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Public Service Commission

November 20, 2000

Via Facsimile

Ms. Jane M. Helein-Scott, Legal Assistant The Helein Law Group, P.C. 8180 Greensboro Drive, Suite 700 McLean, VA 22102

Re: Docket No. 001254-TC

CTN Telephone Network, Inc.

Dear Ms. Helein-Scott:

This is a follow up to your letter dated October 30 concerning CTN, in which you stated that the company is no longer doing business in Florida. A docket was opened on August 29 for violation of Rule 25-4.0161, Florida Administrative Code (not paying the 1999 Regulatory Assessment Fee (RAF) and Rule 25-24.480(2)(a) and (b). Although it was not specifically requested in your letter, I presume CTN wishes to cancel its certificate. There are two types of cancellation. One is voluntary, in which a company requests cancellation of its certificate and is in good standing with the Commission and has no outstanding balance of the RAF. The other is involuntary, in which the Commission cancels a company's certificate on its own motion for not complying with Commission rules.

In this case, CTN has a past due balance with the Commission. The 1998 RAF was paid February 4, 1999 (late), but did not pay the statutory penalty and interest charge of \$3.00. In addition, the company owes the 1999 RAF, plus penalty and interest charges. The company will also owe the 2000 fee. What this means is that the company would have to pay the 1998 and 1999 past due balances and either pay the 2000 fee or provide a date certain it will be paid, such as 30 days after the issuance of the Order cancelling the certificate. Enclosed is a copy of the 1999 and 2000 RAF returns.

I am also enclosing a copy of the Commission's rule dealing with cancellations. Please review all of the information and let me know how you wish to proceed on CTN's behalf by December 5, 2000.

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Sincerely,

Paula J. Isler, Research Assistant

Bureau of Service Evaluation & Compliance

Enclosures

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25-4.0161 Regulatory Assessment Fees; Telecommunications Companies.

- (1) As applicable and as provided in s. 350.113, F.S., and s. 364.336, F.S., each company shall remit a fee based upon its gross operating revenue as provided below. This fee shall be referred to as a regulatory assessment fee, and each company shall pay a regulatory assessment fee in the amount of 0.0015 of its gross operating revenues derived from intrastate business. For the purpose of determining this fee, each telecommunications company shall deduct from gross operating revenues any amount paid to another telecommunications company for the use of any telecommunications network to provide service to its customers. Regardless of the gross operating revenue of a company, a minimum annual regulatory assessment fee of \$50 shall be imposed.
- (2) Telecommunications companies that owed gross regulatory assessment fees of \$10,000 or more for the preceding calendar year shall pay the fee and remit the appropriate form twice a year. The regulatory assessment fee and appropriate form shall be filed no later than July 30 for the preceding period of January 1 through June 30, and no later than January 30 of the following year for the period of July 1 through December 31. Telecommunication companies that owed gross regulatory assessment fees of less than \$10,000 for the preceding calendar year shall pay the fee and remit the appropriate form once a year. The regulatory assessment fee and appropriate form shall be filed no later than January 30 of the subsequent year for the current calendar year operations.
- (3) If the due date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, the due date is extended to the next business day. If the fees are sent by registered mail, the date of the registration is the United States Postal Service's postmark date. If the fees are sent by certified mail and the receipt is postmarked by a postal employee, the date on the receipt is the United States Postal Service's postmark date. The postmarked certified mail receipt is evidence that the fees were delivered. Regulatory assessment fees are considered paid on the date they are post marked by the United States Postal Service or received and logged in by the Commission's Division of Administration in Tallahassee. Fees are considered timely paid if properly addressed, with sufficient postage, and postmarked no later than the due date.
- (4) Commission Form PSC/CMU 25 (11/99), entitled "Local Exchange Company Regulatory Assessment Fee Return,"; Form PSC/CMU 26 (11/99), entitled "Pay Telephone Service Provider Regulatory Assessment Fee Return"; Form PSC/CMU 34 (11/99), entitled "Shared Tenant Service Provider Regulatory Assessment Fee Return"; Form PSC/CMU 153 (11/99), entitled "Interexchange Company Regulatory Assessment Fee Return"; and Form PSC/CMU 1 (11/99), entitled "Alternative Access Vendor Regulatory Assessment Fee Return"; and Form PSC/CMU 7 (11/99), entitled "Alternative Local Exchange Company Regulatory Assessment Fee Return" are incorporated into this rule by reference and may be obtained from the Commission's Division of Administration.
- (5) Each telecommunications company shall have up to and including the due date in which to submit the applicable form and:
 - (a) Remit the total amount of its fee or
 - (b) Remit an amount which the company estimates is its full fee.

