

# Public Service Commission

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DATE: July 30, 1998  
 TO: DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/TECHNICAL (BANE)  
 FROM: DIVISION OF APPEAL, (CALDWELL) *CM*  
 DIVISION OF COMMUNICATIONS (KENNEDY, SHELPER) *SH*  
 DIVISION OF RESEARCH AND REGULATORY REVIEW (HEWITT) *CRH CMV*  
 RE: DOCKET NO. 951560-TI - PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO RULES RELATING TO PAY TELEPHONES

On July 23, 1998, Staff filed a recommendation for the Commission to propose certain amendments relating to pay telephones. Included in those amendments was a provision that gives companies the option of not providing directories at the pay stations if they do not charge for directory assistance. This provision was added after the Statement of Estimated Regulatory Cost (SERC) was completed. After Staff had agreed to recommend the additional provision, the Division of Research and Regulatory Review determined that additional information was needed.

Because the SERC needs to match the rules proposed, and

ACK \_\_\_\_\_ Research will not have the information until August 8th, Staff  
 AFA \_\_\_\_\_  
 APP \_\_\_\_\_ requests the item to be deferred for two weeks until August 18th in  
 CAF \_\_\_\_\_ order to bring the SERC up to date. Thank you for your  
 CMU \_\_\_\_\_ consideration in this matter. Please do not hesitate to call if  
 CTR \_\_\_\_\_  
 EAG \_\_\_\_\_ you have any questions.  
 LEG \_\_\_\_\_ Attachment  
 LIN \_\_\_\_\_  
 GPC \_\_\_\_\_ cc: Communications (Shelper, Kennedy)  
 RCH \_\_\_\_\_ Research and Regulatory Review (Hewitt)  
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From: Craig Hewitt  
To: Diana Caldwell  
Subject: Payphone rules  
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-----NOTE-----7/27/98--3:27pm--  
CC: Dan Hoppe, Patti Daniel

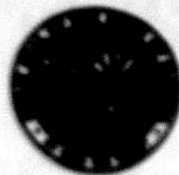
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After further discussion with Dan and Patti, we decided that an Agenda Conference deferral would be best, so that we may receive any regulatory cost input from the industry on the last minute amendment.

Thanks for your consideration.

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STATE OF FLORIDA

Commissioners:  
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DANIEL M. HOPPE, DIRECTOR  
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**Public Service Commission**

**MEMORANDUM**

July 24, 1998

**TO:** Local Exchange Telecommunications Companies  
Selected Pay Telephone Providers  
Other Interested Parties  
(Specific addressees on attached list)

**FROM:** Daniel M. Hoppe, Director, Research and Regulatory Review *DMH*  
Walter D'Haseleer, Director, Communications *WDH*

**SUBJECT:** Docket No. 951560-TP - Proposed Amendments to Rule 25-4.003, F.A.C., Definitions; Rule 25-4.0345, F.A.C., Customer Premises Equipment and Inside Wire; Rule 25-4.475, F.A.C., Company Operations; Rules Incorporated; Rule 25-24.505, F.A.C., Scope; Rule 25-24.511, F.A.C., Application for Certificate; Rule 25-24.515, F.A.C., Pay Telephone Service; Rule 25-24.516, F.A.C., Pay Telephone Rate Caps; Rule 25-24.520, F.A.C., Reporting Requirements; and Repeal of Rule 25-4.076, F.A.C., Pay Telephone Service Provided By Local Exchange Companies.

A data request was sent April 7, 1998, concerning the proposed rule amendments. Since that time, an additional proposed subsection (b) was added to Rule 25-24.515(16), F.A.C. The proposed subsection (b) gives companies an option to provide directory assistance at no charge in lieu of (16)(a) which requires a white and yellow page directory:

(b) Pay telephone stations that provide directory assistance at no charge are exempt from the provisions in (16)(a). A notice must appear on the placard if directory assistance at no charge is being provided.

In order for commission staff to assess the regulatory costs of proposed subsection (16)(b), please respond to the attached data request. To ensure that your response will be included in the analysis, please respond by August 8, 1998. Small local exchange companies as defined in Section 364.052(1), Florida Statutes, may respond at their own discretion. If you have questions about the additional proposed rule amendments please call Rick Moses at (850) 413-6582. If you have questions about this data request, please call Craig Hewitt at (850) 413-6848.

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**DATA REQUEST ON ADDITIONAL PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO  
RULE 25-34.915(16), F.A.C., PAY TELEPHONE SERVICE**

**DATE DATA REQUEST DUE: August 8, 1998**

**LOCAL EXCHANGE COMPANIES**

Alltel Florida, Inc. - Mr. Richard Brashear  
BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. - Ms. Nancy H. Sims  
Frontier Communications of the South - Ms. Laurie A. Maffett  
GT Comm - Mr. Bill Thomas  
GTE Florida Incorporated - Ms. Beverly Y. Menard  
Indiantown Telephone System, Inc. - Mr. Robert M. Post, Jr.  
Northeast Florida Telephone Company, Inc. - Ms. Lynne G. Brewer  
Sprint-Florida Incorporated - Mr. F. B (Ben) Poag  
TDS TELECOM/Quincy Telephone Company - Mr. Tom McCabe  
Vista-United Telecommunications - Ms. Lynn B. Hall

