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## **Cat Communications International, Inc.**

# PUC Complaint "Report Card"

Submitted to be included

with settlement offer

dated August 9, 2002.

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DCCUMENT NUMBER - DATE 09204 AUG 30 2 FPSC-CEMMISSION CLERK CCI would like to present their PUC Complaint "Report Card" for review and also would like for it to accompany our latest settlement offer dated August 9, 2002. We would like to especially call attention to the fact that there were almost no freeze related complaints in 2001. You will find that CCI complaints really started when a flourish of freeze related complaints against another CLEC operating in the state of Florida started surfacing and they were having to respond to the PUC's docket. At that time they were advising customers that had CCI service that were wanting to migrate over to them to call the Commission to have the freeze removed in lieu of calling CCI and making the request. CCI never had an opportunity to process an order to remove the freeze prior to the complaint, therefore not allowing the freeze and removal to work as we know it can. We are currently operating in 23 states and the District of Columbia and we process freeze removals in most states. Ameritech (ILEC) does not have a local service provider freeze and we cannot use it in their footprint. Also please make note of how the complaints have drastically decreased since you opened up a docket against CCI.

We do thank you for your time involved in reviewing all of this information.

#### CCI Florida PUC Complaints "Report Card"

#### 2001

Non-Freeze Related Complaints	Freeze Related Complaints
<b>363347T</b> - 02/20/01 - Customer reporting	<b>423841T</b> - 12/12/01 - Customer wanting to
that CCI would not disconnect her service.	switch service. Freeze removal order
She had never called and requested but was	placed on 12/12 and completed on 12/13.
disconnected on 2/21/01 for an NSF check.	
<b>379522T</b> - 05/14/01 - Customer was	
requesting a full refund. Verizon GTE was	
having problems with orders in Tampa not	
being completed in their system and they	
were at a standstill for several months.	
Customer was given a full refund.	
<b>388060T</b> - 07/02/01 - Customer stated that	
she had requested disconnection in May.	
At the time of responding to the complaint,	
customer had had no contact with CCI	
since March and she was disconnected for	
non-payment on 07/06/01.	
<b>392415T</b> - 07/19/01 - Customer looking for	
refund check that was issued but stolen.	
CCI was waiting for stop payment	
confirmation from the bank before reissue	
could be completed.	
<b>394419T</b> - 07/30/01 - Customer's	
complaint due to delay in restoring phone	

service after payment was made. CCI	
never requested service to be suspended.	
Sprint took service down because they saw	
it as an abandoned station, they had a retail	
customer requesting service at the same	
location. We could not call the customer	
but did write to her and heard nothing back.	
<b>395050T</b> - 08/01/01 - Customer requested	
residential service in a commercial	
location. He complaint consisted of	
request of a refund and to cease billing.	
CCI's request for service connection was	
completed by BellSouth and then when	
they realized that it was residential service	
installed at a commercial site, they	
disconnected it. In the CCI system the	
account was not disconnected immediately.	
Billing was stopped, but due to a fraudulent	
application and a completed installation,	
refund request could not be fulfilled.	
<b>395818T</b> - 08/06/01 - Customer reporting	
delay in installation. Installation was	
completed the day that complaint was	
received.	
<b>399820T</b> - 08/22/01 - Customer ordered	
service but it was not working. Customer's	
order was processed as a migration. Order	
was completed by GTE and after	
completion they honored a suspension from	
the previous supplier of phone service.	
Upon realizing the problem, GTE was	
contacted and service was restored.	
<b>401776T</b> - 08/31/01 - Customer (Theresa	
Dunham) had stated that CCI would not	
allow her to switch her service. Phone	
number provided on complaint belonged to	
Theresa Ford and therefore we could not	
discuss the account.	

