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Public Service Commission

June 5, 2001

Mr. Robert E. Jennings, Co-Owner R & J Communications 9311 Lido Lane Port Richey, FL 34668-4782

Re: Docket No. 010659-TC

Dear Mr. Jennings:

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. The 2000 RAF return is attached. In our conversation, you stated that you had returned the form to the Commission but that you did not send a check with it. If you kept a copy of the form, you may simply make a copy and return it with your check. Otherwise, please complete the attached form and return it along with payment for the past due amount in full. The RAF is .0015% of the company's total Florida gross revenues, or \$50.00, whichever is greater. However, if the company owes only the **minimum** amount and if payment is postmarked by June 29, 2001, the 2000 total is \$65.00 (\$50.00 fee, \$12.50 penalty, and \$2.50 interest). If payment is postmarked between June 30 and July 29, 2001, the interest charge increases to \$3.00, or a total minimum amount of \$65.50.

Since the Commissioners have not yet voted on this docket and you told me in our telephone conversation that you wished to keep your certificate active, the company should propose a settlement.

As we discussed, there is normally a \$500 fine imposed for this rule violation. However, in other similar cases, the Commission has accepted settlement offers between the amounts of \$100 and the full \$500. 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 the company's certificate in the event your offer is accepted and you fail to comply with the terms which you have offered. If, however, there is a factual dispute as to the manner or level of compliance with any provision in the settlement, Commission staff will bring the matter to the Commission for consideration; and
- Make a specific monetary settlement.

Any settlement offer/correspondence 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 June 20, 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,

Paula J. Isler, Research Assistant Bureau of Service Quality

Paula J. John

Enclosure

cc: Docket No. 010659-TC

Division of Legal Services (Elliott)

TO AYOID PENALTY AND INTEREST CHARGES, THE REGULATORY ASSESSMENT FEE RETURN MUST BE FILED ON OR BEFORE 01/30/2001 Pay Telephone Service Provider Regulatory Assessment Fee Return

STATUS:		Florida Public Service Commission (See Filing Instructions on Back of Form)		FOR PSC USE ONLY Check#	
Actual Return Estimated Return Amended Return PERIOD COVERED: 10/20/2000 TO 12/31/2000		TG748 R & J Communication 9311 Lido Lane Port Richey, FL 346		\$\$ \$ Postmark Date Initials of Preparer	
		Please Complete Below If	Official Mailing Address Has Changed	Initials of Preparer	
	(Name of Company)		(Address)	(City/State)	(Zip)
LINE NO.		ACCOUNT CLASS	IFICATION	AMOU	NT
1.	Gross Operating Revenue (Florida)			\$	
2.	Gross Intrastate Revenue				
3.	LESS: Amounts Paid to Other Telecommunications Companies* (see "2. Fees" on back)			(
4.	TOTAL REVENUES for Regulatory Assessment Fee Calculation (Line 2 less Line 3)			\$	
5.	Regulatory Assessment Fee Due — (Multiply Line 4 by 0.0015)				
6.	Penalty for Late Payment (see "3. Failure to File by Due Date" on back)			• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	
7.	Interest for Late Payment (see "3. Failure to File by Due Date" on back)				
8.	TOTAL AMOUNT DUE			\$	
			RIDA STATUTES, THE MINIMUM A		ED
9.	Number of pay telep by this Return	phones in operation at	close of period covered		
* These a	mounts must be <u>intrastate only</u> and r	nust be verifiable.			
is a true ar	id correct statement. I am aware th	nat pursuant to Section 837.06, Flo	d the foregoing and declare that to the best of rida Statutes, whoever knowingly makes a fal- nisdemeanor of the second degree.	my knowledge and belief the above se statement in writing with the inte	e information nt to mislead
	(Signature of Compa	any Official)	(Title)		Date)
(Preparer of Form - Please Print Name)			Telephone Number () F.E.I. No	Fax Number ()	