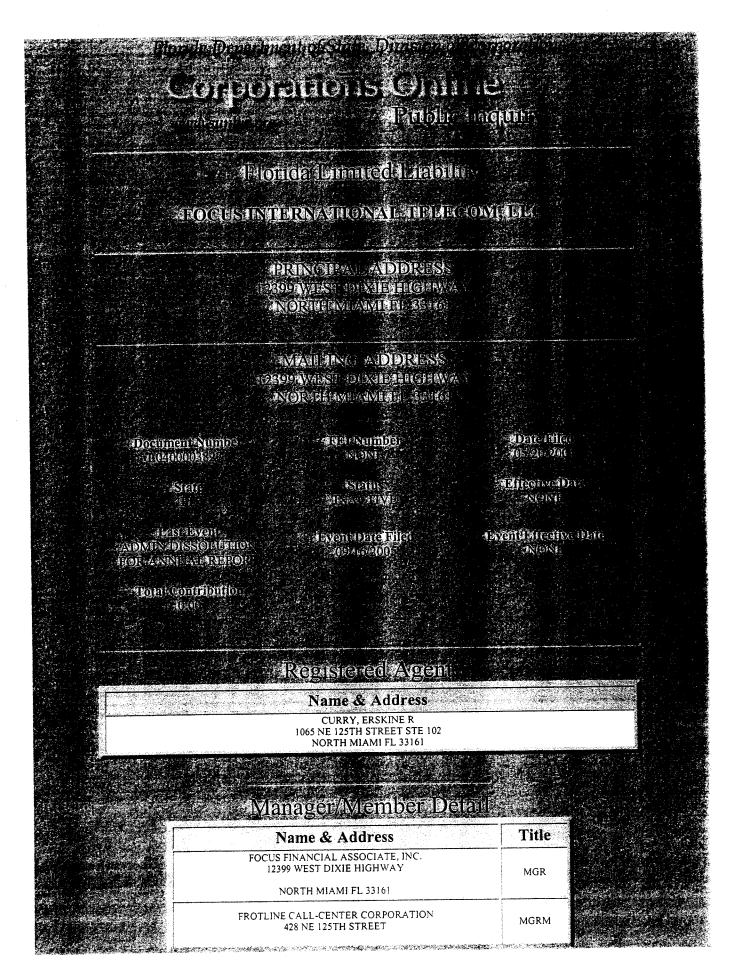
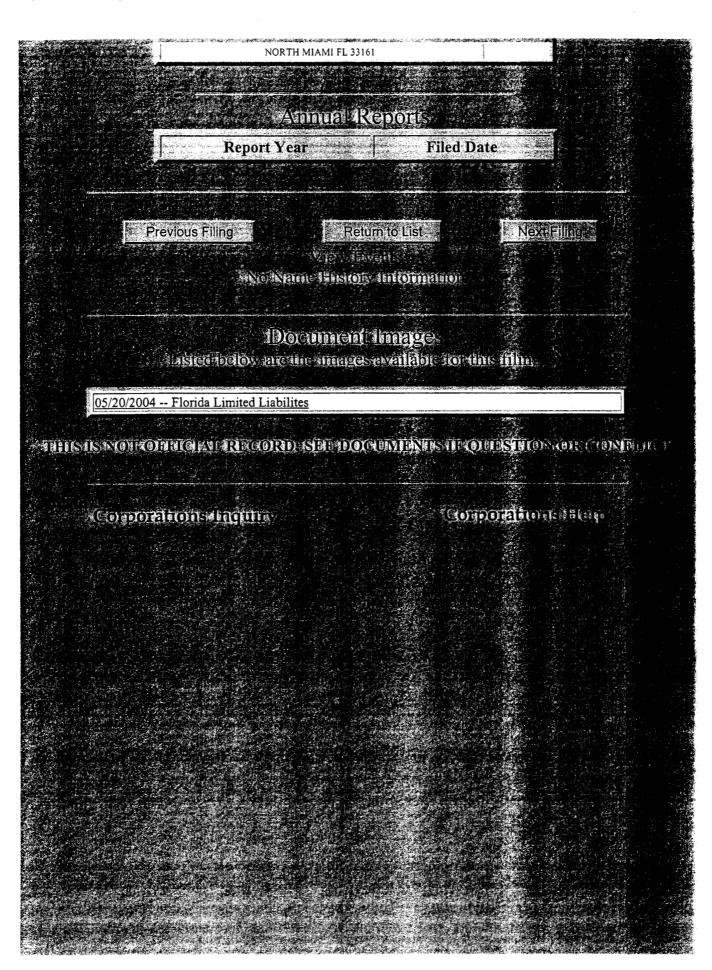
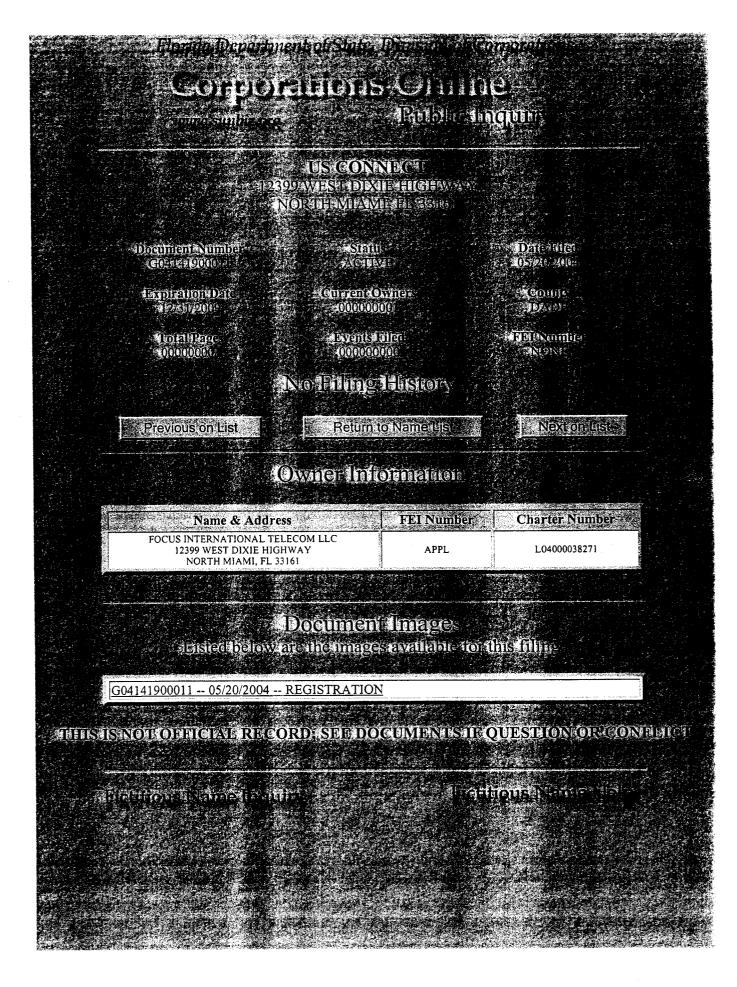
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Division of Competitive Markets & Enforcement Beth W. Salak Director (850) 413-6600

