

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Request for submission of proposals for relay service, beginning in June 2015, for the deaf, hard of hearing, deaf/blind, or speech impaired, and other implementation matters in compliance with the Florida Telecommunications Access System Act of 1991.

DOCKET NO. 20140029-TP
ORDER NO. PSC-2017-0291-PCO-TP
ISSUED: July 26, 2017

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

JULIE I. BROWN, Chairman
ART GRAHAM
RONALD A. BRISÉ
DONALD J. POLMANN

ORDER APPROVING APPOINTMENT OF ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBER

BY THE COMMISSION:

The Telecommunications Access System Act of 1991 (TASA), Section 427.701, Florida Statutes (F.S.), establishes a statewide telecommunications relay system. This system provides telecommunications service for the deaf, hard of hearing, deaf/blind, or speech impaired persons functionally equivalent to the service provided to hearing persons.

Section 427.706, F.S., provides that we shall appoint an advisory committee of no more than ten members to assist this Commission with the implementation of Florida's relay system. The advisory committee provides the expertise, experience, and perspective of persons who are hard of hearing, or speech impaired to the Commission and the administrator during all phases of the development and operation of the telecommunications access system. The advisory committee advises this Commission and the system administrator, Florida Telecommunications Relay, Inc., on the quality and cost-effectiveness of the telecommunications devices distribution system.

We have jurisdiction in this matter under Chapter 427, Florida Statutes.

The advisory committee shall include, among others, two members from telecommunications companies. Ms. Elizabeth Bradin is currently employed in Legislative and Regulatory Affairs for CenturyLink. Ms. Bradin's job duties include advocating company issues at the state and local level, filing CenturyLink regulatory items, and assisting with business development by working with other CenturyLink departments and outside vendors. We hereby approve the appointment of Ms. Elizabeth Bradin to the TASA Advisory Committee effective immediately.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that Ms. Elizabeth Bradin is hereby appointed to the Telecommunications Access System Act Advisory Committee effective immediately. It is further

ORDERED that this docket shall remain open.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this 26th day of July, 2017.



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time limits that apply. This notice should not be construed to mean all requests for an administrative hearing or judicial review 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.

Any party adversely affected by this order, which is preliminary, procedural or intermediate in nature, may request: (1) reconsideration within 10 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.0376, Florida Administrative Code; or (2) judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court, in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility, or the First District Court of Appeal, in the case of a water or wastewater utility. A motion for reconsideration shall be filed with the Office of Commission Clerk, in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.0376, Florida Administrative Code. Judicial review of a preliminary, procedural or intermediate ruling or order is available if review of the final action will not provide an adequate remedy. Such review may be requested from the appropriate court, as described above, pursuant to Rule 9.100, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.