

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition by Rhythms Links
Inc. for expedited arbitration
award implementing line sharing
with GTE Florida Incorporated.

DOCKET NO. 000500-TP

In re: Petition by Rhythms Links
Inc. for expedited arbitration
award implementing line sharing
with BellSouth
Telecommunications, Inc.

DOCKET NO. 000501-TP
ORDER NO. PSC-00-1340-FOF-TP
ISSUED: July 26, 2000

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of
this matter:

J. TERRY DEASON, Chairman
SUSAN F. CLARK
LILA A. JABER

ORDER ACKNOWLEDGING NOTICES OF WITHDRAWAL OF
PETITIONS FOR ARBITRATION

BY THE COMMISSION:

On April 26, 2000, Rhythms Links Inc. (Rhythms) filed
petitions for expedited arbitration awards implementing line
sharing with GTE Florida Incorporated (GTEFL) and BellSouth
Telecommunications, Inc. (BST), pursuant to the Telecommunications
Act of 1996. These petitions have been assigned Dockets Nos.
000500-TP and 000501-TP, respectively.

On May 1, 2000, Rhythms filed a Motion to Consolidate the two
dockets. Rhythms also filed a Motion to Bifurcate and Expedite
Proceedings. By Order No. PSC-00-0990-PCO-TP, issued May 19, 2000,
Rhythms' Motion to Consolidate was granted, and its Motion to
Bifurcate and Expedite was denied.

On May 31, 2000, Rhythms filed a Notice of Withdrawal of
Arbitration Petition Against BellSouth. On June 7, 2000, Rhythms
filed a Notice of Withdrawal of Arbitration Petition Against GTEFL.

In both cases, the parties have entered into amendments to
their respective interconnection agreements which address the

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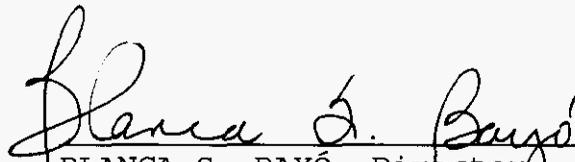
provision of line sharing to Rhythms. Rhythms's indicates that while the amendments do not reflect all of BellSouth's and GTEFL's obligations to provide Rhythms line sharing, the agreements have lead to Rhythms' withdrawal of its petitions for arbitration at this time. Rhythms indicates that it reserves the right to petition this Commission to address line sharing issues at a future date. No other party has filed for intervention, and we believe that no party will be prejudiced by this act. Based upon the foregoing, we hereby acknowledge Rhythms Links, Inc.'s Notices of Withdrawal of Arbitration Petitions Against BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and GTE Florida Incorporated.

Therefore, based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that Rhythms Links Inc.'s Notices of Withdrawal of Arbitration Petitions Against BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and GTE Florida Incorporated are hereby acknowledged. It is further

ORDERED that these dockets shall be closed.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this 27th day of July, 2000.



BLANCA S. BAYÓ, Director
Division of Records and Reporting

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NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.569(1), Florida Statutes, to notify parties of any administrative hearing or judicial review of Commission orders that is available under Sections 120.57 or 120.68, Florida Statutes, as well as the procedures and time limits that apply. This notice should not be construed to mean all requests for an administrative hearing or judicial review will be granted or result in the relief sought.

Any party adversely affected by the Commission's final action in this matter may request: 1) reconsideration of the decision by filing a motion for reconsideration with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, within fifteen (15) days of the issuance of this order in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code; or 2) judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility or the First District Court of Appeal in the case of a water and/or wastewater utility by filing a notice of appeal with the Director, Division of Records and reporting and filing a copy of the notice of appeal and the filing fee with the appropriate court. This filing must be completed within thirty (30) days after the issuance of this order, pursuant to Rule 9.110, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure. The notice of appeal must be in the form specified in Rule 9.900(a), Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.