

FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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DECEMBER 6, 2005

RE: **Docket No. 050483-TX** - Petition for designation as eligible telecommunications carrier (ETC) by Budget Phone, Inc.

Issue 1: Should Budget be granted ETC status in the State of Florida?

Recommendation: Yes. Staff recommends that Budget be granted ETC status in the Verizon and BellSouth wire centers (Shown in Attachment A of staff's November 22, 2005 memorandum). However, Budget should not be granted ETC status in Sprint's service area. Budget should be required, at the time of annual ETC recertification, to demonstrate how it has used the universal service funds within Florida. Budget should also be required to adhere to the new certification and reporting requirements as detailed in the analysis portion of staff's November 22, 2005 memorandum.

APPROVED

Approved with the understanding the approval of ETC status in Sprint's nonrural areas is contingent upon having a signed agreement with Sprint.

COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: All Commissioners

COMMISSIONERS' SIGNATURES

MAJORITY

DISSENTING

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Issue 2: Should this docket be closed?

Recommendation: Yes. If no person whose substantial interests are affected files a protest to the Commission's Proposed Agency Action within 21 days of the issuance of the Commission Order, this docket should be closed upon issuance of a consummating order.

APPROVED