Hublic Serbice Commission

August 9, 2005

TJ922 US Connect 12399 West Dixie Highway North Miami, FL 33161-5428

Dear Sir or Madam:

On December 24, 2003, the Florida Public Service Commission issued Order No. PSC-03-1469-FOF-TL (Order) that granted the petitions filed by Incumbent Local Exchange Companies (ILECs) Verizon, Sprint, and BellSouth, to reduce their intrastate switched access charges to interstate parity. (Dockets Nos. 030867-TL, 030868-TL, 030869-TL, respectively.) The Order was appealed to the Florida Supreme Court which issued its opinion on July 7, 2005, upholding the Commission's decision.⁶¹²

The Order also addressed Docket No. 030961-TL, the flow-through of ILEC switched access reductions by Interexchange Carriers (IXCs), pursuant to Section 364.163(2), Florida Statutes.

In the Order, the Commission set forth the following requirements to be fulfilled by the IXCs:

- (1) IXCs are required to flow-through the switched access rate reductions.
- (2) IXCs are required to file tariffs within 44 days of the ILECs' filed tariffs.
- (3) The ILEC and the IXC tariffs should become effective simultaneously.
- (4) IXC rate reductions shall remain in effect for no less than one year subsequent to parity being accomplished.
- (5) IXC rate reductions should be flowed-through to residential and business customers on a pro-rata basis according to access minutes of use.

The Order differentiated among the IXCs as to what should be included in their tariff filings. The Order stated that all IXCs that paid \$1 million or more in intrastate switched access charges within the most recent 12 month period should include in their tariff filings:

(1) a calculation of the dollar benefit associated with the ILEC's intrastate access rate reductions.

⁶¹² A notice of correction was issued on July 13, 2005.

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(2) separate demonstrations that residential and business long distance rates have been reduced and the estimated annualized revenue effect, residential and business, including how those estimates were made.

(3) a demonstration that all rate reductions have been flowed through.

For IXCs that paid less than \$1 million in intrastate switched access charges within the most recent 12 month period, the Commission required them to include in their tariff filings a letter certifying as such, and that they have complied with each of the flow-through requirements as specified in Section 364.163(2), Florida Statutes. Additionally, any IXC whose intrastate switched access expense reduction is \$100 or less per month would not be obligated to flow through its reduction, but must attest to such through a letter filed with this Commission.

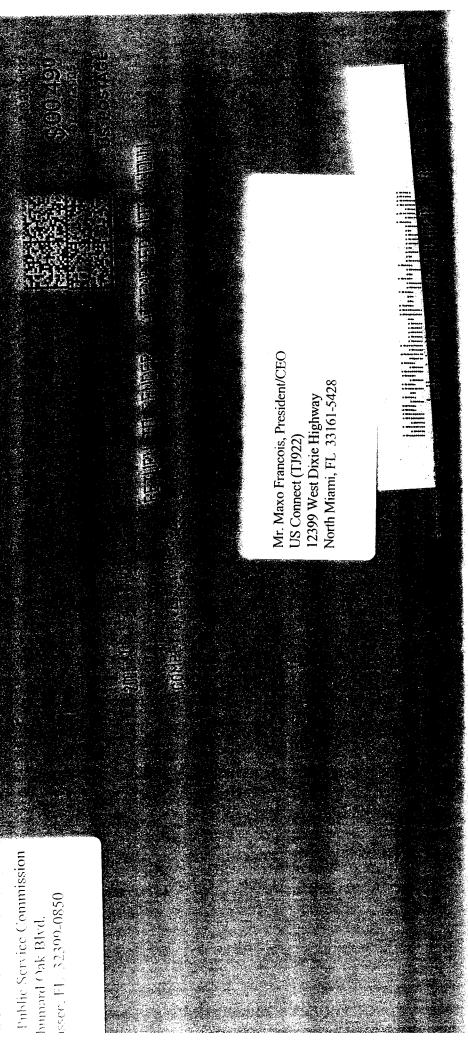
As the order requires IXCs to file tariffs within 44 days of the ILECs' filed tariffs so that the flow-through of the reductions occurs concurrently, it is recommended that your company monitor the Commission's website for the latest ILEC tariff filings. Currently, it appears the three ILECs will file their tariffs in mid September. The ILEC tariff filings can be viewed at the Commission website <u>www.FloridaPSC.com</u>. From that website click on "Telecommunications," scroll to "Tariff Information," and then click on "Search by Company" which will bring you to a list of companies to scroll through. Verizon's company code is TL710, Sprint's is TL727 and BellSouth's is TL720. If you have any questions please call Rick Wright at 850-413-6435.

