

## BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Investigation into the establishment of operations support systems permanent performance measures for incumbent local exchange telecommunications companies.

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DOCKET NO. 000121-TP FILED: APRIL 11, 2001

## MOTION TO EXTEND DISCOVERY CUTOFF DATE

Commission staff (staff), by and through undersigned counsel, pursuant to Rule 28-106.204, Florida Administrative Code, hereby requests to extend the discovery cutoff date by one day or until staff's depositions are completed and as grounds therefor states:

1. This matter has been scheduled for an administrative hearing on April 25, 26, and 27, 2001. Pursuant to Order No. PSC-01-0242-PCO-TP, issued January 26, 2001, all discovery was to be completed by April 18, 2001, unless extended by the Prehearing Officer for good cause shown.

2. Staff believes that it is necessary to conduct depositions of certain witnesses in this proceeding to be able to present a more complete record to the Commission.

3. Staff was unable to schedule all these depositions prior to April 18, 2001, because of the witnesses' schedules. Currently, staff's depositions are scheduled for April 16, 2001, April 18, 2001, and April 19, 2001. The parties' sponsoring these witnesses were contact by telephone and had no objection to the extension of the discovery cutoff deadline.

4. Due to the time constraints, staff contacted the parties of record other than those sponsoring the witnesses to be deposed by facsimile and requested that any objection to going beyond the discovery cutoff date be made within 24 hours. The notice of staff's deposition along with staff's request for objection were sent April 5, 2001. However, due to transmittal problems, the facsimile was sent again to several parties on April 6, 2001. To date, these parties have not objected to the extension of the discovery cutoff date.

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WHEREFORE, Commission staff moves the Prehearing Officer to extend the discovery cutoff date by one day or until staff's depositions are completed.

Respectfully Submitted this \_\_\_\_\_ day of April, 2001.

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of COMMISSION STAFF'S MOTION TO EXTEND THE DISCOVERY CUTOFF DATE has been furnished by regular U.S. Mail and facsimile, this 11th day of April, 2001, to the following:

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