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Non-Freeze Related Complaints	Freeze Related Complaints	
<b>439910T -</b> 02/28/02 - Customer	<b>427919T</b> - 01/04/02 - Customer requesting	
complaining that CCI would not disconnect	that freeze be removed. Customer never	
service. It was explained to customer that	requested CCI to remove the freeze, they	
we required a faxed request for disconnect.	went straight to the PUC. Upon receipt of	

Once this was provided service was terminated.	complaint, CCI processed order to remove the freeze on 1/10/02. Customer never migrated service nor made any additional payments. Account was suspended on 2/21/02 and disconnected on 2/22/02.
<b>444399T</b> - 03/21/02 - Customer's situation involved disconnection requests. CCI had received a request by phone on 3/11 to disconnect service. Requested notice in writing but that we would suspend awaiting receipt. Upon suspension, call was received stating that payment was made and disconnect was not desired. CCI restore service only to receive a request to disconnect service due to a change in providers.	<b>427766T</b> - 01/04/02 - Customer advised by payment agent to call the PUC and request freeze to be removed. Order was processed that day to remove freeze. Customer never migrated service nor made any additional payments. We suspended service on 03/01/02 and disconnected completely on 04/17/02.
<b>453293T</b> - 05/03/02 - Complaint rests on customer's request for disconnection so that she can switch to another company. CCI had not received this request from customer, only call questioning bill. Account disconnected on 8/6/02.	<b>429471T</b> - 01/11/02 - Customer questioning billing and requesting freeze be removed. Customer had not contacted us regarding billing questions or freeze removal. Upon receiving complaint, records of account were pulled and there was no freeze on the account (must have been told this be agent). Customer did migrate service, exact date unknown.
<b>458808T</b> - 06/03/02 - Customer complaining of intermittent service. GTE has confirmed that it is an inside wiring problem and per our tariff this wiring is the customer's responsibility.	<b>429179T</b> - 01/10/02 - Customer had called in on 1/08/02 requesting disconnect. We had requested this in writing, which is our policy. Upon receipt of complaint, freeze removal was processed and customer switched providers.
<b>474122T</b> - 06/28/02 - Customer disputing bill. They had migrated to another telephone company and our bill had been mailed prior to receipt of change of service notice.	<b>430768T</b> - 01/17/02 - Customer had contacted CCI on1/17 and requested freeze to be removed. Somehow customer had been misinformed because there was no freeze on his account to be removed. Customer finally migrated service as of 2/12/02. No payments were made towards account past 1/14/02.
<b>483827T</b> - 08/15/02 - Customer complaining about delay in connection. Responded back that problem lies in BellSouth holding a pending order at an address where a balance was owed. BellSouth has since processed our order and service has now been working since	<b>429608T</b> - 01/14/02 - Customer claims that she had advised CCI that she was changing carriers and account was disconnected. CCI shows no sign of customer calling on 12/3/01 to have freeze removed. Account was suspended for non- payment on 12/29/01. At that time

8/24/02.	customer requested freeze to be removed
	but account would need to be restored first.
	Customer had made a partial payment but
	not enough for restoral and on $01/04/02$
	requested that account be completely
	disconnected. Disconnection was
	completed on 01/14/02.
	<b>427908T</b> - 01/04/02 - Customer requesting
	line to be disconnected. Customer had
	called this day and requested freeze
	removal. At this time we were charging a
	\$10 fee to make changes to customer's
	accounts. This was explained to her and
	then she called back and asked that we
	disconnect her service. Written request for
	disconnection was received on 01/07/02
	and order was processed and disconnected
	on 01/08/02.
	<b>432456T</b> - 01/25/02 - Customer had called
	CCI stating that she went with another
	company in December and was requesting
	freeze removal. We attempted to process a
	freeze removal on 1/25/02 but order was
	returned stating we were not the provider
	on the account.
	<b>432660T</b> - 01/28/02 - Customer had been a
	product of an agent (NY Extensions)
	slamming customers without their
	knowledge. Customer's freeze was
	removed and they did move service to
	another provider.
	<b>499393T</b> - 01/31/02 - Customer
	complaining that she needs freeze removed
	to switch to Florida Telephone Service.
	We have no record of customer requesting
	removal. Upon receipt of request from
	PUC, freeze was removed and customer
	migrated service on 2/11/02.
	<b>435518T</b> - 02/08/02 - Customer requested
	freeze be removed. Order processed on
	2/08 to remove freeze and completed on $2/12$ . Customer migrated corrige on $2/14$
	2/12. Customer migrated service on 2/14.
	<b>437450T</b> - $02/18/02$ - Customer had called
	on 2/18 to have freeze removed. Account
	had already been suspended on 2/13, no
	payment had been received since 12/26.

