

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Investigation into the establishment of operations support systems permanent performance measures for incumbent local exchange telecommunications companies.

DOCKET NO. 000121-TP  
ORDER NO. PSC-00-1669-PCO-TP  
ISSUED: September 18, 2000

ORDER GRANTING INTERVENTION

BY THE COMMISSION:

By Petition, Z-Tel Communications, Inc. (Z-Tel) has requested permission to intervene in this proceeding. Z-Tel offers integrated local, long distance and enhanced services packages to residential consumers in Georgia, Massachusetts, New York, Pennsylvania and Texas. Z-Tel states that it plans to offer a similar bundle of services in Florida. In providing the local component of its service offerings, Z-Tel indicates that it relies on unbundled network elements (UNEs) purchased from incumbent local exchange carriers (ILECs), and must provision those UNEs through the use of the ILECs' operations support systems. Thus, Z-Tel states that its rights and interests may be substantially affected by any decision in this case.

Having reviewed the Petition, it appears that Z-Tel's substantial interests may be affected by this proceeding. As a company planning to offer local service in Florida, Z-Tel indicates that it will have to utilize the operations support systems of ILECs to provide local exchange service. Thus, Z-Tel has sufficiently demonstrated that its substantial interests may be affected by the outcome of this proceeding. Pursuant to Rule 25-22.039, Florida Administrative Code, Z-Tel takes the case as it finds it.

Therefore, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that the Petition to Intervene filed by Z-Tel Communications, Inc. is hereby granted. It is Further

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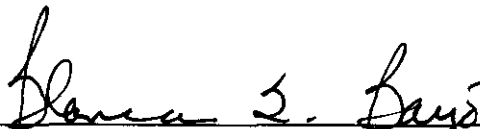
ORDERED that all parties to this proceeding shall furnish copies of all testimony, exhibits, pleadings and other documents which may hereinafter be filed in this proceeding, to:

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By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this 18th  
day of September, 2000.

  
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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.

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.

Any party adversely affected by this order, which is preliminary, procedural or intermediate in nature, may request: (1) reconsideration within 10 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.0376, Florida Administrative Code, if issued by a Prehearing Officer; (2) reconsideration within 15 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code, if issued by the Commission; or (3) 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 or wastewater utility. A motion for reconsideration shall be filed with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting, in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code. Judicial review of a preliminary, procedural or intermediate ruling or order is available if review of the final action will not provide an adequate remedy. Such review may be requested from the appropriate court, as described above, pursuant to Rule 9.100, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.