

add
ST
T

MASON, ERWIN & HORTON, P.A.
ATTORNEYS AT LAW
1311-A PAUL RUSSELL ROAD, SUITE 101
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA 32301

**ORIGINAL
COPY**

Edwin L. Mason
David B. Erwin
Norman H. Horton, Jr.

(904) 878-7138

July 15, 1991

Steve Tribble, Director
Division of Records and Reporting
Florida Public Service Commission
101 East Gaines Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

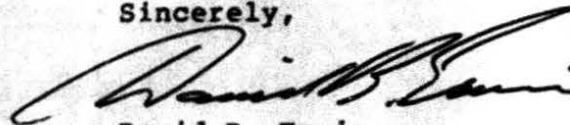
In re: Proposed amendment to Rules 25-4.107 F.A.C. and 25-4.108
F.A.C. - Information to customers and extended payment
plan for service connection charges.
Docket No. 900959-TP

Dear Mr. Tribble:

Enclosed please find 15 copies of Late Filed Exhibit No. 7
filed on behalf of Quincy Telephone Company, as a result of
agreement reached at the rule hearing on July 12, 1991.

Copies are being sent to parties in accordance with the
attached certificate of service.

Sincerely,



David B. Erwin

- ACK
- AFA
- APP
- CAF
- DMU DBE:lmh
- CTR Attachment
- JAG
- LEG
- MIN 64 orig
- RPC
- RCH
- SEC
- WAS
- OTH

DOCUMENT NUMBER-DATE

07169 JUL 15 1991

PSC-RECORDS/REPORTING

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Proposed amendment to)
Rules 25-4.107 F.A.C. and 25-4.108)
F.A.C.-Information to customers)
and extended payment plan for)
service connection charges.)

Docket No. 900959-TP

The proposed amendment to rule 25-4.107, F.A.C., information to customers, and rule 25-4.108, F.A.C., initiation of service pertaining to extended payment plans for the payment of service connection charges, will result in the following increased costs to Quincy Telephone Company (Quincy) and to our ratepayers:

1. The proposed amendments would require that all residential customers be informed during the initial contact when requesting service from local exchange companies of the availability of the Company's installment plan for payment of service connection charges. Quincy estimates that it will require some additional contact time with the customer to discuss the particulars required by the proposed rule amendments. This additional contact time will increase the cost of each contact and add to the cost of providing service.
2. Residential customers, regardless of their ability to pay, will be enticed by the perceived advantage of extended payment periods. Quincy's cash flows will be reduced if a significant amount of customers use the extended payment plan. This in turn will increase the cost of providing service to the detriment of the ratepayers in general.
3. Quincy has an influx of migrant worker customers in the spring and fall who do not maintain service for three months after their service is initially connected. Some customers will not pay their service connection charges when due. It is the opinion of Quincy that the proposed rules will cause an increase in collection costs and an increase in uncollectibles. These increases in collection costs and uncollectibles will result in yet another program where one group of subscribers subsidizes another.

DOCUMENT NUMBER-DATE

07169 JUL 15 1991

PSC-RECORDS/REPORTING

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE
DOCKET NO. 900959**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a correct copy of the foregoing has been furnished by U.S. Mail or hand-delivery to the following parties on this 15th day of July, 1991.

Alan Berg
United Telephone Company of Florida
Post Office Box 5000
Altamonte Springs, Florida 32716-5000

Kim Caswell
GTE Florida Incorporated
Post Office Box 110 MC 7
Tampa, Florida 33601

Harry Lightsey
C/O Marshall Criser III
Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph
150 South Monroe Street
Suite 400
Tallahassee, Florida 32301

Bill Wyrrough
Staff Attorney
Florida Public Service Commission
101 East Gaines Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Frederick Parker
Quincy Telephone Company
Post Office Box 189
Quincy, Florida 32351

Charles Dennis
Indiantown Telephone System, Inc.
15925 S.W. Warfield Boulevard
Indiantown, Florida 34956

John Carroll
Northeast Florida Telephone Company, Inc.
130 N. Fourth Street
MacClenny, Florida 32063-0485



David B. Erwin