

FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

VOTE SHEET

AUGUST 18, 1997

RE: DOCKET NO. 970990-FL - Proposed tariff filing by GTE Florida Incorporated to transfer a portion of the Sarasota exchange into the Bradenton exchange.

Issue 1: Should GTE's tariff request to transfer a portion of the Sarasota exchange (Lakewood Ranch area) into the Bradenton exchange be approved?

Recommendation: Not at this time. The 26 business customers and 29 residential customers located in the Lakewood ranch area of the Sarasota exchange should be surveyed to determine if they are in favor of moving into the Bradenton exchange with a decrease in rates, a telephone number change, and a reduction in calling scope.

GTE's information notice, survey letter, and ballot should be approved, since they sufficiently advise customers that their rates will decrease, telephone numbers will change, and their local calling scope will be reduced if they are moved to the Bradenton exchange. The notice should be mailed one day after the order from this recommendation is issued. If no protest is received within 21 days of issuance of the order, the survey letter and ballot should be mailed no later than 45 days from the date the order from this recommendation becomes final.

In order for the survey to pass, at least 50 percent of the customers balloted must respond, and of those responding at least 60 percent must be in favor of the boundary change.

APPROVED

COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: Full Commission

COMMISSIONERS' SIGNATURES

MAJORITY

DISSENTING

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REMARKS/DISSENTING COMMENTS:

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Issue 2: Should this docket be closed?

Recommendation: No. If Issue 1 is approved, this docket should remain open pending the outcome of the subscriber survey.

**APPROVED**