

REQUEST TO ESTABLISH DOCKET
(PLEASE TYPE)

Date April 22, 2002

Docket No. 020361-TC

- 1. Division Name/Staff Name Competitive Markets & Enforcement/Isler
- 2. OPR Competitive Markets & Enforcement/Isler
- 3. OCR Office of General Counsel

4. Suggested Docket Title Cancellation by Florida Public Service Commission of Pay Telephone Certificate No. 5579 Issued to Branch Associates, Inc. for Violation of Rule 25-4.0161, F.A.C., Regulatory Assessment Fees; Telecommunications Companies

5. Suggested Docket Mailing List (attach separate sheet if necessary)

- A. Provide NAMES ONLY for regulated companies or ACRONYMS ONLY regulated industries, as shown in Rule 25-22.104, F.A.C.
- B. Provide COMPLETE name and address for all others. (Match representatives to clients.)

1. Parties and their representatives (if any)

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2. Interested Persons and their representatives (if any)

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6. Check one:

- Documentation is attached.
- Documentation will be provided with recommendation.

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FPSC-COMMISSION CLERK

Paula Isler

From: Martha Coggins
Sent: Monday, April 22, 2002 11:04 AM
To: Paula Isler
Subject: RE: Recent payments

None of the listed company codes have sent in payment for 2001 or 2002.

Thanks

-----Original Message-----

From: Paula Isler
Sent: Monday, April 22, 2002 9:59 AM
To: Martha Coggins
Subject: Recent payments

Good morning, Martha. Before I open dockets to cancel the following certificates, I need to know if payments have been received recently. The RAF System shows that payments have not been posted, but you had showed me that new program where you could check for payments not yet posted. The company codes are:

TJ548 and TX434 - Arbros Communications (owes 2001 and 2002, each cert.)
TF739 - B.K. Hartley (owes 2001 and 2002)
TG254 - Branch Associates, Inc. (owes 2001 and 2002)
TJ182 and TX271 - Compass Telecommunications (owes 2001 & 2002, each cert.)
TI652 - Interoute-Wholesale (owes 2001 and 2002)
TF653 - Lund Communications (owes 2002)
TJ496 - Metstream Communications (owes 2001 and 2002)
TF895 - Proline Communications (owes 2001 and 2002)
TJ318 - Sprawl.net.com (owes 2001 and 2002)

Thanks.

STATE OF FLORIDA

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DIVISION OF COMPETITIVE MARKETS &
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WALTER D'HAESELEER
DIRECTOR
(850) 413-6600

Public Service Commission

March 7, 2002

Mr. Paul C. Branch, President
Branch Associates, Inc.
PO Box 547
Osprey, FL 34229-0547

Dear Mr. Branch:

This is a follow up to your letter dated March 1, 2002 to Mr. Harold McLean concerning the delinquent notice for the 2001 Regulatory Assessment Fee (RAF). You are correct that the Commission received the 2001 RAF return form dated January 21, 2002 showing zero revenues. However, if a certificate is active for any one day during a calendar year, the RAF is owed for that calendar year. Because the Commission has not received a request for cancellation of your certificate, the RAF is owed for 2001, plus statutory penalty (\$5.00) and interest (\$1.00) charges.

Your letter stated that the company was not active in the pay telephone business nor owned any payphones, but the letter did not specifically request cancellation of the certificate. Therefore, please clarify whether you want your certificate cancelled by March 31, 2002. If you do want your certificate cancelled, the company needs to either pay the 2002 RAF or provide a date certain it will be paid (such as 30 days after the Order is issued granting the cancellation).

In the meantime, if you have any questions, just let me know. I can be reached at (850) 413-6502-voice, (850) 413-6503-fax, by internet e-mail at pisler@psc.state.fl.us, or at the address below.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Paula J. Isler".

Paula J. Isler, Research Assistant
Bureau of Service Quality

Enclosure

Pay Telephone Service Provider Regulatory Assessment Fee Return

STATUS:

- Actual Return
- Estimated Return
- Amended Return

PERIOD COVERED:
01/01/2001 TO 12/31/2001

Florida Public Service Commission

(See Filing Instructions on Back of Form)

TG254-01-0-R
 Branch Associates, Inc.
~~14255 U.S. Highway One, Suite 225~~
~~Juno Beach, FL 33408-1405~~
 P.O. BOX 547
 OSPREY, FL 34229

