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DATE:

AUGUST 3, 2000

TO:

DIRECTOR, DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING (BATO)

FROM:

DIVISION OF LEGAL SERVICES (CALDWELL)

DIVISION OF COMPETITIVE SERVICES (M. WATTS)

RE:

DOCKET NO. 000229-TX - INITIATION OF SHOW CAUSE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST BURNO INC. D/B/A INTEGRA PAGING FOR APPARENT VIOLATION OF SECTION 364.183(1), F.S., ACCESS TO

COMPANY RECORDS.

AGENDA:

08/15/00 - REGULAR AGENDA - INTERESTED PERSONS MAY

PARTICIPATE

CRITICAL DATES: NONE

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: NONE

FILE NAME AND LOCATION: S:\PSC\CMP\WP\000229.RCM

CASE BACKGROUND

- March 10, 1998 Burno Inc. d/b/a Integra Paging (Integra) obtained Florida Public Service Commission Alternative Local Exchange Company Certificate Number 5334.
- June 25, 1999 Staff mailed a certified letter requesting information necessary for inclusion in the local competition report required of the Commission by Section 364.386, Florida Statutes. Staff requested a response by August 6, 1999.
- July 6, 1999 Integra signed for and received the certified letter (Attachment A, page 5).
- December 6, 1999 Staff sent a second certified letter requesting Integra respond to the data request no later than December 22, 1999.

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- December 8, 1999 Integra signed for and received the certified letter (Attachment A, page 5).
- February 22, 2000 After receiving no response to its June 25, 1999 and December 6, 1999 certified letters, staff opened this docket to investigate whether Integra should be required to show cause why it should not be fined or have its certificate canceled for apparent violation of Section 364.183(1), Florida Statutes, Access to Company Records.
- April 12, 2000 Commission Order No. PSC-00-0678-SC-TX was issued to show cause Integra for apparent violation of Section 364.183(1), Florida Statutes, Access to Company Records.
- July 31, 2000 Integra submitted an offer to settle this case (Attachment B, pages 6-7).

DISCUSSION OF ISSUES

ISSUE 1: Should the Commission accept the settlement offer proposed by Burno Inc. d/b/a Integra Paging to resolve the apparent violation of Section 364.183(1), Florida Statutes, Access to Company Records?

RECOMMENDATION: Yes. The Commission should accept the company's settlement proposal. Any contribution should be received by the Commission within twenty business days from the issuance date of the Commission Order and should identify the docket number and company name. The Commission should forward the contribution to the Office of the Comptroller for deposit in the State of Florida General Revenue Fund pursuant to Section 364.285 (1), Florida Statutes. If the company fails to pay in accordance with the terms of the settlement offer, the company's certificate should be canceled, and this docket should be closed. (M. Watts)

STAFF ANALYSIS: On July 31, 2000, Integra sent a settlement offer (Attachment B, pages 6-7) in response to Commission Order No. PSC-00-0678-SC-TX. In its settlement offer, Integra proposed the following:

A monetary settlement of \$3,500.

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Implementation of procedures to prevent this from reoccurring.

Integra received and signed for both certified letters (Attachment A, page 5), and still did not provide the requested information. The Commission has approved settlement offers of \$3,500 and \$4,000 from other companies that neither provided the requested information nor presented evidence of reasonable mitigating factors to account for its failure to provide the information.

Therefore, staff believes the terms of the settlement agreement as summarized in this recommendation are fair and reasonable, and we support Integra's offer of settlement. Any contribution should be received by the Commission within twenty business days from the issuance date of the Commission Order and should identify the docket number and company name. The Commission should forward the contribution to the Office of the Comptroller for deposit in the State of Florida General Revenue Fund pursuant to Section 364.285 (1), Florida Statutes. If the company fails to pay in accordance with the terms of the settlement offer, the company's certificate should be canceled, and this docket should be closed.

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ISSUE 2: Should this docket be closed?

RECOMMENDATION: No. With the approval of Issue 1, this docket should remain open pending the remittance of the \$3,500 settlement payment. Upon remittance of the settlement payment, this docket should be closed. If the company fails to pay in accordance with the terms of the settlement offer, the company's certificate should be canceled, and this docket should be closed. (Caldwell)

STAFF ANALYSIS: With the approval of Issue 1, this docket should remain open pending the remittance of the \$3,500 settlement payment. Upon remittance of the settlement payment, this docket should be closed. If the company fails to pay in accordance with the terms of the settlement offer, the company's certificate should be canceled, and this docket should be closed.

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Ms. Melinda Watts Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399

> Offer of Settlement: Re:

Docket No. 00029-TX

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Dear Melinda:

This letter follows our earlier conversations regarding an offer of settlement on behalf of our client, Integra Paging. As we have previously indicated, Mr. Don Burno is the CEO of Integra Paging, and he was not aware that Integra had failed to comply with information requests by the Commission last year. Unfortunately, due to the misfeasance of one of his employees, the Commission's requests were not complied with. Mr. Burno has corrected this situation by terminating the employee who caused this situation, and has implemented procedures to insure that he will personally handle all future document requests by the Commission, and that the failure to supply the requested information will not happen again in the future.

In the interest of resolving this matter, Mr. Burno is proposing to pay \$3,500 in settlement of this matter, payment to be made within 20 days after approval of the settlement by the Commission. We hope that you will find this proposal satisfactory, but will be happy to discuss its terms if any of them need to be altered slightly.

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With best regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

R. Dean Cannon, Jr.

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cc:

Mr. Don Burno

Ms. Diana W. Caldwell (via facsimile)