

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Request for approval of
transfer of control of Peoples
Telephone Company, Inc. to Davel
Communications Group, Inc.

DOCKET NO. 981457-TP
ORDER NO. PSC-98-1743-FOF-TP
ISSUED: December 21, 1998

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of
this matter:

JULIA L. JOHNSON, Chairman
J. TERRY DEASON
SUSAN F. CLARK
JOE GARCIA
E. LEON JACOBS, JR.

NOTICE OF PROPOSED AGENCY ACTION
ORDER APPROVING TRANSFER OF CONTROL

BY THE COMMISSION:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the Florida Public Service Commission that the action discussed herein is preliminary in nature and will become final unless a person whose interests are substantially affected files a petition for a formal proceeding, pursuant to Rule 25-22.029, Florida Administrative Code.

Section 364.33, Florida Statutes, provides that a person may not acquire ownership or control of any telecommunications facility, or any extension thereof for the purpose of providing telecommunications services to the public, including the acquisition, transfer, or assignment of majority organizational control or controlling stock ownership, without prior approval from this Commission.

By letter dated October 1, 1998, Davel Communications Group, Inc. (Davel Communications) and Peoples Telephone Company, Inc. (Peoples Telephone) filed with this Commission an application for approval of the transfer of control of Peoples Telephone to Davel Communications. Peoples Telephone is the holder of Interexchange Telecommunications Certificate No. 2995 and Pay Telephone Certificate No. 84. Peoples Telephone has stated that it will continue to operate under its existing certificated name and tariffs on file with this Commission.

DOCUMENT NUMBER-DATE

14314 DEC 21 98

REGISTRATION REPORTING

ORDER NO. PSC-98-1743-FOF-TP
DOCKET NO. 981457-TP
PAGE 2

We determine that Davel Communications and Peoples Telephone have met the requirements of Section 364.33, Florida Statutes. Accordingly, we find that the transfer is in the public interest, and we approve it pursuant to Section 364.33, Florida Statutes.

Based on the foregoing, it is,

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that Davel Communications Group, Inc. and Peoples Telephone Company, Inc.'s request for approval of the transfer of control of Peoples Telephone Company, Inc. to Davel Communications Group, Inc. is hereby approved. It is further

ORDERED that the provisions of this Order, issued as proposed agency action, shall become final and effective unless an appropriate petition, in the form provided by Rule 28-106.201, Florida Administrative Code, is received by the Director, Division of Records and Reporting, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, by the close of business on the date set forth in the "Notice of Further Proceedings or Judicial Review" attached hereto. It is further

ORDERED that in the event this Order becomes final, this Docket shall be closed.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 21st day of December, 1998.

BLANCA S. BAYÓ, Director
Division of Records and Reporting

By: Kay Flynn
Kay Flynn, Chief
Bureau of Records

(S E A L)

KMP

NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.569(1), 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.

Mediation may be available on a case-by-case basis. If mediation is conducted, it does not affect a substantially interested person's right to a hearing.

The action proposed herein is preliminary in nature. Any person whose substantial interests are affected by the action proposed by this order may file a petition for a formal proceeding, in the form provided by Rule 28-106.201, 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 11, 1999.

In the absence of such a petition, this order shall become effective 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 and effective on the date described above, any party substantially 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 effective date 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.