BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Implementation of Florida Telecommunications Access System Act of 1991.

) DOCKET NO. 910496-TP) ORDER NO. PSC-94-0956-FOF-TP) ISSUED: August 8, 1994

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

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

NOTICE OF PROPOSED AGENCY ACTION GRANTING WAIVER TO GTE ON BILLING INSERT DATE

BY THE COMMISSION:

Notice is hereby given by the Florida Public Service Commission that the action discussed herein is preliminary in nature and will become final unless a person whose interests are substantially affected files a petition for a final proceeding pursuant to Rule 25-22.029, Florida Administrative Code.

GTE Florida filed a request that it be allowed to advance its billing insert date for customer notification of the Telecommunication Access System Act (TASA) surcharge increased rate to its October 1994 billing. This would mean a waiver of PSC Order 94-0704-TP to file the notice of the increased surcharge in November. At the July 19, 1994, Commission Conference we addressed Commission Rule 25-4.079, Florida Administrative the request. Code, requires all local exchange companies (LECs) to mail the availability of information to customers regarding telecommunications services to hearing and/or speech impaired individuals on an annual basis. Approval of GTE's petition would allow GTE Florida to mail the billing insert containing notice of the TASA surcharge increase along with requirements contained within Rule 25-4.079 in the October 1994 billing. This is not to be construed as an advanced billing and collection of the increased TASA surcharge rate, but just notification that the services are available and that the surcharge is increasing.

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This will save GTE considerable expense associated with employee labor needed to develop, print and mail a separate insert again in November. GTE estimates these costs to be between \$7,000 to \$8,000 dollars. The cost savings and the proximity of the bill insert to the date of the increase persuaded us to grant the waiver.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that the above-discussed waiver is granted.

It is further

ORDERED that this docket remain open.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 8th day of August, 1994.

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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. ORDER NO. PSC-94-0956-FOF-TP DOCKET NO. 910496-TP PAGE 3

The action proposed herein 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. This petition must be received by the Director, Division of Records and Reporting, 101 East Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0870, by the close of business on <u>August 29, 1994</u>.

In the absence of such a petition, this order shall become effective on the day subsequent to the above date as provided by Rule 25-22.029(6), Florida Administrative Code.

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 and effective 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 effective date of this order, 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.