

FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Item 7

VOTE SHEET

October 3, 2019

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**Docket No. 20190119-TP** – 2020 State certification under 47 C.F.R. §54.313 and §54.314, annual reporting requirements for high-cost recipients and certification of support for eligible telecommunications carriers.

**Issue 1:** Should the Commission certify to USAC and the FCC, through online certification with USAC and by electronic filing of a USAC-generated certification letter with the FCC, that BellSouth Telecommunications, LLC d/b/a AT&T Florida d/b/a AT&T Southeast; Embarq Florida, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink; Frontier Florida LLC; Frontier Communications of the South, LLC; Consolidated Communications of Florida Company; ITS Telecommunications Systems, Inc. d/b/a ITS Fiber; Knology of Florida, Inc. d/b/a WOW! Internet, Cable and Phone; Northeast Florida Telephone Company d/b/a NEFCOM; Quincy Telephone Company d/b/a TDS Telecom; Smart City Telecommunications LLC d/b/a Smart City Telecom; and Windstream Florida, LLC are eligible to receive federal high-cost support, that they have used the federal high-cost support in the preceding calendar year, and they will use the federal high-cost support they receive in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended?

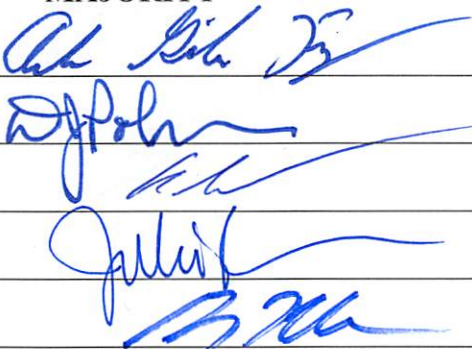
**Recommendation:** Yes. The Commission should certify to USAC and the FCC, through online certification with USAC and by electronic filing of a USAC-generated certification letter with the FCC, that BellSouth Telecommunications, LLC d/b/a AT&T Florida d/b/a AT&T Southeast; Embarq Florida, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink; Frontier Florida LLC; Frontier Communications of the South, LLC; Consolidated Communications of Florida Company; ITS Telecommunications Systems, Inc. d/b/a ITS Fiber; Knology of Florida, Inc. d/b/a WOW! Internet, Cable and Phone; Northeast Florida Telephone Company d/b/a NEFCOM; Quincy Telephone Company d/b/a TDS Telecom; Smart City Telecommunications LLC d/b/a Smart City Telecom; and Windstream Florida, LLC are eligible to receive federal high-cost support, that they have used the federal high-cost support in the preceding calendar year, and they will use the federal high-cost support they receive in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

**COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED:** All Commissioners

**COMMISSIONERS' SIGNATURES**

**MAJORITY**

**DISSENTING**



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**REMARKS/DISSENTING COMMENTS:**

Oral Modification, assigned  
DN 08992-2019, is attached.

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**APPROVED**

**Issue 2:** Should this docket be closed?

**Recommendation:** Yes. This docket should be closed upon issuance of a Final Order.

**APPROVED**

**Brian Schultz**

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**From:** Kate Hamrick  
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**Subject:** APPROVED: Request for Oral Modification to Item 7 on the October 3, 2019, Agenda

Please see the approved oral modification to Item 7, Docket No. 20190119-TP, for the October 3, 2019, Agenda.

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Approved. Thank you.

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Staff is requesting permission to make an oral modification to the recommendation filed in Docket 20190119-TP, that is scheduled to be considered at the October 3, 2019 Agenda Conference. The Commission is required to certify eligible telecommunications carriers for high-cost support by October 1<sup>st</sup> of each year, as reflected in the Critical Date listed on staff's recommendation. After the September 2019 Agenda was cancelled due to concerns from Hurricane Dorian, staff consulted with FCC staff and requested an extension of that deadline. On September 16, 2019, the FCC issued an order extending the deadline for the FPSC to October 11, 2019.

As reflected below, the requested oral modification is to change the deadline date on Page 1 under the Critical Dates header, as well as the last paragraph of the case background and supporting footnote reference on Page 4, to reflect the extension granted by the FCC.

Page 1:

**CRITICAL DATES:** ~~10/11/19~~~~10/01/19~~ (Filing deadline with the Federal Communications Commission and Universal Service Administrative Company)

Page 4:

Certification may be filed online with USAC through USAC's online portal. Immediately following online certification, the USAC website will automatically generate a letter that may be submitted electronically to the FCC to satisfy the submission requirements of 47 C.F.R. §54.314(c). In order for ~~Florida~~ carriers to be eligible for high-cost universal service support for all of calendar year 2020, certification must be submitted by the Commission by October ~~11~~, 2019.<sup>[4]</sup>

<sup>4</sup> ~~47 C.F.R. §54.314(d)(2019)FCC, Order DA-19-197, released September 16, 2019, <https://www.fcc.gov/document/wcb-waives-54314-deadline-fl-psc-until-october-11>, accessed September 17, 2019.~~

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<sup>[4]</sup> FCC, Order DA-19-197, released September 16, 2019, <https://www.fcc.gov/document/wcb-waives-54314-deadline-fl-psc-until-october-11>, accessed September 17, 2019.