

November 8, 2000

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

RE: Docket No. 001279-TI, Regulatory Assessment Fee ("RAF")

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed please find our RAF Return for 1999 together with a check in the amount of \$89.50. This payment includes: a) the \$50.00 minimum RAF for 1999; b) the late penalty and interest for 1999 of \$17.50; c) the balance on account for 1994 and 1995 of \$22.00.

I have investigated the cause of the failure to timely remit the RAF when originally due and have determined that our accounting system did not have an automated entry to trigger the payment. This probably stems from the major accounting system conversion from DOS to Windows-NT, which we underwent in July of 1999. We have re-entered the automated entry to trigger on 12/31 of each year. This will allow approximately 30 days to prepare and file the return each year before its due date.

In addition to the lack of automation identified above, we have no record of having received any notice regarding this year's RAF until the filing of the above captioned docket. We would like to request that future notices regarding RAF or other compliance matters be directed to our business address shown below. However, we do not wish to change the use of the P.O. Box for consumer-related inquiries.

In lieu of the innocent nature of this oversight, I would like to propose a settlement amount of \$200 to clear any pending fines and close this matter. I look forward to your reply.

Sincerely,

Ken Dawson, President