## BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Request for approval of tariff filing to introduce Advanced Digital Services-PRA, a new optional business service (ISDN-PRA), by ALLTEL Florida, Inc. (T-98-0486 filed 4/14/98)

DOCKET NO. 980551-TL ORDER NO. PSC-98-0732-FOF-TL ISSUED: May 27, 1998

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

JULIA L. JOHNSON, Chairman J. TERRY DEASON SUSAN F. CLARK JOE GARCIA E. LEON JACOBS, JR.

## ORDER APPROVING TARIFF

## BY THE COMMISSION:

On April 14, 1998, ALLTEL Florida, Inc., (ALLTEL or the Company) filed a tariff to introduce Advanced Digital Services-Primary Rate Access. Primary Rate Access is an optional service arrangement, configured as 24 PBX Trunks, that uses the Integrated Services Digital Network (ISDN) architecture to provide customers with the capability to transmit voice and data simultaneously over the same digital facility. Under various optional arrangements, PRA provides customers with access to Circuit Switched Voice Services and Circuit Switched Data Services, over a facility that is comparable to a 1.544 megabits per second (Mbps) DS1 carrier (T1 facility). The typical PRA Access Facility configuration is known as 23B+D, where twenty-three (23) of the channels are B (Bearer) and one is D (Delta). The B channels are bi-directional synchronous and capable of supporting digital transmission speeds of 56 kilobits per second (kbps) or 64 kbps, where available. The D channel is a 56 or 64 kb digital signaling channel that carries signaling and control for the B channels.

We believe that customers will benefit from this service because it will allow them greater access to the public switched network. With the simultaneous transmission of voice and data over the same facility, ADS-PRA will allow customers to maximize the use DOCUMENT NUMBER-DATE

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of their facilities, thus adding value for the customers. ADS-PRA service will allow the Company to meet the high speed voice and data needs of its customers.

We have reviewed the cost data provided by the Company. We believe that the proposed rates for this service will more than adequately cover incremental costs and provide a reasonable contribution to the Company. ALLTEL has projected that the annual revenue impact of this tariff filing will be a net increase of \$25,000. This will raise ALLTEL's achieved Return On Equity (ROE) to 10.90%, an increase of 0.04%. The Company's authorized midpoint ROE is 11.50%.

We approve ALLTEL's tariff filing to introduce Advanced Digital Services-Primary Rate Access (ADS-PRA) effective May 13, 1998.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that ALLTEL Florida, Inc.'s, request for approval of new optional business service Advanced Digital Services-PRA (ISDN-PRA) tariff is approved. It is further

ORDERED that the tariff shall be effective May 13, 1998. It is further

ORDERED that if a protest is filed in accordance with the requirements 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 requirements set forth below, this docket shall be closed.

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By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this  $\underline{27th}$  day of  $\underline{May}$ ,  $\underline{1998}$ .

BLANCA S. BAYÓ, 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 120.569(1), 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.

Mediation may be available on a case-by-case basis. If mediation is conducted, it does not affect a substantially interested person's right to a hearing.

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, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, by the close of business on June 17, 1998.

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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.