**SELECTED PAY TELEPHONE COMPANIES**

Adtec Communications, Inc. - Mr. David Hill  
American Global Telcom, Inc. - Mr. Robert L. Weaver  
BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. - Mr. James B. Hawkins  
Coin-Tel, Inc. - Mr. Michael Albanese  
CoinTel Communications, Inc. - Ms. Maria Hicks Caluda  
Commercial Telephone's Inc. - Mr. Jack Stewart  
Communications Central, Inc. - Mr. Barry Selvidge  
Corrections Communications, Inc. - Mr. Paul Nix  
Daily Telecommunications - Mr. Arthur W. Daily  
E-Z Phone, Inc. - Mr. Hector Gasca  
Elcotel, Inc. - Mr. Hugh Durden  
First American Telecommunications Corporation - Mr. Goran Dragoslavic  
Florida Pay Phone Systems, Inc. - Mr. Michael B. Withers  
Florida Pay Phone Services, Inc. - Mr. Howard Mack  
Leasorte Enterprises, Inc. - Mr. Victor Bertolina  
Peoples Telephone Company, Inc. - Mr. Randel Carr  
PhoneTel Technologies, Inc. - Ms. Tammy L. Martin  
Public Telecomm Providers, Inc. - Mr. Alfred J. Koontz, III  
Reliable Telephone Company - Mr. Randy Newton  
Southeast Payphones, Inc. - Mr. Dennis G. Sabia  
Southeastern Telephone Service - Mr. Eric H. Simon  
Southern Tel, Inc. - Mr. James D. Blyth  
Sprint Communications Company Limited Partnership - Mr. Tony H. Key  
Sprint Payphone Services, Inc. - Mr. Dave Roseman

Sprint-Florida, Inc. - Mr. Charles J. Rehwinke  
Sun Tel North American, Inc. - Mr. Harold Blumenfeld  
Suncoast Payphone Company - Mr. Robert J. Byrns  
Talton Telecommunications Corporation - Mr. Julius Talton, Jr.  
Teleleasing Enterprises, Inc. - Mr. Theodore C. Rammelkamp  
Telephone Operating Systems, Inc. - Mr. Robert C. Dickhaus  
The Fone Connection of Tampa Bay, Inc. - Mr. Allan Mezrah  
Trinity Holding Ltd., Inc. - Ms. Colleen Katranis  
Unique Paytelephone Company - Mr. Daniel W. Whitney

#### **OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES**

Florida Public Telecommunications Association, Inc. - Ms. Angela Green  
Florida Department of Corrections - Mr. Todd Brooks

**DATA REQUEST ON ADDITIONAL PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO  
RULE 25-24.515(16), F.A.C., PAY TELEPHONE SERVICE**

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name, title, and telephone number of  
company official responding to request:

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PLEASE RETURN NO LATER THAN AUGUST 8, 1998, TO:

**CRAIG B. HEWITT**  
Division of Research and Regulatory Review  
Florida Public Service Commission  
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0872

FAX No. (850) 413-6849  
ATTN: CRAIG B. HEWITT

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The additional proposed subsection (b) to Rule 25-24.515(16) gives companies an option to provide directory assistance at no charge in lieu of (16)(a) which requires a white and yellow page directory:

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**INSTRUCTIONS**

*In answering the following questions, please consider the following:*

- *Be as specific and accurate as possible in identifying costs or savings which would occur from implementation of each of the proposed rule amendments.*
- *Detail the assumptions and basis for each cost or savings estimate associated with each of the proposed rule amendments.*
- *In identifying additional types of expense/revenue increases or decreases, be specific as to the types of expenses/revenues (for example, labor costs, administrative costs, other operating revenues).*
- *Identify whether these expense/revenue increases or decreases would occur only in the initial year of implementation or if they would recur in subsequent years.*

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1. Please identify and estimate costs to comply with the additional proposed rule amendment, including all potential transactional costs or impacts. For purposes of this question, "transactional costs" should include direct costs that are readily ascertainable based upon standard business practices. These costs may include filing fees, costs of obtaining a license, the cost of equipment required to be installed or used or procedures required to be employed in complying with the rule, operating costs incurred, and the costs of monitoring and reporting.
2. Please identify and estimate benefits from the additional proposed rule amendment.
3. Please provide any alternative method of accomplishing the purpose of the additional proposed rule amendment. Include the estimated costs of each alternative. If a modification of the proposed rule is suggested, please also include any related expenses/savings.
4. Please provide additional comments or cost estimates that may be useful to the Commission or its staff in assessing the economic impacts of the additional proposed rule amendment.
5. Please advise whether your company meets the definition of a small business per Section 288.703(1), Florida Statutes.

"Small business" means an independently owned and operated business concern that employs 100 or fewer permanent full-time employees and that, together with its affiliates, has a net worth of not more than \$3 million and an average net income after federal income taxes, excluding any carryover losses, for the preceding 2 years of not more than \$2 million. As applicable to sole proprietorships, the \$3 million net worth requirement shall include both personal and business investments.

6. If responding on behalf of a state, county, or city government, please provide an estimate of the impact the additional proposed rule amendment would have on state or local revenues.
7. If responding on behalf of an association, please describe your membership. For example, approximately how many of your members hold certificates to provide telecommunications services in Florida and what types of telecommunications services do your members provide or plan to provide?