



November 22, 2000
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210 N. Park Ave.
Winter Park, FL
32789

Ms. Blanca Bayo, Director
Division of Records and Reporting
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Blvd.
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

P.O. Drawer 200
Winter Park, FL
32790-0200

RE: **UniversalCom, Inc.**
FL – Shared-Tenant Service Provider Regulatory Assessment Fee
For the year ended December 31, 1999
Docket # 001398-TS
Request for Settlement Offer

Tel: 407-740-8575
Fax: 407-740-0613
tmi@tminc.com

Dear Ms. Bayo:

This letter is being sent to propose a settlement offer regarding the FL Shared-Tenant Service Provider Regulatory Assessment Fee Return for the year ended December 31, 1999, on behalf of UniversalCom, Inc.

In response to Paula Isler's letter dated November 14, 2000 (a copy which is provided as Attachment A), UniversalCom, Inc. provides the following information:

Proposed Settlement

Proposed Settlement: The Company offers the Florida Public Service Commission (FPSC) a pledge to file all Regulatory Assessment Fee Returns for all certification types by the due date and a settlement offer of \$100 to compensate the FPSC for opening a docket in exchange for the FPSC restoring the Company to good standing with the FPSC and immediately closing docket #001398-TS without further action taken against the Company.

Docket Number: Docket #001398-TS

A check for the Past Due Amount in full: A copy of UniversalCom's \$68.00 check (check # 1821 dated 11/17/00) for payment in full of the FL Shared-Tenant Service Provider Regulatory Assessment Fee is included in Attachment B along with a copy of the return which is also being filed in conjunction with this request.

Statement: UniversalCom states that it has taken steps to prevent future late payments of the regulatory assessment fees.

Specific Monetary Settlement: UniversalCom proposes a settlement offer in the amount of \$100 for the violation of not filing this report on a timely basis. Several steps have been taken, including posting the due date of this report on the Company's calendar.

- APP _____
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- COM _____
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- OPC _____
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- SEC _____
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FPSC-BUREAU OF RECORDS

DOCUMENT NUMBER-DATE

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FPSC-RECORDS/REPORTING

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Please acknowledge receipt of this filing by date-stamping the extra copy of this cover letter and returning it to me in the self-addressed, stamped envelope provided for that purpose.

Questions regarding this request should be directed to my attention at 407-740-8575. Thank you for your assistance in this matter. We await your decision.

Sincerely,



Mark G. Lammert
Compliance Reporting Consultant

cc: Paula J. Isler, Research Assistant – Florida Public Service Commission
Marion Gray - UniversalCom, Inc.

file: UniversalCom, Inc. - Reporting - Florida

ATTACHMENT A

STATE OF FLORIDA

Commissioners:
J. TERRY DEASON, CHAIRMAN
E. LEON JACOBS, JR.
LILA A. JABER
BRAULIO L. BAEZ



DIVISION OF COMPETITIVE SERVICES
WALTER D'HAESELEER
DIRECTOR
(850) 413-6600

Public Service Commission

November 14, 2000

Via Facsimile

Ms. Elizabeth Corrdry, Consultant
UniversalCom, Inc.
2 North Main Street
Greenville, SC 29601

Re: Docket No. 001398-TS

Dear Ms. Corrdry:

This is a follow up to our telephone conversation concerning the above docket. The regulatory assessment fee (RAF) is due each year by January 30 for the previous year, unless the 30th falls on a weekend, then the due date is the next working day. For example, the 1999 fee was due January 31, 2000.

Commission records show that as of this date, the 1999 RAF has not been paid. It is my understanding that you will call the Division of Administration for a copy of the 1999 RAF return. Please complete and return it along with a check for the past due amount in full. The RAF is .0015% of your total Florida gross revenues, or \$50.00, whichever is greater. However, if the company owes only the minimum amount and if it is postmarked by November 26, 2000, the 1999 total is \$67.50 (\$50.00 fee, \$12.50 penalty, and \$5.00 interest). If the check is postmarked between November 27 and December 26, 2000, the interest increases to \$5.50, or a total minimum amount of \$68.00. Our records also show that the company has a penalty (\$5.00) and interest (\$1.00) balance in the amount of \$6.00 from 1998. The fee was due February 1, 1999, and the company's check was postmarked April 1, 1999.

Since the Commissioners have not yet voted on this docket, the company has three options.

- (1) Cancel the certificate voluntarily - Pay all past due charges in full, pay the current year's RAF or provide a date certain that it will be paid (such as 30 days from the date of the Commission Order cancelling your certificate), and write a letter requesting cancellation. A copy of our rule is attached.
- (2) Do nothing - In this case, the certificate will be cancelled on the Commission's own motion. All outstanding RAFs, including penalty and interest charges, will be turned over to the Comptroller's Office for collection.

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PSC Website: <http://www.floridapsc.com>

Internet E-mail: contact@psc.state.fl.us

Rx time: 11/14/2000 17:09

Rx No.: 175 P.001

Ms. Elizabeth Corddry, Consultant

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- (3) Propose a settlement - There is normally a \$500 fine imposed for this rule violation. It should be noted that just paying the past due amount will not prevent your certificate from being cancelled. To keep the certificate active, the company needs to write the Commission a settlement letter that must include the following:
- Docket number;
 - A check for the past due amount in full;
 - A statement that it has taken steps to prevent future late payments of the regulatory assessment fees and what those steps are; and
 - Make a specific monetary settlement.