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	Due to the fact that customer was wishing
	to have service with Florida Telephone
	Service we processed a disconnect so that
	he could get his new service initiated.
	<b>441557T</b> - 03/07/02 - Customer called
	requesting freeze removal. Customer was
	instructed by the other carrier to file a
	complaint with the PUC. At the time
	complaint was received, customer's request
	was already being processed. Freeze
	removal was completed on 3/11. Customer
	is still active with CCI and never
	transferred service.
	<b>442180T</b> - 03/11/02 - Another complaint
	involving customer who never called CCI
	requesting freeze to be removed.
	Conversation with customer explaining bill
	on 3/6 but no freeze removal was
	requested. Freeze removal completed by
	BellSouth on 3/12.
	<b>443391T</b> - 03/18/02 - Winning CLEC
	advised customer to file complaint to have
	freeze removed. Customer never spoke to
	CCI with this request. Freeze was removed
	on 3/18 and customer migrated to Florida
	Telephone Service on 3/25.
	<b>445234T</b> - 3/25/02 - Florida Telephone
	Service advised customer that they could
	not switch her service due to a freeze on
her account. Customer had called	
	questioning her bill but never mentioned a
	freeze. Upon placing an order on 3/25 to
	remove a freeze, our order was returned to
	us because there was no freeze on
	customer's account.
	<b>449575T</b> - 04/16/02 - Customer stating
	CCI will not release her line so she can port
	her service to Florida Telephone Service.
	The last contact CCI had with this
	customer was when they made a payment
	commitment on $3/29/02$ to pay their
	outstanding balance. Upon receipt of
	complaint freeze was removed just as it
	would have been if customer had called us
	first.
	<b>449577T</b> - 04/16/02 - Another customer
	<b>4473//1 - 04</b> /10/02 - Another customer

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being told by Florida Telephone Service to file a PUC complaint to get line released. On 3/29 customer had called requested disconnection, then called back and requested freeze removal. Disconnection was stopped and freeze removal was placed with BellSouth on 04/04/02 order #CY81Y0H8. Customer migrated service on 05/04/02.
<b>451141T</b> - 04/23/02 - Florida Telephone Service advised customer to file complaint to have service ported to them. Customer never made call requesting removal. Last conversation CCI had with customer was concerning cable outage on 04/01/02. Freeze removal order placed on 04/23/02 and customer's migration was processed on 04/25
<b>451310T</b> - 04/24/02 - Another PUC complaint for freeze removal where customer never contacted CCI with the request. CCI did speak with the customer regarding bill on 04/18/02 and customer made a payment commitment. Freeze removal processed on 04/25/02. Customer never migrated service and service was disconnected on 6/10.
<b>451518T</b> - 04/25/02 - Broken record of complaints stemming from Florida Telephone Service advising customers to file PUC complaints to have freezes removed. No contact on this account from customer since last payment made on 04/05/02. Freeze removal processed on 04/25/02 and customer migrated service on 05/06/02. We were cited by the Commission on this one for not responding in a timely fashion, but we did forward a copy of our email response that went out on 04/29/02.
<b>454113T</b> - 05/08/02 - Customer filing complaint requesting company remove freeze. Customer had made payment commitment on 4/26 for 5/4. Called on 5/8 to extend commitment but was advised that we could not guarantee his service would

