

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Request for approval of ) DOCKET NO. 940251-TL  
tariff filing to increase ) ORDER NO. PSC-94-0513-FOF-TL  
employee concessions by CENTRAL ) ISSUED: April 28, 1994  
TELEPHONE COMPANY OF FLORIDA (T- )  
96-106 )  
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The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

J. TERRY DEASON, Chairman  
SUSAN F. CLARK  
JULIA L. JOHNSON  
DIANE K. KIESLING  
LUIS J. LAUREDO

**ORDER APPROVING TARIFF FILING  
TO INCREASE EMPLOYEE CONCESSIONS**

BY THE COMMISSION:

On March, 9, 1993 Centel Corporation, the parent corporation of the Central Telephone Company of Florida was merged into Sprint, the parent of United Telephone Company of Florida. Both United Telephone Company of Florida and Central Telephone Company of Florida currently maintain tariffs on file with the Florida Public Service Commission.

Central Telephone Company of Florida (Central or the Company) filed proposed tariff revisions on February 23, 1994. Central proposes to change the amount of official and salaried employee concessions from fifty (50) percent to one-hundred (100) percent for one residence access line charge with Touch Calling service. This discount only applies to officials and salaried employees which the company has employed for six (6) months or more. Union employees, whose fringe benefits are determined by their labor contract, are unaffected by this filing.

Section 364.08 (2), Florida Statutes states: "A telecommunications company subject to this chapter may not, directly or indirectly, give any free or reduced service between points within this state. However, it shall be lawful for the commission to authorize employee concessions if in the public interest."

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Upon, consideration we believe Central's proposal to change the amount of official and salaried employee concessions from fifty (50) percent to one-hundred (100) percent is in the public interest. Free or discounted telephone services, offered as part of a fringe benefit package, are designed to attract and retain qualified employees. Moreover, this proposal is similar to employee concessions offered by other Florida local exchange companies.

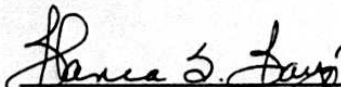
It is, therefore,

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that the proposed tariff filed by Central Telephone Company of Florida (Central or the Company) to change the amount of official and salaried employee concessions from fifty (50) percent to one-hundred (100) percent is approved, with an effective date of April 24, 1994. It is further

ORDERED that, unless a person whose interests are substantially affected by the tariff approved herein files a petition in the form and by the date specified in the Notice of Further Proceedings or Judicial Review, this Order shall become final and this docket shall be closed on the following date. It is further

ORDERED that, if a protest is filed on or before the date set forth in the Notice of Further Proceedings or Judicial Review, this tariff shall remain in effect, with any increase held subject to refund pending the resolution of the protest.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this 28th day of April, 1994.

  
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BLANCA S. BAYO 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 120.59(4), 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.

The Commission's decision on this tariff is interim in nature and will become final, unless a person whose substantial interests are affected by the action proposed files a petition for a formal proceeding, as provided by Rule 25-22.036(4), Florida Administrative Code, in the form provided by Rule 25-22.036(7)(a)(d) and (e), Florida Administrative Code. This petition must be received by the Director, Division of Records and Reporting at his office at 101 East Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0870, by the close of business on May 19, 1994.

In the absence of such a petition, this order shall become final 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 on the date described above, any party adversely 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 date this Order becomes final, 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.