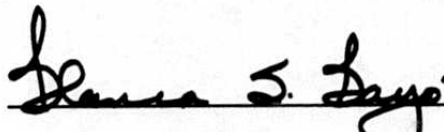
It is, therefore,

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that St. Joseph Telephone & Telegraph Company's proposed tariff to introduce Call Forward Busy and Call Forward No Answer, and to eliminate Automatic Wake-Up and Do Not Disturb, is approved, effective June 16, 1996. It is further

ORDERED that, unless a protest is filed in the form and by the date specified in the Notice of Further Proceedings or Judicial Review, this docket shall be closed. It is further

ORDERED that, if a valid protest is filed, this tariff shall remain in effect, with any revenues collected thereunder held subject to refund, pending the resolution of the protest.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 2nd day of July, 1996.



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 July 23, 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.