Any settlement offer should be addressed to Ms. Blanca Bayó, Director, Division of Records and Reporting, Florida Public Service Commission, 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd., Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850. The proposed settlement amount should **not** be paid at this time, instead only the past due regulatory assessment fee, plus penalty and interest charges should be paid. The settlement amount, if approved by the Commission, must be paid within 10 business days after the Commission Order is issued.

Please let me know what your decision is by November 29, 2000. If you have any questions, just let me know. I can be reached at (850) 413-6502-voice, (850) 413-6503-fax, and by internet e-mail at pisler@psc.state.fl.us.

Sincerely,



Paula J. Isler, Research Assistant
Bureau of Service Evaluation & Compliance

Enclosure

cc: Docket No. 001398-TS
Division of Legal Services (Banks)

ATTACHMENT B



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RE: **UniversalCom, Inc.**
FL – Shared-Tenant Service Provider Regulatory Assessment Fee Return
For the year ended December 31, 1999
Docket # 001398-TS

Dear Ms. Isler:

Enclosed please find the FL Shared-Tenant Service Provider Regulatory Assessment Fee Return for the year ended December 31, 1999, filed on behalf of UniversalCom, Inc. A check in the amount of \$68.00 is enclosed to cover the remittance fees due.

Please acknowledge receipt of this filing by date-stamping the extra copy of this cover letter and returning it to me in the self-addressed, stamped envelope provided for that purpose.

Questions regarding this filing should be directed to my attention at 407-740-8575. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Mark G. Lammert
Compliance Reporting Consultant

cc: Marion Gray - UniversalCom, Inc.

file: UniversalCom, Inc. - Reporting - Florida

UniversalCom, Inc.
A NewSouth Company
 TWO NORTH MAIN STREET
 GREENVILLE, SC 29601
 (864) 672-5000



FIRST UNION NATIONAL BANK
 OF SOUTH CAROLINA
 GREENVILLE, SC
 67-776/532

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Docket # 001398-TS

DATE
 11/17/00

AMOUNT
 \$68.00

Sixty Eight Dollars And 00 Cents

PAY

TO THE ORDER OF
 Florida Public Svc. Commission
 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd.
 Tallahassee FL 32399

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2 SIGNATURES REQUIRED IF AMOUNT EXCEEDS \$2500.00

SECURITY

UniversalCom, Inc. - A NewSouth Company

NewSouth Communications (UCI)

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FPSC	Florida Public Svc. Commission	10489	11/17/00					
2073	111700	11/17/00	\$68.00	\$68.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$68.00	
<i>Docket # 001398-TS</i>								
COMMENT			\$68.00	\$68.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$68.00	

Shared-Tenant Service Provider Regulatory Assessment Fee Return

STATUS:

Florida Public Service Commission

(See Filing Instructions on Back of Form)

FOR PSC USE ONLY	
Check #	
\$	0603001 003001
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Postmark Date	
Initials of Preparer	

- Actual Return
- Estimated Return
- Amended Return

Docket # 001398-TS
UniversalCom, Inc. c/o NewSouth Communications
2 North Main Street
Greenville, SC 29607

PERIOD COVERED

Jan. 1, 1999 -
Dec. 31, 1999

Please Complete Below If Official Mailing Address Has Changed

(Name of Company) (Address) (City/State) (Zip)

LINE NO.	ACCOUNT CLASSIFICATION	AMOUNT
1.	Gross Intrastate Operating Revenue	\$ 0.00
2.	LESS: Amounts paid to Other Telecommunications Companies* (see "2. Fees" on back)	(0.00)
3.	Net Intrastate Revenue (Line 1 less line 2)	0.00
4.	Regulatory Assessment Fee Due (Multiply Line 3 by 0.0015)	50.00
5.	Penalty for Late Payment	\$ 12.50
6.	Interest for Late Payment	5.50
7.	TOTAL AMOUNT DUE	\$ 68.00

* These amounts must be intrastate only and must be verifiable.

AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 364.336, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE MINIMUM ANNUAL FEE IS \$50

I, the undersigned owner/officer of the above-named company, have read the foregoing and declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief, the above information is a true and correct statement. I am aware that pursuant to Section 837.06, Florida Statutes, whoever knowingly makes a false statement in writing with the intent to mislead a public servant in the performance of his/her duty shall be guilty of a misdemeanor of the second degree.

Marion H Gray
(Signature of Company Official)

Marion H Gray
(Preparer of Form-Please Print Name)

Chief Financial Officer
(Title) 11/17/99
(Date)

Telephone Number: 864-672-5492 Fax Number 850-654-1794

F.E.I.No. 59-2154363

**ADDENDUM TO FLORIDA STATE REGULATORY ASSESSMENT FEE RETURN
For**

**UniversalCom, Inc. d/b/a NewSouth Communications
2 North Main Street -
Greenville, SC 29607
FL. Utility #:**

Period Covered: January 1, 1999 - December 31, 1999

LIST OF TELEPHONE COMPANIES FROM LINE # 8

Local Access Carriers:

LIST OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANIES FROM WHOM WE LEASE FACILITIES (LINE #17):

Additional Lease Facilities Carriers: