

FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

VOTE SHEET

MARCH 28, 2000

RE: DOCKET NO. 960598-TP - Request for submission of proposal for provision of relay service, beginning in June 1997, for the hearing and speech impaired, and other implementation matters in compliance with the Florida Telecommunications Access System Act of 1991.

Issue 1: Should the Commission collect liquidated damages from MCI in the amount of \$770,000 for failure to meet the answer time requirements of its contract, and \$225,000 for failure to meet the blockage requirements, from June 1, 1998, through December 31, 1999?

Recommendation: ~~Yes~~. The Commission should require MCI to pay liquidated damages for answer time failures by crediting the Florida Telecommunications Relay Inc. (FTRI) account \$770,000 for failure to meet the answer time requirements of the contract, ~~and \$225,000 for failure to meet the blockage standard, for a total of \$995,000.~~ Liquidated damages should not be collected relating to blockage. The liquidated damages should be credited to relay bills beginning with the FTRI bill for March, 2000.

**MODIFIED**

*Period for liquidated damages for failure to meet answer time requirements will begin with initiation date of contract - June 1, 1997 - with damages in the amount of \$1,285,000 to be collected.*

COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: Full Commission

COMMISSIONERS' SIGNATURES

MAJORITY

DISSENTING

*Hot. John*  
*Susan J. Clark*  
*Joe [unclear]*  
*J. [unclear]*

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Issue 2: Should this docket be closed?

Recommendation: No.

**APPROVED**