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FROM: DIVISION OF LEGAL SERVICES (WATTS)

RE: DOCKET NO. 981174-TC - In re: Cancellation by Florida Public Service Commission of Pay Telephone Certificate No. 2704 issued to Phone Plus, Inc., for violation of Rule 25-4.0161, F.A.C., Regulatory Assessment Fees; Telecommunications Companies.

99-0177-FOF

Attached is a Notice of Proposed Agency Action Order Accepting Settlement Offer to be issued in the above-referenced docket. (Number of pages in order - 4)

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## BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Cancellation by Florida Public Service Commission of Pay Telephone Certificate No. 2704 issued to Phone Plus, Inc., for violation of Rule 25-4.0161, F.A.C., Regulatory Assessment Fees; Telecommunications Companies. DOCKET NO. 981174-TC ORDER NO. PSC-99-0177-FOF-TC ISSUED: January 29, 1999

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

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

## NOTICE OF PROPOSED AGENCY ACTION ORDER ACCEPTING SETTLEMENT OFFER

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 formal proceeding, pursuant to Rule 25-22.029, Florida Administrative Code.

Phone Plus, Inc. currently holds Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 2704, issued by the Commission on May 7, 1991, authorizing the provision of pay telephone service. This docket was opened to cancel Phone Plus, Inc.'s certificate, unless Phone Plus, Inc. paid its delinquent 1997 regulatory assessment fees and one-half of the 1996 RAF, which were due by January 30, 1998, along with statutory penalties and interest for the year 1992, 1993, 1996, and 1997. After the docket was opened, but prior to staff filing a recommendation, Phone Plus, Inc. called

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and advised he wanted to keep his certificate, would pay the past due amounts, and made a settlement proposal. This company has since paid all past due charges, including penalties and interest, submitted a proposed settlement offer of \$100, and agreed to take the necessary corrective action.

Pursuant to Rule 25-24.520, Florida Administrative Code, each company is allowed 10 days after a change occurs to file updated information indicating any changes in the certificate holder's address (including street name and address, post office box, city), telephone number and any change in the name and address of the individual who is serving as primary liaison with the commission. We find it appropriate to accept the \$100 settlement offer for failure to comply with the Commission rules. The settlement shall be paid to the Florida Public Service Commission and forwarded to the Office of the Comptroller for deposit in the State General Revenue Fund pursuant to Section 364.285(1), Florida Statutes. When the settlement is received, this docket shall be closed.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that Phone Plus, Inc. shall pay all past due regulatory assessment fees, including statutory penalties and interest and a \$100 settlement offer to the Florida Public Service Commission for failure to comply with Section 364.336, Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-4.0161, Florida Administrative Code, within five business days from the date this Order becomes final. The fine shall be transmitted to the Comptroller for deposit in the State of Florida General Revenue Fund. It is further

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that Phone Plus, Inc. shall provide the information required by Rule 25-24.520, F.A.C. within five business days from the date this Order becomes final. It is further

ORDERED that the provisions of this Order, issued as proposed agency action, shall become final and effective unless an appropriate petition, in the form provided by Rule 25-22.036, Florida Administrative Code, is received by the Director, Division of Records and Reporting, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, by the close of business on the date set forth in the "Notice of Further Proceedings or Judicial Review" attached hereto. It is further ORDER NO. PSC-99-0177-FOF-TC DOCKET 981174-TC PAGE 3

ORDERED that in the event this Order becomes final, this docket shall be closed upon payment of the settlement.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 29th day of January, 1999.

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 action proposed herein is preliminary in nature. Any person whose substantial interests are affected by the action proposed by this order may file a petition for a formal proceeding, in the form provided by Rule 28-106.201, 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 February 19, 1999. ORDER NO. PSC-99-0177-FOF-TC DOCKET 981174-TC PAGE 4

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In the absence of such a petition, this order shall become effective 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 and effective on the date described above, any party substantially 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.