

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition by Verizon
Florida Inc. for approval of
adoption of interconnection
agreement between Verizon and
Gulf Coast Communications, Inc.
by CCCFL, Inc. d/b/a Connect!

DOCKET NO. 010322-TP
ORDER NO. PSC-01-1117-FOF-TP
ISSUED: May 15, 2001

ORDER APPROVING ADOPTION OF INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT

BY THE COMMISSION:

On March 13, 2001, Verizon Florida Inc. (Verizon Florida) and CCCFL, Inc. d/b/a Connect! (Connect!) filed a notice of adoption in its entirety of the interconnection agreement entered into and between Verizon Florida and Gulf Coast Communications, Inc., pursuant to 47 U.S.C. §252(i) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the Act). This agreement was approved by the Commission by Order No. PSC-00-1342-FOF-TP, issued on July 26, 2000, and is incorporated by reference herein. A copy of the agreement may be obtained by contacting our Division of Records and Reporting.

The Act encourages parties to enter into negotiated agreements. Under the requirements of 47 U.S.C. § 252(e), negotiated agreements must be submitted to the state commission for approval. Section 252(i) requires that a local exchange carrier shall make available any interconnection, service, or network element provided under an agreement approved by the state commission to any other requesting telecommunications carrier upon the same terms and conditions as those provided in the agreement in its entirety. Further, Section 252(e)(4) requires the state to reject or approve the agreement within 90 days after submission or it shall be deemed approved.

The adoption of this agreement shall be effective on the date of issuance of this Order and will expire on the date specified in the agreement. This agreement governs the relationship between the companies regarding local interconnection and the exchange of traffic pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 251. Under 47 U.S.C. § 252(a)(1), the agreement shall include a detailed schedule of itemized charges

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for interconnection and each service or network element included in the agreement.

Upon review of the proposed adoption, we find that it complies with the Act; thus, we hereby approve it. Verizon Florida and Connect! are also required to file any subsequent supplements or modifications to this agreement with the Commission for review under the provisions of 47 U.S.C. § 252(e).

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that Verizon Florida Inc. and CCCFL, Inc. d/b/a Connect!'s adoption in its entirety of Verizon Florida Inc. and Gulf Coast Communications, Inc.'s interconnection agreement, incorporated by reference in this Order, is hereby approved. A copy of the agreement may be obtained as specified in the body of this Order. It is further.

ORDERED that any supplements or modifications to this agreement must be filed with the Commission for review under the provisions of 47 U.S.C. § 252(e). It is further

ORDERED that this docket is hereby closed.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 15th day of May, 2001.

BLANCA S. BAYÓ, Director
Division of Records and Reporting

By: Kay Flynn
Kay Flynn, Chief
Bureau of Records

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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 in Federal district court pursuant to the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996, 47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(6).