Sincerely,

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Beth W. Salak Director Division of Competitive Markets & Enforcement

cc: Rick Wright, Professional Accountant Specialist, Bureau of Competitive Markets Cheryl Bulecza-Banks, Chief, Bureau of Competitive Markets



Commissioners: Braulio L. Baez, Chairman J. Terry Deason Rudolph "Rudy" Bradley Lisa Polak Edgar

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Division of Competitive Markets & Enforcement Beth W. Salak Director (850) 413-6600

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July 29, 2005

Mr. Maxo Francois, President/CEO US Connect (TJ922) 12399 West Dixie Highway North Miami, FL 33161-5428

Dear Mr. Francois:

The Regulatory Assessment Fee (RAF) is due by January 30^{th} of each year for the preceding calendar year. For certificate holders, the RAF is owed even if a telecommunications company may not have started operations or had any revenues. Since payment has not been made, statutory penalty and interest charges are now applicable. If the company owes the minimum, the amount due is <u>\$66.00</u> (\$50.00 fee, \$12.50 penalty, and \$3.50 interest).

Our records show that the 2004 RAF return notice was mailed on December 10, 2004, and a delinquent notice was mailed on February 18, 2005. As of this date, our records do not show receipt of the RAF return or payment. A copy of the 2004 RAF return form is enclosed. If full payment, including penalty and interest charges, along with the RAF return form, are not received by August 19, 2005, a docket may be established. Your company may be fined or the certificate cancelled if you do not respond. Please note that once a docket has been established, just paying the delinquent RAF amount will not prevent the company's certificate from being cancelled.

If you wish to cancel your certificate voluntarily and leave in good standing with the Commission, your company should write a letter requesting cancellation, pay the past due amount in full, complete the 2004 RAF return form, either pay the 2005 RAF or provide a date certain it will be paid, and comply with the requirements of Rule 25-24.474, Florida Administrative Code, copy enclosed. Any unpaid RAFs, including penalty and interest charges, are turned over to collections. When returning payment and a copy of the completed 2004 Regulatory Assessment Fee return form, please use the enclosed blue envelope, which will insure prompt processing.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (850) 413-6502, by fax at (850) 413-6503, by e-mail at pisler@psc.state.fl.us, or by writing to me at the address below.

Sincerely,

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Paula J. Isler Bureau of Service Quality

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Internet E-mail: contact@psc.state.fi.us

to avoid penalty and interest charges, the regulatory assessment fee return must be filed on or before 01/31/2005 Interexchange Company Regulatory Assessment Fee Return

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| 7. | LESS: Amounts Paid to Other Telecommunications Companies* | | | |
| | (see "2. Fees" on back) | () | () | |
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| 9. | Regulatory Assessment Fee Due (Multiply Line 8 by 0.0015) | | | |
| 10. | Penalty for Late Payment (see "3. Failure to File by Due Date" on back) | | | |
| 11. | Interest for Late Payment (see "3. Failure to File by Due Date" on back) | | | |
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| * These a | amounts must be intrastate only and must be verifiable. | | | |

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

| | | CURRENT COMPANY STATUS | | |
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| () Facilities-Based Carrier | () Reseller | () Call Aggregator | | |
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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/her duty shall be guilty of a misdemeanor of the second degree.

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25-24.474 Cancellation of a Certificate.

(1) The Commission may on its own motion cancel a company's certificate for any of the following reasons:

(a) Violation of the terms and conditions under which the authority was originally granted;

(b) Violation of Commission rule or order; or

(c) Violation of Florida Statutes.

(2) If a certificated company desires to cancel its certificate, it shall request cancellation from the Commission in writing and shall provide the following with its request:

- (a) Statement of intent and date to pay Regulatory Assessment Fee.
- (b) Statement of why the certificate is proposed to be cancelled.
- (c) A statement on treatment of customer deposits and final bills.
- (d) Proof of individual customer notice regarding discontinuance of service.

