

FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

VOTE SHEET

MAY 19, 1998

RE: DOCKET NO. 980459-TP - Flow-through of 1998 LEC switched access reductions by IXC's, pursuant to Section 364.163(6), F.S.

Issue 1: Which LECs are required to file tariffs for these switched access reductions?

Recommendation: GTE Florida Incorporated (GTE Florida) and Sprint-Florida, Incorporated (Sprint-Florida) should be required to file tariffs since they are the only LECs that meet the access line qualification outlined in Section 364.163(6), Florida Statutes.


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COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: Full Commission


COMMISSIONERS' SIGNATURES

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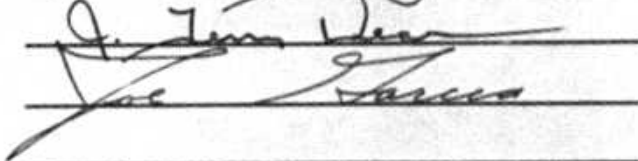
DISSENTING



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Issue 2: How should the switched access rate reductions be calculated and what supporting documentation should be provided as part of the tariff filings?

Recommendation: The rate reductions should be calculated using the same methodology that the LEC used to calculate its intrastate composite switched access rate as provided in its October 1, 1996 and October 1, 1997, filings, pursuant to the 1995 revisions to Section 364.163(6), Florida Statutes (Order No. PSC-96-1265-FOF-TP, issued October 8, 1996, Order No. PSC-97-0604-FOF-TP, issued May 27, 1997, and Order No. PSC-97-1028-FOF-TP, issued August 27, 1997).

The tariff filings should also include a demonstration that the LEC's intrastate switched access rate reductions satisfy the requirements of Section 364.163(6), Florida Statutes, as well as the annualized revenue effects. The LECs should describe how they calculated the annualized revenue effects. A sample spreadsheet is attached to staff's memorandum dated May 7, 1998 (Attachment A).

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Issue 3: Which IXCs should be required to file tariffs to flow through GTE Florida's and Sprint-Florida's switched access reductions, and what should be included in these tariff filings?

Recommendation: All IXCs, including facilities-based and reseller IXCs, certificated by the FPSC which purchase switched access from GTE Florida or Sprint-Florida, should be required to file tariffs total Florida

IXCs which paid \$20 million or more in intrastate switched access charges in 1997 should include with their tariff filing: 1) a calculation of the dollar benefit associated with the LECs' intrastate switched access rate reductions; 2) separate demonstrations that residence and business long distance rates have been reduced and the estimated annualized revenue effect, residence versus business, including a description of how those estimates were made; 3) a demonstration that any reduction to intraLATA toll rates is equal to or less than the switched access rate reduction percentage; and 4) a demonstration that all reductions have been flowed through. A sample worksheet, which differs from the 1997 sample worksheet, is attached to staff's May 7, 1998 memorandum (Attachment B).

IXCs which paid less than \$20 million in intrastate switched access charges in 1997 should include with their tariff filing a letter

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certifying that they paid less than \$20 million in intrastate switched access charges in 1997, and that they have complied with each of the above flow-through requirements as required in Section 364.163(6), Florida Statutes.

Any IXC whose intrastate switched access expense reduction is \$100 or less per month is not obligated to flow-through its reduction, but should so certify in a letter to staff.

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Approved with noted modifications

Issue 4: When should the LECs and the IXCs file their tariffs for the July 1, 1998 and October 1, 1998 effective dates?

Recommendation: The LECs should be required to file their tariffs and supporting documentation for the first 1998 reduction no later than June 9, 1998, to be effective July 1, 1998. They should be required to file their tariffs and supporting documentation for the second 1998 reduction no later than September 1, 1998, to be effective October 1, 1998.

The IXCs should be required to file their tariffs and supporting documentation for the first 1998 reduction no later than June 30, 1998, to be effective July 1, 1998. They should be required to file their tariffs and supporting documentation for the second 1998 reduction no later than September 30, 1998, to be effective October 1, 1998.

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Issue 5: Should this docket be closed?

Recommendation: No. This docket should remain open to handle any protests filed in response to the order from this recommendation and any subsequent tariff filings necessary to ensure compliance with Section 364.163(6), Florida Statutes, for the year 1998. If a protest is filed within 21 days from issuance of the order from this recommendation, and the protest is unresolved, the tariffs should be filed as ordered. Those tariffs, filed in response to Section 364.163(6), Florida Statutes, which are effective July 1, 1998 and October 1, 1998, should go into and remain in effect pending resolution of any protest. Once the LEC reductions and the IXCs' flow-throughs are complete for 1998, this docket should be closed administratively.

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