- (6) Where the company remits less than its full fee, the remainder of the full fee shall be due on or before the 30th day from the due date and shall, where the amount remitted was less than 90 percent of the total regulatory assessment fee, include interest as provided by subsection (8)(b) of this rule.
- (7) A company may request from the Division of Administration a 30-day extension of its due date for payment of regulatory assessment fees or for filing its return form.
- (a) The request for extension must be written and accompanied by a statement of good cause.
- (b) The request for extension must be received by the Division of Administration at least two weeks before the due date.
- (c) Where a telecommunications company receives an extension of its due date pursuant to this rule, the telecommunications company shall remit a charge in addition to the regulatory assessment fees, as set out in s. 350.113(5), F.S.
- (d) The return forms may be obtained from the Commission's Division of Administration. The failure of a telecommunications company to receive a return form shall not excuse the company from its obligation to timely remit the regulatory assessment fees.
- (8) The delinquency of any amount due to the Commission from the telecommunications company pursuant to the provisions of s. 350.113, F.S., and this rule, begins with the first calendar day after any date established as the due date either by operation of this rule or by an extension pursuant to this rule.
- (a) A penalty, as set out in s. 350.113, F.S., shall apply to any such delinquent amounts.
- (b) Interest at the rate of 12 percent per annum shall apply to any such delinquent amounts.

Specific Authority: 350.127(2), F.S. Law Implemented: 350.113, 364.336, F.S.

History: New 5/18/83, formerly 25-4.161, Amended 10/16/86, 01/01/91, 12/29/91, 01/08/95, 12/26/95,

07/08/96, 11/11/99.

25-24.480 Records & Reports; Rules Incorporated.

(1) The following rules are incorporated herein by reference and apply to interexchange companies. In these rules, the word "local" should be omitted or interpreted as "toll", as they shall apply only to interexchange and not local service.

		PORTIONS NOT
<u>SECTION</u>	TITLE	APPLICABLE
25-4.019	Records and Reports in General	None
25-4.020	Location and Preservation of	Subsections(1), (3)
	Records	*************************************
25-4.023	Report of Interruptions	Subsection (1)
25-4.043	Inquiries	None
25-4.0161	Regulatory Assessment Fees	None
25-4.079	Hearing/Speech Impaired Persons	Subsections (1), (2), (3), and (5)
25-4.115	Directory Assistance	Subsections (1), (2)

- (2) Each company shall file updated information for the following items with the Division of Telecommunications and the Division of Records and Reporting within 10 days after such changes occur.
- (a) The address of the certificate holder's main corporate and Florida offices (if any) including street name and address and post office box, city, state and zip code.
- (b) Telephone number, name, and address of the individual who is to serve as primary liaison with the Commission in regards to the ongoing Florida operations of the certificated company.

Specific Authority 350.127(2) FS.
Law Implemented 350.113, 350.115, 350.117, 364.17, 364.18, 364.185, 364.337 FS.
History--New 2-23-87, Amended 4-5-88, 7-11-88, 6-3-90, 10-25-90, 11-20-91, 12-29-91, 12-22-92, 12-27-94, 3-13-96, 10-1-96.

25-24.474 Cancellation of a Certificate.