(3) Cancellation of a certificate shall be ordered subject to the holder providing the information required by subsection (2).

Specific Authority: 350.127(2), F. S.

Law Implemented: 350.113, 350.127(1), 364.285, 364.337, 364.345, F.S. History: New 2/23/87, amended 3/13/96.

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Public Service Commission

March 31, 2005

Mr. Maxo Francois, President & CEO Focus International Telecom, LLC d/b/a US Connect (TJ922) 12399 West Dixie Highway North Miami, FL 33161-5428

Dear Mr. Francois:

The Commission received the company's 2004 Regulatory Assessment Fee return form showing zero revenues. However, payment of the \$50 minimum Regulatory Assessment Fee (RAF) was not included. Since payment of the 2004 RAF was not postmarked by the due date of January 31, 2005, statutory late payment charges are applicable. The statutory penalty and interest charges continue to accrue until the RAF is paid. As information, the RAF is assessed if a certificate is active for any one day during a calendar year, even if a company had no revenues or ever started operations during the period covered.

Therefore, if you are not requesting cancellation of your registration (copy of the cancellation rule is enclosed), please send payment of the minimum \$50.00 2004 fee, plus the late payment charges. The total due is \$59.00 if payment is postmarked between April 2nd and May 1st (breakdown enclosed) A copy of the completed 2004 RAF return form is enclosed. When returning payment and a copy of the completed 2004 RAF return form, please use the enclosed blue envelope, which will insure prompt processing.

Please respond by April 21, 2005. In the meantime, if you have any questions, just let me know. 1 can be reached at (850) 413-6502-phone, (850) 413-6503-fax, by internet e-mail at Plsler@psc.state.fl.us, or at the address below.

Sincerely,

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| 2004 | \$50.00 | \$7.50 | \$1.50 | \$1.50 Payment was due by 01/31/05. As of 03/31/05, payment has not been received. |
| TOTAL. | \$50.00 | \$7.50 | \$1.50 | \$1.50 Total Due: \$59.00 |

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to avoid penalty and interest charges. The regulatory assessment fee return must be filed on or before 01/31/2005 Interexchange Company Regulatory Assessment Fee Return

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Address: ___

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| DATE: | June 22, 2005 |
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| FROM: | Hong Wang, Management Review Specialist, Commission Clerk & Administrative A Services |
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US Connect 12399 West Dixie Highway North Miami, FL 33161-5428

If you are successful in contacting the company, please furnish current mailing and location addresses, as well as any other updated MCD information you obtain. Thank you for assisting this division in maintaining current information in the Master Commission Directory.

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COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

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Mailing Name: US Connect Company Code: TJ922 FEID Number:

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Last modification was made on Wednesday, December 1, 2004 at 9:31 AM by David Brown

FOCUS INTERNATIONAL TELECOM, LLC D/B/A US CONNECT (TJ922) Industry: Telecommunications, Service provided: IXC Company type: Interexchange Telephone Companies Regulation date: 05/20/2004, Inactive date: Certificate number: , County: Company liaison: Maxo Francois, President/CEO Mailing address: Location address: 12399 West Dixie Highway 12399 West Dixie Highway North Miami, FL 33161-5428 North Miami, FL 33161-5428 E-mail address: max@fonefocus.com Web site: http://www.fonefocus.com Phone number: (305) 981-1123 Fax number: (305) 891-7708 Period covered: 01/01/2004 through 12/31/2004 RAF rate: Operating rev: \$0.00 Interstate rev: \$G.60 Documents: Delinquent letter mailed on 02/16/2005 RAF form mailed on 12/01/2004

MCD Company Information for TJ922

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Active 05/20/2004 No Maxo Francois President/CEO 12399 West Dixie Highway

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Acknowledgment of registration as intrastate interexchange telecommunications company effective May 20, 2004, by Focus International Telecom, LLC d/b/a US Connect.