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March 30, 2001  
Florida Public Service Commission  
Mrs. Jackie Knight  
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Via Certified Mail # Z 280 547 071

Ref: Docket # 010138-TX

Dear Mrs. Knight,

World Telecommunications Services never pursued the Local Market, as we several times reported on FPSC inquires or on Alternative Local Exchange Company Regulatory Assessment Fee Returns over the past Five (5) years.

WTSI also replied FPSC letter dated March 1, 2001 (attached), stating WTSI has no physical address any longer.

In another letter dated February 28, 2001 (attached), WTSI stated it has been under Phase out process since the beginning of the year 2000, more specifically, February 2000.

Any other correspondence received by any ex-employee of WTSI during the year of 2000 might have got lost or filed and sent to storage along with all documents WTSI needs to keep.

Therefore, we apologized for failing in replying the Report mentioned on FPSC letter dated March 6, 2001 (attached).

Moreover, I am spending most of my time outside the country, and I come to US usually by the end of each month to pick up important mailing from WTSI P.O. Box.

Unfortunately, today is rather late to reply your letter, but I, on behalf of WTSI request FPSC to review and reconsider its decision of penalizing a company that has never been on local business and it is already out of business.

For any further contact please send letters to:

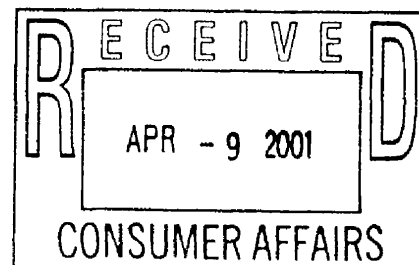
P.O. box 14020  
Miami, FL 33101-4020.

Best regards,

Roberto De Oliveira.

Attachments: Sent letters February 28, 2001- March 1, 2001 & Received letter March 6, 2001.

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Initiation of show cause proceedings against World Telecommunications Services, Inc. for apparent violation of Section 364.183(1), F.S., Access to Company Records.

DOCKET NO. 010138-TX  
ORDER NO. PSC-01-0520-SC-TX  
ISSUED: March 6, 2001

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

E. LEON JACOBS, JR., Chairman  
J. TERRY DEASON  
LILA A. JABER  
BRAULIO L. BAEZ  
MICHAEL A. PALECKI

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

BY THE COMMISSION:

BACKGROUND

World Telecommunications Services, Inc. (World) is an Alternative Local Exchange Company (ALEC) certified to operate in Florida pursuant to Certificate Number 5204. On July 6, 2000, our staff sent to World a certified letter, requesting information necessary for inclusion in the local competition report required by Section 364.386, Florida Statutes. On July 11, 2000, World signed for delivery of the letter. As of January 22, 2001, World has not responded to our staff's inquires.

We are vested with jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to Sections 364.183, 364.285 and 364.386, Florida Statutes.

SHOW CAUSE

Section 364.285, Florida Statutes, authorizes this Commission to impose upon any entity subject to its jurisdiction a penalty of not more than \$25,000 for each offense, if such entity is found to have refused to comply with or to have willfully violated any lawful rule or order of this Commission, or any provision of

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Chapter 364, Florida Statutes. Utilities are charged with knowledge of the Commission's rules and statutes. Additionally, "[i]t is a common maxim, familiar to all minds, that 'ignorance of the law' will not excuse any person, either civilly or criminally." Barlow v. United States, 32 U.S. 404, 411 (1833).

We find that World's conduct in not providing access to company records, in apparent violation of Section 364.183(1), Florida Statutes, has been "willful" in the sense intended by Section 364.285, Florida Statutes. In Order No. 24306, issued April 1, 1991, in Docket No. 890216-TL, In re: Investigation Into The Proper Application of Rule 25-14.003, F.A.C., Relating to Tax Savings Refund for 1988 and 1989 for GTE Florida, Inc., having found that the company had not intended to violate the rule, the Commission nevertheless found it appropriate to order it to show cause why it should not be fined, stating that "In our view, willful implies intent to do an act, and this is distinct from intent to violate a rule." Thus, any intentional act, such as World's conduct at issue here, would meet the standard for a "willful violation."

Based on the foregoing, World shall show cause in writing within 21 days of the issuance of this Order to Show Cause why it should not be fined \$10,000 or have its certificate canceled for apparent violation of Section 364.183(1), Florida Statutes. The response shall contain specific allegations of fact and law. If World timely responds to this Order to Show Cause, this docket shall remain open pending resolution of the show cause proceeding. If World fails to respond to this Order to Show Cause or request a hearing pursuant to Section 120.57, Florida Statutes, within the 21-day response period and the fine is not paid within ten business days after the 21-day response period, the facts shall be deemed admitted, the right to a hearing shall be deemed waived and Certificate Number 5204 shall be canceled and this docket shall be closed. If the fine is paid, it shall be remitted to the State of Florida General Revenue Fund pursuant to Section 364.285, Florida Statutes.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that World Telecommunications Services, Inc. shall show cause in writing

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within 21 days of the date of this Order to Show Cause why it should not be fined \$10,000 or have its certificate canceled for apparent violation of Section 364.183(1), Florida Statutes. It is further

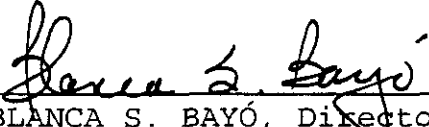
ORDERED that any response to the Order to Show Cause filed by World Telecommunications Services, Inc. shall contain specific allegations of fact and law. It is further

ORDERED that failure to respond to this Order to Show Cause in the manner and by the date set forth in the "Notice of Further Proceedings or Judicial Review," attached hereto, shall constitute an admission of the violations described in the body of this Order to Show Cause, as well as a waiver of the right to a hearing, and will result in the automatic assessment of the fine. It is further

ORDERED that if World Telecommunications Services, Inc. pays the fine, it shall be remitted to the State of Florida General Revenue Fund pursuant to Section 364.285, Florida Statutes. It is further

ORDERED that in the event World Telecommunications Services, Inc. fails to respond to this Order to Show Cause and the fine is not received within ten business days after the expiration to the show cause response period, Certificate Number 5204 shall be canceled, and this docket shall be closed.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this 6th day of March, 2001.

