

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Request for approval of) DOCKET NO. 940114-TL
tariff filing to introduce Frame) ORDER NO. PSC-94-0415-FOF-TL
Relay Service into the Access) ISSUED: April 11, 1994
Tariff by GTE FLORIDA)
INCORPORATED (T-94-041 FILED)
1/26/94)
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The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

J. TERRY DEASON, Chairman
SUSAN F. CLARK
JULIA L. JOHNSON
DIANE K. KIESLING
LUIS J. LAUREDO

ORDER APPROVING TARIFF FILING

BY THE COMMISSION:

On January 26, 1994 GTE Florida Incorporated (GTEFL) filed a tariff to introduce Frame Relay Service into its Access Services Tariff. Frame Relay Service is a fast packet network service that permits the transmission of packet data at speeds from 56 kilobits per second (Kbps) to 1.544 megabits per second (Mbps). GTEFL seeks approval to add Frame Relay Service to its Facilities for Intrastate Access Tariff. This means that an interexchange company can transport Frame Relay data from its point of presence (POP) to locations outside of GTEFL's service area via its own packet switching network.

Frame Relay Service is already being offered in the General Subscriber tariff. The technical provisioning of the proposed Frame Relay Service in the Access tariff is identical to the technical provisioning of Frame Relay Service in the General Subscriber tariff. The difference between this proposal and the currently tariffed Frame Relay Service is that the currently tariffed Frame Relay Service is for intraLATA service only, while the proposed tariff offers IXCs the option of buying Frame Relay Service. Offering Frame Relay Service in the Access tariff provides end-users with another alternative for transporting fast packet data outside of their local service area.

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GTEFL expects revenues to increase from \$275,437 during the first year to \$2,146,503 in the fifth year. Annual costs are expected to increase from \$196,327 in the first year to \$1,520,783 in the fifth year. Annual contribution is expected to increase during the same period from \$79,110 to \$625,720.

The introduction of Frame relay Service into the company's access tariff provides end-users with an alternative for transmitting data via a frame relay network across LATA boundaries and this is in the public interest. Therefore, we approve GTEFL's proposal to introduce Frame Relay Service into the company's access tariff, effective March 25, 1994.

Based on the foregoing, it is

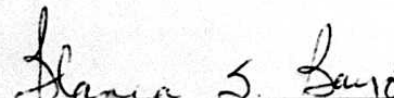
ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that the tariff filing by GTE Florida Incorporated proposing to provide Frame Relay Service into its Access Services Tariff is approved as set forth in the body of this Order. It is further

ORDERED that this tariff shall be effective March 25, 1994. 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

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

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 11th day of April, 1994.



BLANCA S. BAYO, 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 this 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 Administrative Code, in the form provided by Rule 25-22.036(7)(a)(d) and (e), Florida Administrative Code. This petition 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 May 2, 1994.

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 abandoned 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.