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	not be suspended since he had missed his
	commitment. No mention was made
İ	regarding freeze removal. Freeze was
	removed effective 05/10.
l	<b>458348T</b> - 05/30/02 - Customer filing
	complaint that she had been trying for a
	month to have CCI release the freeze on
	her line. Again the only mention of freeze
	removal was on this complaint. Customer
	had spoken with our representatives on
	05/06/02 and made a payment commitment
	for 05/26/02. Freeze removal was
	processed on 05/30/02.
	<b>459645T</b> - 06/06/02 - Customer advised
	that they had contacted CCI to port her
	service to Florida Telephone Service and
	CCI will not release her line. By now I
	think that everyone would agree that had
	the customer called, which they did not,
1	CCI would have gladly removed the freeze
	to avoid any further complaints. But
	obviously these customers are being used
l l	to make a point. Freeze removal request
	was honored and customer moved service.
l	<b>460388T</b> - 06/10/02 - Customer states that
	they were switching to another ALEC and
	service was disconnected. Requested
I	restoral and freeze removal. Customer had
	made payment arrangement for 5/4. Upon
	missing that commitment she spoke with a
	representative on 5/9 and made a 2nd
	commitment for 5/18. When this payment
	was not received suspension order was
	processed on 5/24 and subsequent
	disconnection order on 6/7. Ample time
	was given to customer to have a freeze
	removal processed and service migrated
	prior to suspension.
	<b>461755T -</b> 06/17/02 - Customer filing
	complaint to have freeze removed.
	Customer never contacted CCI with
	request. Freeze removal processed on 6/17.
	Florida Telephone Service processed
	migration on 6/21/02.
	<b>472810T</b> - 06/24/02 - Customer requesting freeze removal. This customer did contact
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	CCI on 6/18 requesting freeze removal.	
	Order was submitted on 6/19 and	
	confirmed back with a due date of 6/21.	
	There should have been no reason on the	
	filing date as to why customer could not	
	migrate to Florida Telephone Service at	
	that time. They did migrate on 6/24/02.	
	474159T - 06/28/02 - Customer requesting	
	freeze removal. Customer never called	
	CCI requesting removal. Freeze removal	
	order placed on 7/1 and date due of 7/9	
	received from Sprint.	
	475517T - 07/08/02 - ALEC advising	
	customer there is a freeze on his line and to	
	request removal of this freeze. Customer never called requesting freeze removal.	
	We did speak with the customer on 6/28	
	and they made a payment arrangement for	
	7/6 which was not kept. Freeze removal	
	was processed on 7/8 and customer	
	migrated service on 7/10.	
	<b>476830T</b> - 0712/02 - Customer wanting	
	freeze removed. States that she was told by	
	CCI she needed to pay \$78 for this to be	
	done. Customer had contacted CCI on	
	6/10 and requested to have a feature added.	
	It is CCI's practice that an account must be	
	up to date before orders adding features can be processed. At the time of her call her 6/1 bill was past due and we would have made the request for it to be paid. Never	
	did we receive a phone call requesting	
	freeze removal, but it was placed once	
	request was received via this complaint.	
	Freeze removal was processed and	
	completed by the LEC on $7/12/02$ .	
	<b>477716T</b> - 07/17/02 - Customer requesting	
	freeze be removed to migrate service to	
	Florida Telephone Service. No conversation with the customer since a	
	credit card payment was made on the	
	account on 6/19. Freeze removal request	
	processed on 7/17 and completed on 7/18.	
	<b>478017T</b> - 07/18/02 - Florida Telephone	
	Service migration advising customer to	
	complain to the PUC to have freeze	

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removed. Customer made payment on 6/14	
which shorted that bill for service from	
5/15 to 6/14 by \$30. Commitment was	
made for a payment of \$71.33 to be paid by	
7/13. Since no payment was received by	
7/18 account was suspended. This	
suspension was for a payment that was	
actually due on 6/15 so they have received	
a grace period of over 30 days. Suspension	
order had already been placed when	
complaint was received. (YOUR	
COMPANY ACTIVITY REPORT	
RECEIVED 8/26 SHOWS WE HAVE	
NOT RESPONDED TO THIS	
COMPLAINT. CALLED AND SPOKE	
WITH PAUL LOWRY AND HE	
ADVISED OUR RESPONSE WAS IN	
ANOTHER DEPT'S HANDS AND HE	
WOULD RETRIEVE IT FROM THEM.)	
483290T - 08/13/02 - Customer wanting to	
switch to another carrier and needs freeze	
removed. Customer had called on 8/6	
requesting freeze removal and order was	
processed on 8/07. Migrated service on	
8/14.	

## "Report Card" Recap

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Non-Freeze Related	Freeze Related
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Non-Freeze Related	Freeze Related			
# of complaints	# of complaints	Reasons for complaints	*# of complaints for reason shown	**FTS associated complaints
6	34	Customer never contacted CCI with freeze removal request	21	10
		Customer never ended up	3	-

migrating after freeze was removed		
Freeze not even on account	3	
Customer request showing confusion between freeze removal and disconnection - necessary to wait for validation before processing	2	
Customer account already suspended at time of freeze removal request	4	2
Customer product of slamming of agent - NY Extensions	1	
Customer had contacted CCI and freeze removal was already in progress	3	1

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\*Complaints may qualify for two different categories. \*\*These are only the known Florida Telephone Services affiliated complaints. Many others were not identifiable as to whom the ALEC or "other carrier" was.