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# Hublic Service Commission -M-E-M-O-R-A-N-D-U-M-

DATE: February 10, 2003

TO: Blanca Bayó, Director, Division of Commission Clerk and Administrative Services FROM: Brent R. Taylor, Bureau of Telecommunications, Division of Legal Services RE: Request for Permission from Department of Financial Services to Write-Off the RAFs for

the year 2002 for American Long Lines, Inc. (TI599).

On October 28, 2002, Docket No. 021110-TI, was established to address TI599's failure to remit RAFs for the year 2002. By Order No. PSC-02-1740-PAA-TI, issued on December 10, 2002, the Commission approved the cancellation of TI599's Interexchange Certificate No. 4826. The Commission further ordered that the outstanding Regulatory Assessment Fees not be sent to the Department of Financial Services for collection, but instead, that the Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services should request permission to write-off the uncollectible amount.

Therefore, staff requests that Bureau of Administrative Services/Fiscal Services Section take the appropriate steps to seek permission from the Department of Financial Services to write-off the uncollectible RAFs for the year 2002 for American Long Lines, Inc. (TI599).

cc: Jackie Knight Paula Isler



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# STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES

### BUREAU OF ACCOUNTING

DELINQUENT ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE TRANSMITTAL (PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

AGENCY <u>FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION</u> DATE <u>FEBUARY 10, 2003</u> PAGE <u>1</u> OF <u>1</u>				
CONTACT KAREN BELCHER, DIRECTOR, FISCAL SERVICES				
PHONE NUMBER_	(850) 413-6273			
FLAIR ACCOUNT CODE SAMAS ACCOUNT CODES: 61 50 2 573003 610100 00 000300				
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TI599				
021110TI	American Lo	ong Lines, Inc.		
Agency Reference		First	M Social Security #	DFS use only
400 Horsham	Road Horsham F	PA 19044-2140		····
Last Known Address (Include Zip)				
	(215) 442-9050	\$50.00	\$2.50/.50	\$53.00
Home Telephone	Work Phone	Principal Amount	Penalty/Interest Amount	Total
§364.366, F.S., §350	1113 F.S			
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Penalty/Interest Authority		Date Debt Incurred		Debt Type

Debt Description, e.g., Drivers License, Property Damage

2002, Regulatory Assessment Fee; 2002 Penalties and Interest

Additional Information, e.g., Date of Birth, Drivers License Number, etc

#### BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Bankruptcy cancellation by Florida Public Service Commission of IXC Certificate No. 4826 issued to American Long Lines, Inc., effective 10/25/02. DOCKET NO. 021110-TI ORDER NO. PSC-03-0049-CO-TI ISSUED: January 7, 2003

#### CONSUMMATING ORDER

#### BY THE COMMISSION:

By Order No. PSC-02-1740-PAA-TI, issued December 10, 2002, this Commission proposed to take certain action, subject to a Petition for Formal Proceeding as provided in Rule 25-22.029, Florida Administrative Code. No response has been filed to the order, in regard to the above mentioned docket. It is, therefore,

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that Order No. PSC-02-1740-PAA-TI has become effective and final. It is further

ORDERED that this docket shall be closed.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 7th day of January, 2003.

BLANCA S. BAYÓ, Director Division of the Commission elerk and Administrative Services

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In re: Bankruptcy cancellation by Florida Public Service Commission of IXC Certificate No. 4826 issued to American Long Lines, Inc., effective 10/25/02. DOCKET NO. 021110-TI
ORDER NO. PSC-02-1740-PAA-TI
ISSUED: December 10, 2002

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

LILA A. JABER, Chairman J. TERRY DEASON BRAULIO L. BAEZ MICHAEL A. PALECKI RUDOLPH "RUDY" BRADLEY

### NOTICE OF PROPOSED AGENCY ACTION ORDER GRANTING CANCELLATION OF INTEREXCHANGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CERTIFICATE DUE TO CHAPTER 11 BANKRUPTCY

#### BY THE COMMISSION:

NOTICE is hereby given by the Florida Public Service Commission that the action discussed herein is preliminary in nature and will become final unless a person whose interests are substantially affected files a petition for a formal proceeding, pursuant to Rule 25-22.029, Florida Administrative Code.

