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Public Service Commission

October 27, 2000

Ms. Linda Walters, President
Ozark Telecom, Inc.
1115 Mill Street
Camden, South Carolina 29020-3743

Dear Ms. Walters:

A docket has been opened by the Florida Public Service Commission to address the nonpayment of the Regulatory Assessment Fees (RAFs) required by Section 364.336, Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-4.0161, Florida Administrative Code, for the year 1999, which was due January 30, 2000. Delinquent notices were mailed February 29, 2000, and to date, Commission records show that payment has not been received.

It is staff's intention to file a recommendation outlining the following two options: a \$500 fine for a first-time rule violation, or cancellation of your telecommunications certificate. The Commissioners will consider staff's recommendation at the December 19, 2000 Agenda Conference. A Proposed Agency Action Order will then be issued within 20 days after the vote and your company will have 21 days after the issuance of the Order, to protest the Order. It should be noted that just paying the delinquent RAFs amount will not stop your certificate from being canceled.

If the Order is not protested and the past due amount is not paid in full, including statutory penalty and interest charges, your certificate will be canceled and the past due amount will be turned over to the Florida Comptroller's Office for collection. Therefore, it is important that you contact staff as soon as possible, but no later than November 13, 2000, to discuss your options.

For options, you can contact me at 850-413-6502, by Fax at 850-413-6503, by E-Mail pisler@psc.state.fl.us, or by writing to me at the address below.

Sincerely,

Paula J. Isler
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Bureau of Service Evaluation & Compliance

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