

FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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APRIL 3, 2001

RE: DOCKET NO. 001745-TP - Petition by Pilgrim Telephone, Inc. for arbitration of terms of interconnection agreement with Verizon Florida Inc. (f/k/a GTE Florida Incorporated).

ISSUE 1: Should the Commission grant Verizon's Motion to Dismiss?

RECOMMENDATION: No. The Commission should deny Verizon's Motion to Dismiss. Pilgrim is a telecommunications carrier as defined in Section 3(a)(49) of the Act, and is therefore entitled to file a petition for arbitration.

COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: Full Commission

COMMISSIONERS' SIGNATURES

MAJORITY

DISSENTING

REMARKS/DISSENTING COMMENTS:

*To the May 1, 2001
Commission Conference*

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ISSUE 2: Should the Commission, on its own motion, decline to hear Pilgrim's Petition for Arbitration?

RECOMMENDATION: Yes. The Commission, on its own motion, should decline to hear Pilgrim's Petition for Arbitration. Staff notes that this is an issue of first impression for the Commission. Companies which have to be certificated by the Commission prior to providing telecommunications services within the state should not avail themselves of the resources of the Commission and the State of Florida without first obtaining certification.

ISSUE 3: Should this docket be closed?

RECOMMENDATION: Yes. If the Commission approves staff's recommendations in Issue 1 and Issue 2, no other issues will remain for the Commission to address in this Docket. This Docket should, therefore, be closed.