Please Complete Below If Official Mailing Address Has Changed

FOR PSC USE ONLY

Check# _____

\$ _____ 0603002
 _____ 003001
 \$ _____ P
 _____ 0603002
 _____ 004011
 \$ _____ 1

Postmark Date _____

Initials of Preparer _____

(Name of Company)	(Address)	(City/State)	(Zip)
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LINE NO.	ACCOUNT CLASSIFICATION	AMOUNT
1.	Gross Operating Revenue (Florida)	\$ 0
2.	Gross Intrastate Revenue	0
3.	LESS: Amounts Paid to Other Telecommunications Companies* (see "2. Fees" on back)	(0)
4.	TOTAL REVENUES for Regulatory Assessment Fee Calculation (Line 2 less Line 3)	\$ 0
5.	Regulatory Assessment Fee Due – (Multiply Line 4 by 0.0015)	0
6.	Penalty for Late Payment (see "3. Failure to File by Due Date" on back)	0
7.	Interest for Late Payment (see "3. Failure to File by Due Date" on back)	0
8.	TOTAL AMOUNT DUE	\$ 0

AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 364.336 FLORIDA STATUTES, THE MINIMUM ANNUAL FEE IS \$50

THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED REGARDLESS OF THE AMOUNT OF REVENUES REPORTED

9. Number of pay telephones in operation at close of period covered by this Return 0

* These amounts must be intrastate only and must be verifiable.

I, the undersigned owner/officer of the above-named company, have read the foregoing and declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief the above information is a true and correct statement. I am aware that pursuant to Section 837.06, Florida Statutes, whoever knowingly makes a false statement in writing with the intent to mislead a public servant in the performance of his official duty shall be guilty of a misdemeanor of the second degree.

P.C. Branch
 (Signature of Company Official)

PREPARED
 (Title)

1-21-02
 (Date)

P.C. BRANCH
 (Preparer of Form - Please Print Name)

Telephone Number 848 552-2604 Fax Number 848 552-2615

F.E.I. No. 65-0641009

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March 01, 2002

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Harold McLean, General Counsel
Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Blvd.
Tallahassee

2002 MAR -6 AM 10: 56
DIVISION OF
COMPETITIVE SERVICES

TG254-01-0-D

Dear Sir:

This is in response to your letter indicating that RAF form was not timely filed. This form **was indeed filed as evidenced by the address change** as we have **recently moved** from North Palm Beach and this was clearly noted on the form.

I have enclosed a letter written to the Department of Revenue , January 20, 1999 which states that we acted as a locator and **discontinued this practice July 31, 1998.**

We stated that we are **not active** in the Payphone business, **own no Payphones** and this position remains the same to this day. No notice from, or correspondence has been received from the services division to respond to. If "fees" are due kindly and simply, send a notice of what they are.

Our Country has been through a lot these past months and as a businessman I am following the direction of our Governor and President in keeping a positive approach to things. I do not feel, in this first notice case, the tone of your letter reflects this.



Paul C. Branch
Branch Associates, Inc.
P. O. Box 547
Osprey, FL 34229

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

MAR 02 2002

C: Paula Isler

January 20, 1999

Rose Stanley, Senior Tax Specialist
Florida Department of Revenue
P. O. Box 6417
Tallahassee, FL 32314 6417

Re: d/b/a U-CALL THE SMART PAYPHONE.

Dear Ms. Stanley:

This is in response to tax on Payphone receipts as detailed in your letter dated January 6, 1999.

We have maintained an inactive license with the PSC for Payphones within the State of Florida. Beginning in January (1998) we acted as a locator/installer of Public Payphones which were sold to ETS Payphones, 561 Thornton Rd., Lithia Springs, GA 30057. We did not receive any call or coin revenue from these Payphones

This practice was discontinued as of July 31, 1998 with the final sale to ETS. At this time we are not active in the Payphone business and do not have any plans to reactivate.

Yours truly,

P. C. Branch

COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Printed on 04/22/2002 at 14:05:51 by PJI

Complete Name: Branch Associates, Inc.

Mailing Name: Branch Associates, Inc.

Company Code: TG254 FEID Number: 65-0641009

RAF ACCOUNT FOR THE PERIOD 01/01/2001 THROUGH 12/31/2001

Reg. Date:	02/17/1998	Inactive Date:	
Service:	PAT - Pay Telephone		
Received:	No RAF Form		
Status:	Pending		
Amended:	No	Extension:	No
Frozen:	No	Comments:	No
Payment Count:	0 Payments Made to Date		
Operating Rev:	\$0.00	Interstate Rev:	\$0.00
RAF Rate:		Net RAF Due:	\$0.00

Assessment	Due	Paid	Owe
RAF	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Penalty	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Interest	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Extension Fee	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

Last modification was made on Thursday, December 6, 2001 at 3:13 PM by Jackie Knight

Period covered:	01/01/2001 through 12/31/2001	RAF rate:	
Operating rev:	\$0.00	Gross intrastate rev:	\$0.00
Documents:	Delinquent letter mailed on 02/20/2002		
	RAF form mailed on 12/06/2001		