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Public Service Commission

April 23, 2001

Mr. Thomas Rynning
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Re: Docket No. 010485-TC

Dear Mr. Rynning:

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 and the 2000 fee was due by January 30, 2001.

Commission records show that as of this date, the 2000 RAF has not been paid. In our conversation, you stated that you had mailed the minimum \$50.00 fee this past weekend, but did not pay the statutory penalty and interest charges. The penalty is \$7.50 and interest is \$1.50, for a total of \$9.00. However, our records also show that you have a past due balance of \$12.00 from prior years that must be paid. A breakdown is attached.

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 2001 RAF or provide a date certain that it will be paid (such as 30 days from the date of the Commission Order cancelling the certificate), and write a letter requesting cancellation. A copy of our rule is attached.
- (2) Do nothing - In this case, the company's 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.
- (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 the company's certificate from being cancelled. You need to write the Commission a settlement letter that must include the following elements:

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- Docket number;
- A check for the past due amount in full;
- A statement that the company has taken steps to prevent future late payments of the regulatory assessment fees and what those steps are;
- A waiver of objection to the administrative cancellation of your certificate in the event your offer is accepted and you fail to comply with the terms which you have offered.; 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 May 8, 2001. 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,



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Enclosures

cc: Docket No. 010485-TC
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Thomas Rynning (TF819)
 Certificate No. 4926, Effective 08/29/96

Year	Fee	Penalty	Interest	Notes
1997	Paid	\$ 5.00	\$1.00	Company paid the \$50.00 RAF on 03/03/98, but did not pay the penalty or interest charges. Payment was due 01/30/98.
1998	Paid	\$ 5.00	\$1.00	Company paid the \$50.00 RAF on 03/29/99, but did not pay the penalty and interest charges. Payment was due 02/01/99.
2000	?	\$ 7.50	\$1.50	Although our records do not show receipt of the \$50.00 minimum RAF, you stated you had mailed it this past weekend. If so, you will also owe the \$9.00 penalty and interest charges.
Total	N/A	\$17.50	\$3.50	Total Past Due if the 2000 Minimum RAF has been Mailed: \$21.00

25-24.514 Cancellation of a Certificate.

- (1) The Commission may cancel a company's certificate for any of the following reasons:
 - (a) Violation of the terms and conditions under which the authority was originally granted;
 - (b) Violation of Commission rules or orders;
 - (c) Violation of Florida Statutes; or,
 - (d) Failure to provide service for a period of six (6) months.

- (2) If a certificated company desires to cancel its certificate, it shall request cancellation from the Commission in writing and shall provide the following with its request.
 - (a) Statement of intent and date to pay Regulatory Assessment Fee.
 - (b) Statement of why the certificate is proposed to be cancelled.

- (3) Cancellation of a certificate shall be ordered subject to the holder providing the information required by subsection (2).

Specific Authority 350.127(2) FS.

Law Implemented 350.113, 350.127(1), 364.03, 364.285, 364.337, 364.345 FS.

History--New 1-5-87.