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TO:

DIRECTOR, DIVISION OF THE COMMISSION CLERK &

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES (BAYÓ)

FROM:

DIVISION OF COMPETITIVE MARKETS & ENFORCEMENT (ISLER)

OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL (MCKAY) VSm plv

RE:

DOCKET NO. 030969-TI - CANCELLATION OF TARIFF AND REMOVAL FROM REGISTER BY FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF IXC REGISTRATION NO. TI167 ISSUED TO NATIONAL ACCOUNTS, INC. FOR VIOLATION OF SECTION 364.336, FLORIDA STATUTES.

DOCKET NO. 031011-TI - CANCELLATION OF TARIFF AND REMOVAL FROM REGISTER BY FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF IXC REGISTRATION NO. TJ641, ISSUED TO PAN AMERICAN TELECOM, INCORPORATED, FOR VIOLATION OF SECTION 364.336, FLORIDA STATUTES.

AGENDA:

01/06/08 - REGULAR AGENDA - PROPOSED AGENCY ACTION -

INTERESTED PERSONS MAY PARTICIPATE

CRITICAL DATES: NONE

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: NONE

FILE NAME AND LOCATION: S:\PSC\CMP\WP\030969.RCM

CASE BACKGROUND

The companies listed on Attachment A were mailed the 2002 Regulatory Assessment Fee (RAF) return notice and payment was due by January 30, 2003. On February 21, 2003, the Office of the General Counsel sent a delinquent notice via certified mail attempting collection of the 2002 RAF. The US Postal Service returned the certified receipts for all companies listed on Attachment A, which showed the delinquent notices were signed for and delivered.

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The Commission received correspondence from each of the companies listed on Attachment A, which requested removal from the register and cancellation of their respective tariffs. Staff wrote each of the companies listed on Attachment A and explained that staff could not recommend a voluntary cancellation until each company complied with Section 364.336, Florida Statutes. As of December 12, 2003, none of the companies listed on Attachment A have fully complied with Section 364.336, Florida Statutes, and none have any outstanding consumer complaints.

The Commission is vested with jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to Sections 364.336, 364.285, and 364.02, Florida Statutes. Accordingly, staff believes the following recommendations are appropriate.

DISCUSSION OF ISSUES

<u>ISSUE 1</u>: Should the Commission grant the companies listed on Attachment A voluntary removal from the register and cancellation of their respective tariffs?

The Commission should not grant the companies RECOMMENDATION: listed on Attachment A voluntary removal from the register and cancellation of their respective tariffs. Rather, the Commission should remove each company, as listed on Attachment A, from the register on its own motion with an effective date as listed on Attachment A. The collection of the past due fees should be referred to the Florida Department of Financial Services for further collection efforts. If a company's tariff is cancelled and its name removed from the register, as listed on Attachment A, in accordance with the Commission's Order from this recommendation, the respective company should be required to immediately cease and desist providing intrastate interexchange services in Florida. If any of the companies listed on Attachment A have their respective tariff cancelled and name removed from the register, subsequently decides to reapply for registration as an intrastate interexchange telecommunications company, that company should be required to first pay any outstanding RAF, including statutory late payment charges. (Isler; McKay)

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STAFF ANALYSIS: Section 364.336, Florida Statutes, requires the payment of Regulatory Assessment Fees by January 30 of the subsequent year for telecommunications companies, and provides for late payment charges as outlined in Section 350.113, Florida Statutes, for any delinquent amounts.

Although each of the companies listed on Attachment A requested removal from the register and cancellation of their respective tariffs, the companies have not fully complied with Section 364.336, Florida Statutes and all have a past due balance.

Accordingly, staff recommends that the Commission not grant the companies listed on Attachment A voluntary removal from the register and cancellation of their respective tariffs. Commission should remove each company, as listed on Attachment A, from the register on its own motion with an effective date as listed on Attachment A. The collection of the past due fees should be referred to the Florida Department of Financial Services for further collection efforts. If a company's tariff is cancelled and its name removed from the register, as listed on Attachment A, in accordance with the Commission's Order from this recommendation, the respective company should be required to immediately cease and desist providing intrastate interexchange services in Florida. any of the companies listed on Attachment A have their respective tariff cancelled and name removed from the register, subsequently decides to reapply for registration as an intrastate interexchange telecommunications company, that company should be required to first pay any outstanding RAF, including statutory late payment charges.

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ISSUE 2: Should these dockets be closed?

RECOMMENDATION: The Order issued from this recommendation will become final upon issuance of Consummating Order, unless a person whose substantial interests are affected by the Commission's decision files a protest within 21 days of the issuance of the Proposed Agency Action Order. These dockets should then be closed upon issuance of a Consummating Order. A protest in one docket should not prevent the action in a separate docket from becoming final. (McKay)

STAFF ANALYSIS: Whether staff's recommendation on Issue 1 is approved or denied, the result will be a Proposed Agency Action Order. If no timely protest to the Proposed Agency Action is filed within 21 days of the date of issuance of the Order, these dockets should be closed upon issuance of a Consummating Order. A protest in one docket should not prevent the action in a separate docket from becoming final.

ATTACHMENT A

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DOCKET NO.	PROVIDER LAST REPORTED REVENUES & PERIOD COVERED	REG. NO.	Effective Date of Cancellation
030969-ТІ	National Accounts, Inc. \$9,149 Revenues for Period Ended 12/31/01	TI167	04/28/03
031011-TI	Pan American Telecom, Incorporated SO Revenues for Period Ended 12/31/02	TJ641	09/11/03