BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Proposed tariff filing to waive nonrecurring charges for service rearrangements for interexchange carriers to reconfigure their switched access transport facilities by GTE FLORIDA INCORPORATED

) DOCKET NO. 930615-TL) ORDER NO. PSC-93-1257-FOF-TL) ISSUED: August 30, 1993

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

J. TERRY DEASON, Chairman THOMAS M. BEARD SUSAN F. CLARK JULIA L. JOHNSON

ORDER APPROVING TARIFF FILING
AND

NOTICE OF PROPOSED AGENCY ACTION

TO ALLOW ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL OF COMPARABLE FILINGS
BY OTHER LOCAL EXCHANGE COMPANIES

BY THE COMMISSION:

I. TARIFF

On June 17, 1993, GTE Florida Incorporated (GTEFL or the Company) filed tariff revisions proposing to waive certain nonrecurring charges (NRCs) for service rearrangements. With this filing, the Company is proposing to waive NRCs for service connection when a customer converts trunks from tandem switched to direct-trunked or from direct-trunked to tandem switched. NRCs will also be waived if a customer orders the discontinuance of overprovisioned trunks. The interexchange carriers (IXCs) are expected to perform these network reconfigurations in response to the implementation of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in CC Docket 91-213, released on October 16, 1992.

By Order No. PSC-93-0484-FOF-TL, issued April 1, 1993, the Commission approved BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company's (Southern Bell's) tariff filing allowing IXCs to reconfigure their switched transport facilities without incurring a Service Rearrangement Charge.

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GTEFL's tariff filing mirrors Southern Bell's filing, eliminating the \$125.41 non-recurring rearrangement charge to the IXCs. The IXCs will still incur a Design Change Charge of \$34.14 per service rearrangement, per occurrence. The Company proposes that the NRCs be waived until April 30, 1994.

We believe that GTEFL's filing is reasonable considering the FCC's long-term rate structure and pricing approach with regard to expanded interconnection and the accompanying increasingly competitive environment in the transport arena. This nonrecurring charge waiver has a minimal revenue effect and will foster more economic utilization of the network which will improve GTEFL's competitive position.

II. PROPOSED AGENCY ACTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the Florida Public Service Commission that the action discussed hereir is preliminary in nature and will become final unless a person whose interests are adversely affected files a petition for a formal proceeding, pursuant to Rule 25-22.029, Florida Administrative Code.

Both Southern Bell and GTEFL have filed tariffs proposing to waive the NRCs, as indicated above. The FCC has ruled that the IXCs shall be allowed to reconfigure their networks without incurring a Service Rearrangement Charge until May 1, 1993. Thus, other LECs may be filing tariffs to waive the NRCs. Accordingly, we find it appropriate to direct administrative approval of any NRC waiver tariff that mirrors the Southern Bell and GTEFL filings, until October 1, 1993.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that GTE Florida Incorporated's tariff proposal to waive certain nonrecurring charges for service rearrangements is hereby approved effective August 3, 1993. It is further

ORDERED that if a protest is filed in accordance with the requirement set forth below, the tariff shall remain in effect with any increase in revenues held subject to refund pending resolution of the protest. It is further

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ORDERED that, until October 1, 1993, any local exchange company tariff filing for waiver of nonrecurring charges that mirrors this filing shall be approved administratively, within 30 days of receipt by the Commission. It is further

ORDERED that if no protest is filed in accordance with the requirements set forth below, this docket shall be closed.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this 30th day of August, 1993.

TEVE TRIBBLE, Director

Division of Records and Reporting

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NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.59(4), Florida Statutes, to notify parties of any administrative hearing or judicial review of Commission orders that is available under Sections 120.57 or 120.68, Florida Statutes, as well as the procedures and 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.

The Commission's decision on the tariff is interim in nature and will become final, unless a person whose substantial interests are affected by the action proposed files a petition for a formal proceeding, as provided by Rule 25-22.036(4), Florida

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form provided by Rule the Administrative Code, in 25-22.036(7)(a)(d) and (e), Florida Administrative Code. The proposed agency action portion of this order is preliminary in nature and will not become effective or final, except as provided by Rule 25-22.029, Florida Administrative Code. Any person whose substantial interests are affected by the action proposed by this order may file a petition for a formal proceeding, as provided by Rule 25-22.029(4), Florida Administrative Code, in the form provided by Rule 25-22.036(7)(a) and (f), Florida Administrative Code. The petition addressing either the tariff or the proposed agency action must be received by the Director, Division of Records and Reporting at his office at 101 East Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0870, by the close of business on September 20, 1993.

In the absence of such a petition, this order shall become final on the day subsequent to the above date.

Any objection or protest filed in this docket before the issuance date of this Order is considered arandoned unless it satisfies the foregoing conditions and is renewed within the specified protest period.

If this Order becomes final on the date described above, any party adversely affected may request judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility or by the First District Court of Appeal in the case of a water or wastewater utility by filing a notice of appeal with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting and filing a copy of the notice of appeal and the filing fee with the appropriate court. This filing must be completed within thirty (30) days of the date this Order becomes final, pursuant to Rule 9.110, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure. The notice of appeal must be in the form specified in Rule 9.900(a), Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.