American Long Lines, Inc. (American Long Lines) currently holds Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 4826, issued by the Commission on March 18, 1997, authorizing the provision of Interexchange Telecommunications (IXC) service.

Pursuant to Section 364.336, Florida Statutes, certificate holders must pay a minimum annual RAF of \$50 if the certificate was active during any portion of the calendar year. Pursuant to Rule 25-4.0161 (2), Florida Administrative Code, the form and applicable fees are due to the Florida Public Service Commission by January 30 of the subsequent year. All entities that apply for certification receive a copy of our rules governing IXC service.

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On June 5, 2001, we received notice that American Long Lines had filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection. On October 25, 2002, we received a letter dated October 21, 2002, from the company's attorney, Mr. Paul C. Besozzi, advising that the US Bankruptcy Court for the Souther District of New York had approved the corporate dissolution and termination of existence of American Long Lines. Mr. Besozzi's letter stated that the company did not have any customers, assets or operations at the time of its termination of existence.

Chapter 11 of Section 109 of the Federal Bankruptcy Code provides for reorganization by business entities. The filing of a bankruptcy petition under Chapter 11 invokes an automatic injunction known as the Automatic Stay, codified in Bankruptcy Code Section 362. Section 362(b)(5) provides that, for governments, the filing of the petition does not operate as a stay "of the enforcement of a judgment, other than a money judgment, obtained in an actual proceeding by a governmental unit to enforce such governmental unit's police or regulatory power." (emphasis added) Thus, it would appear that we are not enjoined from exercising our police powers to protect public health, safety and welfare, but are enjoined from exercising our regulatory authority seeking to collect a debt. However, in this case, the company has requested cancellation of its certificate. Under those circumstances, this Commission is free to do so. We note that the Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services will be notified that the past due RAFs should not be sent to the Comptroller's Office for collection, but that permission for the Commission to write-off the uncollectible amount should be requested.

Accordingly, we find it appropriate to cancel IXC Certificate No. 4826, effective October 25, 2002. If American Long Lines' certificate is canceled in accordance with this Order, American Long Lines shall immediately cease and desist providing IXC services in Florida. We are vested with jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to Sections 364.336, 364.285, and 364.335, Florida Statutes.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that American Long Lines, Inc.'s Certificate No. 4826 to provide Interexchange Telecommunications services is hereby canceled, effective October 25, 2002. It is further

ORDERED that the outstanding Regulatory Assessment Fees should not be sent to the Comptroller's Office for collection. The Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services, instead, shall request permission to write-off the uncollectible amount. It is further

ORDERED that if American Long Lines, Inc.'s Certificate No. 4826 is canceled in accordance with this Order, that entity shall immediately cease and desist providing Interexchange Telecommunications services in Florida. It is further

ORDERED that the provisions of this Order, issued as proposed agency action, shall become final and effective upon the issuance of a Consummating Order unless an appropriate petition, in the form provided by Rule 28-106.201, Florida Administrative Code, is received by the Director, Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, by the close of business on the date set forth in the "Notice of Further Proceedings" attached hereto. It is further

ORDERED that in the event this Order becomes final, this docket shall be closed.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this <u>10th</u> Day of <u>December</u>, <u>2002</u>.

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Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services

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#### NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.569(1), Florida Statutes, to notify parties of any administrative hearing that is available under Section 120.57, Florida Statutes, as well as the procedures and time limits that apply. This notice should not be construed to mean all requests for an administrative hearing will be granted or result in the relief sought.

Mediation may be available on a case-by-case basis. If mediation is conducted, it does not affect a substantially interested person's right to a hearing.

The action proposed herein is preliminary in nature. Any person whose substantial interests are affected by the action proposed by this order may file a petition for a formal proceeding,

in the form provided by Rule 28-106.201, Florida Administrative Code. This petition must be received by the Director, Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, by the close of business on December 31, 2002.

In the absence of such a petition, this order shall become final and effective upon the issuance of a Consummating Order.

Any objection or protest filed in this/these docket(s) before the issuance date of this order is considered abandoned unless it satisfies the foregoing conditions and is renewed within the specified protest period.