

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Cancellation by Florida
Public Service Commission of Pay
Telephone Certificate No. 4368
issued to James M. Bracewell
d/b/a Southern Tele-
Communications for violation of
Rule 25-4.0161, F.A.C.,
Regulatory Assessment Fees;
Telecommunications Companies.

DOCKET NO. 981273-TC
ORDER NO. PSC-99-0340-AS-TC
ISSUED: February 19, 1999

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of
this matter:

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

ORDER APPROVING SETTLEMENT

BY THE COMMISSION:

James M Bracewell d/b/a Southern Tele-Communications (Southern
Tele-Communications) currently holds Certificate of Public
Convenience and Necessity No. 4368, issued by the Commission on
January 6, 1996, authorizing the provision of pay telephone
service.

Under Section 364.336, Florida Statutes, certificate holders
must pay a minimum annual regulatory assessment fees (RAF) of \$50
if the certificate was active during any portion of the calendar
year. Pursuant to Rule 25-4.0161(2), Florida Administrative Code,
the form and applicable fees are due to the Florida Public Service
Commission by January 30 of the subsequent year. All entities that
apply for certification receive a copy of our rules governing pay
telephone service and an affidavit in which the applicants attest
that the rules have been received and understood by the applicant.
This affidavit must be attached to the application in order for the
application to be processed.

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The Division of Administration advised our staff by memorandum that Southern Tele-Communications had not paid the RAFs required by Section 364.336, Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-4.0161, Florida Administrative Code, for the year 1997, nor statutory penalties and interest charges for late RAFs payments for the year 1997. The RAFs form was mailed to Southern Tele-Communications for the period of January 1, 1997, through December 31, 1997. Our correspondence regarding the RAFs was signed for and delivered to Southern Tele-Communications on December 16, 1997.

After this docket was opened, our staff received a call from Mr. Bracewell. He stated that the company would pay all the past due charges and would propose a settlement offer. Southern Tele-Communications paid all the past due 1997 RAFs, statutory penalties and interest charges, and submitted a settlement offer. Southern Tele-Communications agreed to pay future regulatory assessment fees in a timely manner, and contribute \$500, to be paid in 10 equal installments of \$50 per month, to the State General Revenue Fund.

We believe that the terms of the settlement agreement represent a fair and reasonable resolution of this matter. Accordingly, we hereby accept the settlement offer. The contribution of 10 equal installments of \$50 per month should be received by the Commission by the 28th of each month until the balance of \$500 is paid in full. The first \$50 installment should be received by the Commission by March 28, 1999. The contribution will be forwarded to the Office of the Comptroller for deposit in the State General Revenue Fund pursuant to Section 364.285(1), Florida Statutes. Upon remittance of the full balance of the \$500 contribution, this docket shall be closed.

Based on the foregoing, it is


ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that James M. Bracewell d/b/a Southern Tele-Communications' settlement proposal summarized in the body of this Order is hereby approved. It is further

ORDERED that this docket shall remain open pending receipt of the full balance of the \$500 contribution. The contribution will be transmitted to the Comptroller for deposit in the State of Florida General Revenue Fund. It is further

ORDERED that upon receipt of the full balance of the \$500 contribution, this docket shall be closed.

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By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this 19th
day of February, 1999.



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 120.569(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.

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, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, 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 and/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 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.