

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Initiation of show cause proceedings against GTE Florida Incorporated for apparent violation of service standards.

DOCKET NO. 991376-TL
ORDER NO. PSC-00-1121-PCO-TL
ISSUED: June 20, 2000

ORDER MODIFYING FILING DATES ESTABLISHED IN
ORDER NUMBER PSC-00-0686-PCO-TL

On September 10, 1999, a docket was established to initiate show cause proceedings against GTE Florida Incorporated (GTE) for its apparent violations of service standards. On September 17, 1999, the Office of Public Counsel (OPC) filed a Notice of Intervention that was acknowledged by Order No. PSC-99-2494-PCO-TL, issued December 20, 1999. Pursuant to the Order Establishing Procedure, Order No. PSC-00-0686-PCO-TL, issued April 12, 2000, this matter has been scheduled for an administrative hearing on August 17, 2000. The Order Establishing Procedure required that GTE's direct testimony and exhibits be filed by June 1, 2000, and that staff and intervenor surrebuttal testimony be filed by June 30, 2000. It also required that Prehearing Statements be filed by July 17, 2000.

By Joint Motion for Modification of Filing Dates, filed May 18, 2000, OPC and GTE requested that the filing date for GTE direct testimony and, also, the date for Surrebuttal of staff and intervenor, be extended for two weeks. Petitioners assert that the requested extension would be in the best interest of resolving the issues in the case.

Upon consideration, it appears reasonable and appropriate to extend the referenced filing dates even beyond that requested by Petitioners. Accordingly, the filing date set in Order No. PSC-00-0686-PCO-TL for GTE's direct testimony is postponed to July 12, 2000. The Order Establishing Procedure also set filing dates for Staff and Intervenor Surrebuttal testimony, and for Prehearing Statements from all parties. Finding it reasonable and appropriate to postpone GTE's direct testimony filing date, it also appears appropriate to modify the filing date for Staff and Intervenor Surrebuttal testimony, and for prehearing Statements. Therefore, the filing dates established in Order No. PSC-00-0686-PCO-TL are modified as follows:

- 1) Rebuttal testimony and exhibits - July 12, 2000
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- 2) Surrebuttal testimony and exhibits, July 26, 2000
if any - Staff and Intervenor
- 3) Prehearing Statements July 26, 2000


This Order does not alter the other controlling dates, prehearing date, and hearing date established by Order No. PSC-00-0686-PCO-TL.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by Chairman Joe Garcia, as Prehearing Officer, that the Joint Motion for Modification of Filing Dates is hereby granted and that the filing dates for Company rebuttal testimony, and Staff and Intervenor Surrebuttal testimony established in Order No. PSC-00-0686-PCO-TL are modified as established in the body of this Order. It is further

ORDERED that Order No. PSC-00-0686-PCO-TL, is reaffirmed in all other respects.

By ORDER of Chairman Joe Garcia, as Prehearing Officer, this 20th day of June, 2000.



JOE GARCIA
Chairman and Prehearing Officer

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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.

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