



January 27, 2000

Ms. Blanco Bayo Director, Division of Records and Reporting Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Re: Dockets Nos. 991833-T1 & 991967-TX

North American Telecommunications Corp d/b/a

Southeast Telephone Company

Dear Ms. Bayo,

On January 3, 2000, I sent to you the attached letter regarding the first of the above referenced dockets. On January 18, 2000 I received a Case Assignment and Scheduling Record for the second docket. The facts discussed in my January 3 letter which concern North American's IXC certificate apply equally to the second docket which relates to our local exchange certificate. As with the first docket, I believe that steps have been taken to avoid the problem from recurring. Also, I understand that the fees required for 1998 for both certificates have now been submitted, as have the fees for both certificates for 1999 that are due as of 2/1/2000. I would also make the same suggestion to resolve this second docket as in my earlier letter concerning the first docket; i.e. that North American make a payment of \$100.00 for its failure to timely remit the regulatory assessment fee for each certificate.

Sincerely

Saul Fisher

Vice President—Legal and Regulatory Affairs

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Ms Isler suggested that I write to you regarding resolution of the pending case against the company now that the fees have been paid. I assure you that this was a pure oversight without any intent to avoid our obligations to the Commission. Florida is a key market for North American. We have made significant investments in Florida, and have plans to invest a great deal more in the state over the next twelve months.

In light of the above we are requesting that the Commission dismiss this action to cancel our interexchange certificate. To facilitate dismissal North American is prepared to voluntarily pay an appropriate penalty as a settlement of any claims. Under the circumstances, we would suggest a payment of \$100.00.

We are hopeful that the Commission will accept this proposal. On behalf of North American, I apologize to the Commission for any inconvenience caused by this oversight.

Sincerely

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