  
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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.

Mediation may be available on a case-by-case basis. If mediation is conducted, it does not affect a substantially interested person's right to a hearing.

This order is preliminary, procedural or intermediate in nature. Any person whose substantial interests are affected by this show cause order may file a response within 21 days of issuance of the show cause order as set forth herein. This response must be received by the Director, Division of Records and Reporting, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, by the close of business on March 27, 2001.

Failure to respond within the time set forth above shall constitute an admission of all facts and a waiver of the right to a hearing and a default pursuant to Rule 28-106.111(4), Florida Administrative Code. Such default shall be effective on the day subsequent to the above date.

If an adversely affected person fails to respond to this order within the time prescribed above, that party may request judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court in the case of any electric, gas or telephone utility or by the First District Court of Appeal in the case of a water 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 of the effective date of this order, pursuant to Rule 9.110, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.

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**World Telecommunications Services Inc.**

P.O. Box 14020  
Miami, Fl 33101-4020

February 28, 2001  
Florida Public Service Commission  
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Tallahassee, Fl 32399  
Ph: (850) 413-6267  
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**Via Certified Mail # Z 280 547 070**

Ref: Docket # 010135-TX

Dear Mrs. Knight,

World Telecommunications Services has been operating as an International re-seller since its FCC 214 license was granted.

Although WTSI has applied and granted an Alternative Local Exchange Carrier license, we actually never pursued that market.

Facing and overcoming several economical issues along these years, in the beginning of the year 2000, however we decided to phase out the Florida Operations, so our associate company could service on this attractive and yet competitive market.

In spite of been concerned of all the issues involving this process, there are a few of them that were overseen.

Due to the fact that in December 2000 we laid off our Employees, some of the reports and/or fillings were delayed but not forgotten.

As I am in and out of the Country, and our office no longer exist, we have rented a mailbox to make sure important correspondence reaches our company. Please refer to header of the letter for our new mailing address.

Although our decision of not operate in Florida is irreversible, we would like to keep our certificate in good status, because there are still a few settlements to be done, and therefore some issues may come up. So we would like to count on the independent arbitration of FPSC, which have served us very well in the past.

Last but not least, for the reasons above we would like FPSC to waive the \$10,000 fine and close the above referred docket.

We wait for your positive reply to our request, and should any additional information be deemed necessary, please send us certified letters to:

P.O. box 14020  
Miami, Fl 33101-4020.

Best regards,

  
Roberto De Oliveira.

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STATE OF FLORIDA

Commissioners:  
E. LEON JACOBS, JR., CHAIRMAN  
J. TERRY DEASON  
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DIVISION OF RECORDS & REPORTING  
BLANCA S. BAYÓ  
DIRECTOR  
(850) 413-6770

## Public Service Commission

March 1, 2001

World Telecommunications Services, Inc.  
28 West Flagler Street, Suite 708  
Miami, FL 33130-1894

Dear Regulated Utility:

The Commission is reviewing the information contained in its Master Commission Directory of Regulated Utilities. Please check the information on the attached form and make any necessary changes, then return the signed, dated form to us within 15 days of receipt. If all information is correct, there is no need to return the form.

Pursuant to the Commission's Statement of Agency Organization and Operations, any future changes in this information must be reported to the Division of Records and Reporting in writing at the address shown on the bottom of this letter. You may obtain a copy of the Change of Information on Regulated Utility form on the PSC's website listed under Filings and Dockets.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Blanca S. Bayó".

Blanca S. Bayó

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Attachment

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World Telecommunications Services, Inc.

Company Code: TX113

Certificate No(s): 5204

<b>Physical Location:</b> 28 West Flagler Street, Suite 708 Miami, FL 33130-1894	<b>ENTER CORRECTIONS BELOW:</b> <u>NO PHYSICAL LOCATION</u>
<b>Mailing Address:</b> 28 West Flagler Street, Suite 708 Miami, FL 33130-1894	<u>P.O. Box 14020</u> <u>MIAMI - FL 33101-4020</u>
<b>Liaison Officer(s):</b> 1. Robson de Oliveira, Manager, (305) 373-4640 or -7058 2. Name, Title, Phone number	<u>ALEXANDRE PERNAZ DOS SANTOS</u> <u>VICE-PRESIDENT 5511530-1426</u>
<b>Fax No(s):</b> (305) 373-7062, Fax 2 <b>E-mail address:</b> Robson@WTST.net <b>Web address:</b> <b>Federal Employee ID No.:</b> 65-0505807	<u>FAX: 5511530-7080</u> <u>NO E-MAIL</u>

**IMPORTANT NOTE:**

The following section is applicable **ONLY** to companies with d/b/a as part of their official company name.

All official correspondence is addressed to the "Mailing Name" of regulated companies. The "**Mailing Name**" is the last d/b/a of the company's official name. Our records reflect the mailing name shown below for your company. If you prefer to receive official correspondence in another mailing name, please make the change in the space provided. The name can be no longer than 58 characters (including spaces) and **MUST** be part of the official company name.

**MAILING NAME:**

World Telecommunications Services, Inc.

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COMPLETED BY: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_