

FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

VOTE SHEET

NOVEMBER 17, 1998

RE: DOCKET NO. 981252-TP - Joint petition for approval of merger of GTE Corporation (holder of LEC Cert. 31 and PATS Cert. 4962 in the name GTE Florida Incorporated, ALEC Cert. 4819 and IXC Cert. 4080 in the name GTE Communications Corporation, and IXC Cert. 4079 in the name GTE Telecommunications Services Incorporated) and Bell Atlantic Corporation (holder of IXC Cert. 4714 in the name NYNEX Long Distance Company d/b/a Bell Atlantic Long Distance and IXC Cert. 4438 in the name Bell Atlantic Communications, Inc.), whereby GTE will become a wholly-owned subsidiary of Bell Atlantic.

Issue 1: Should the joint petition for approval of the merger of GTE Corporation (holder of LEC Cert. 31 and Pats Cert. 4962 in the name GTE Florida Incorporated; ALEC Cert. 4819 and IXC Cert. 4080 in the name GTE Communications Corporation, and IXC Certificate No. 4079 in the name GTE Telecommunications Services Incorporated) and Bell Atlantic Corporation (holder of IXC Cert. 4714 in the name NYNEX Long Distance Company d/b/a Bell Atlantic Long Distance and IXC Cert. 4438 in the name Bell Atlantic Communications, Inc.) be approved?

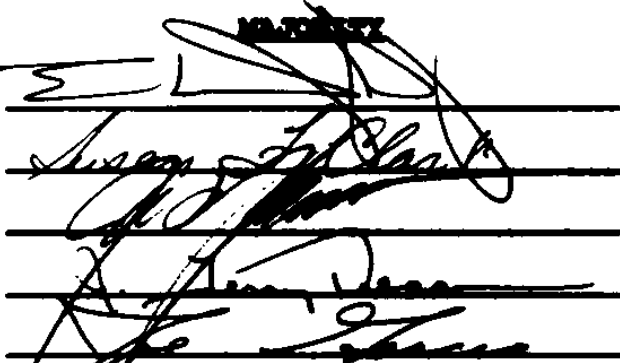
Recommendation: Yes.

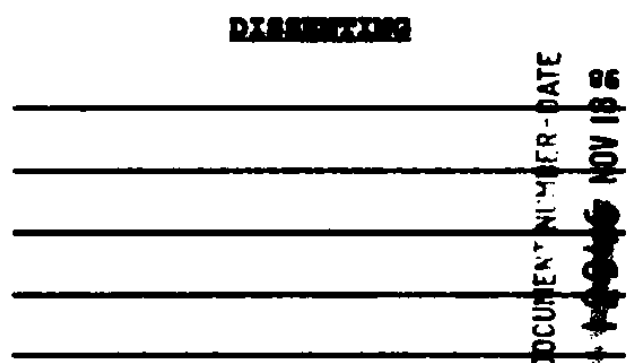
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(Approval of this merger does not preclude the FPSC from making comments to the appropriate federal agency)

COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: Full Commission

COMMISSIONERS' SIGNATURES

MAJORITY


DISSENTING


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FPSC - RECORDS/REPORTING

ABSENCE/DISSENTING COMMENTS:

Commissioner Garcia participated in the Agenda Conference via video teleconference and ~~disented~~ in the vote. He will sign the vote sheet upon his return to Tallahassee.

agreed

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Issue 2: Should this docket be closed?

Recommendation: Yes. This docket should be closed if no person whose substantial interests are affected by the Commission's proposed agency action files a protest within 21 days of issuance of the order.

APPROVED