BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Application for approval of transfer of and name change on existing ALEC Certificate No. 5636 from Express Title Financial Corporation d/b/a Express Loans to Express Phone Service, Inc.

DOCKET NO. 000776-TX
ORDER NO. PSC-00-1495-PAA-TX
ISSUED: August 18, 2000

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

J. TERRY DEASON, Chairman
E. LEON JACOBS, JR.
LILA A. JABER

NOTICE OF PROPOSED AGENCY ACTION
ORDER APPROVING TRANSFER OF AND NAME CHANGE ON
ALTERNATIVE LOCAL EXCHANGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CERTIFICATE

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.

On June 27, 2000, Express Title Financial Corporation d/b/a Express Loans (Express Loans) and Express Phone Service, Inc. (Express Phone) filed with this Commission a joint request for transfer of and name change on Alternative Local Exchange Telecommunications (ALEC) Certificate No. 5636 from Express Loans to Express Phone.

Express Loans and Express Phone have complied with Rule 25-24.815, Florida Administrative Code, regarding the transfer of ALEC certificates. We find the transfer to be in the public interest and, therefore, approve the transfer. ALEC Certificate No. 5636 shall be amended to reflect that Express Phone is the holder of this certificate.

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If this Order becomes final and effective, it shall serve as Express Phone's certificate. It should, therefore, be retained by Express Phone as proof of certification and as evidence of the name change.

ALECs are subject to Chapter 25-24, Florida Administrative Code, Part XV, Rules Governing Telecommunications Service Provided by Alternative Local Exchange Companies. ALECs are also required to comply with all applicable provisions of Chapter 364, Florida Statutes, and Chapters 25-4, Florida Administrative Code.

In addition, Section 364.337(2), Florida Statutes, requires ALECs which provide basic local telecommunications service to provide access to 911 services. This Commission has no rules specifying the 911 services that either an incumbent local exchange company (ILEC) or an ALEC must provide; however, 911 service that is inferior to that provided by the ILEC would clearly not be in the public interest. Accordingly, we find that Section 364.337(2), Florida Statutes, requires ALECs which provide basic local telecommunications services to provide at least the same level of 911 services as that provided by the ILEC serving the same area.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that the request for transfer of and name change on Alternative Local Exchange Telecommunications Certificate No. 5636 from Express Title Financial Corporation d/b/a Express Loans to Express Phone Service, Inc., is hereby approved. It is further

ORDERED that Express Phone Service, Inc. Alternative Local Exchange Telecommunications Certificate No. 5636 is subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the body of this Order. It is further

ORDERED that Alternative Local Exchange Telecommunications Certificate No. 5636 shall be amended to reflect that Express Phone Service, Inc., is the holder of this certificate.

ORDERED that this Order will serve as Express Phone Service, Inc.'s certificate and that this Order should be retained as proof of certification and as evidence of the name change. It is further

ORDERED that each alternative local exchange company which provides basic local telecommunications services shall provide at least the same level of 911 services as that provided by the

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incumbent local exchange company serving the same area. It is further

ORDERED that the provisions of this Order, issued as proposed agency action, shall become final and effective upon the issuance of a Consummating Order unless an appropriate petition, in the form provided by Rule 28-106.201, 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

ORDERED that in the event this Order becomes final, this Docket shall be closed.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this <u>18th</u> day of <u>August</u>, <u>2000</u>.

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 that is available under Section 120.57, 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 will be granted or result in the relief sought.

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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 <u>September 8, 2000</u>.

In the absence of such a petition, this order shall become final and effective upon the issuance of a Consummating Order.

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.

MEMORANDUM

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RECURS AND REPORTING

TO:

DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING

FROM:

DIVISION OF LEGAL SERVICES (PEÑA)

RE:

DOCKET NO. 000776-TX REQUEST FOR NAME CHANGE ON PAY

TELEPHONE CERTIFICATE NO. 641/ FROM SOLE D/B/A ADVANCE TELEPHONE USA COMPANY.

Express Title 1495-PAA TELEPHONE CERTIFICATE NO. 6017 FROM JESUS SOLE TO JESUS

Attached is a NOTICE OF PROPOSED AGENCY ACTION ORDER APPROVING TRANSFER OF AND NAME CHANGE ON ALTERNATIVE LOCAL EXCHANGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CERTIFICATE, to be issued in the referenced docket. (Number of pages in order - 4

KMP/anc Attachment

cc: Division of Regulatory Oversight (Williams)

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