

Southeastern Services, Inc.

May 26, 1999

Florida Public Service Commission Division of Records and Reporting 2540 Shumard oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Fl. 32399

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RE: NOTICE OF INTENT TO REMOVE EXEMPTION

Dear Records and Reporting:

On May 12, 1999, Southeastern Services, Inc. wrote to NEFCOM seeking to enter into an interconnect agreement as outlined in the Section 251 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. On May 13, 1999, a response was written by Ms. Deborah L. Nobles, Director of Revenue Requirements & Regulatory Affairs, of NEFCOM. A copy of the letter is attached. Ms. Nobles cited NEFCOM's exemption as defined by TA96 in Sec. 3(a)(47).

Therefore, as detailed in Section 251(f)(1)(B) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Southeastern Services, Inc. petitions the Florida Public Service Commission to terminate the exemption heretofore afforded NEFCOM.

It is my interpretation of the Act that NEFCOM must show that this request is unduly economically burdensome, technically infeasible, and is inconsistent with Section 254. If all the above conditions of proof are not adequately met by NEFCOM, the Florida Public Service Commission will terminate the exemption and establish an implementation schedule for compliance with our request that is consistent in time and manner with Commission regulations.

Thank you for your time and help in this important matter.

Sincerely,

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Mark Woods President

cc: Ms. Kathy Bedelle (via fascimile) Mr. Mike Barrett Ms. Deborah Nobles

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Northeast Florida Telephone Company, Inc.

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May 13, 1999

Mr. Mark Woods, President Southeastern Services, Inc. P.O. Box 365 Macclenny, Florida 32063

RE: Request for Resale Agreement

Dear Mr. Woods:

Thank you for your letter dated May 12, 1999, regarding your company's interest in negotiating an Interconnection & Resale Agreement with Northeast Florida Telephone Company, Inc. ("Northeast"). Based on your letter, it is my understanding that Southeastern Services, Inc. ("Southeastern") is an alternative local exchange carrier ("ALEC") properly certificated by the Florida Public Service Commission to operate in the State of Florida and that Southeastern wishes to purchase all eligible residential and business telecommunications services provided by Northeast for resale to end users. Northeast would be happy to begin discussions with your company in this regard in accordance with the provisions of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 ("TA96" or "the Act").

Northeast serves approximately 8,800 access lines and is a rural telephone company as defined by TA96 in Sec. 3(a)(47). As a rural telephone company, Northeast is exempt from the resale requirements contained in Sec. 251(c) of the Act. Without waiving any of its rights under the Act, Northeast is, however, willing to discuss the resale requirements contained in Sec. 251(b) of the Act, which allows for the purchase of Northeast's eligible telecommunications services for resale at retail rates.

Please contact me at 259-0639 if you have any questions concerning this letter or if you wish to establish a date and time to meet to discuss your requirements.

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Deborah L. Nobles Director of Revenue Requirements & Regulatory Affairs

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