- (1) The Commission may on its own motion cancel a company's certificate for any of the following reasons:
- (a) Violation of the terms and conditions under which the authority was originally granted;
- (b) Violation of Commission rule or order; or
- (c) Violation of Florida Statutes.
- (2) If a certificated company desires to cancel its certificate, it shall request cancellation from the Commission in writing and shall provide the following with its request.
- (a) Statement of intent and date to pay Regulatory Assessment Fee.
- (b) Statement of why the certificate is proposed to be cancelled.
- (c) A statement on treatment of customer deposits and final bills.
- (d) Proof of individual customer notice regarding discontinuance of service.
- (3) Cancellation of a certificate shall be ordered subject to the holder providing the information required by subsection (2).

Specific Authority 350.127(2) FS. Law Implemented 350.113, 350.127(1), 364.285, 364.337, 364.345 FS. History--New 2-23-87, Amended 3-13-96.

STATUS:	Florida Public Service Commission (See Filing Instructions on Back of Form)		FOR PSC USE ONLY Check#	
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For companies which owed a total of less than \$10,000 of assessment fee for the preceding calendar year, this Regulatory Assessn Fee Return and payment must be filed or postmarked:

On or before January 30 for the twelve-month period January 1 through December 31.

However, if July 30 or January 30 falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or holiday, the Regulatory Assessment Fee may be filed or postmar on the next business day, without penalty.

2. FEES: Each company shall pay 0.0015 of its gross operating revenues derived from intrastate business, as referenced in Rule 4.0161(1), F.A.C. Gross Operating Revenues are defined as the total revenues before expenses. Gross Intrastate Operating Revenuare defined as revenues from calls originating and terminating within Florida. Do not deduct any expenses, taxes, or uncollectit from these amounts other than the amount in Line 7.

On Line 7, deduct any amounts paid to another telecommunications company for the use of any telecommunications network to prov service to its customers. <u>Do not deduct</u> any taxes, federal subscriber line charges, interstate long distance access charges, or amou paid for nonregulated services such as voice mail, inside wire maintenance, or equipment purchases/rentals. **DEDUCTIONS MU BE INTRASTATE ONLY AND MUST BE VERIFIABLE**.

3. FAILURE TO FILE BY DUE DATE: Failure to file a return by the established due date will result in a penalty being added to amount of fee due, 5% for each 30 days or fraction thereof, not to exceed a total penalty of 25% (Line 10). In addition, interest she added in the amount of 1% for each 30 days or fraction thereof, not to exceed a total of 12% per year (Line 11). A Regulate Assessment Fee Return must be completed, signed, and filed even if there are no revenues to report or if the minimum amount is displayed.

When a company fails to timely file a Regulatory Assessment Fee Return, the Commission has the authority to order the company to pay a penalty and/or cancel the company's certificate. The company will have an opportunity to respond to any proposed Commission action.

4. **EXTENSION:** A request for an extension of time up to 30 days may be made by filing the enclosed *Request for Extension to F Regulatory Assessment Fee Return* form (PSC/ADM-124), two weeks prior to the filing date. When an extension is granted, a char shall be added to the amount due:

0.75% of the fee to be remitted for an extension of 15 days or less, or 1.5% of the fee for an extension of 16 to 30 days.

In lieu of paying the charges outlined above, a company may file a return and remit payment based upon estimated gross operation revenues. If such return is filed by the normal due date, the company shall be granted a 30-day extension period in which to file at remit the actual fee due without paying the above charges, provided the estimated fee payment remitted is at least 90% of the actual fee due for the period. An automatic 30-day extension to file an actual return may be obtained by checking the "Estimated Return space in the top left-hand corner on the reverse side.

- 5. FEE ADJUSTMENTS: You will be notified as to the amount and reason for any fee adjustment. Penalty and interest charges may be applicable to additional amounts owed the Commission by reason of the adjustment. The company may file a written request for a refund of any overpayments. The request should be directed to Fiscal Services at the below-referenced address.
- 6. MAILING INSTRUCTIONS: Please complete this form, make a copy for your files, and return the original and in the enclose preaddressed envelope. Use of this envelope should assure a more accurate and expeditious recording of your payment. Make you check payable to the Florida Public Service Commission. If you are unable to use the envelope, please address your remittance a follows:

Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

ATTENTION: Fiscal Services

7. ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE: If you need additional assistance in preparing your Regulatory Assessment Fee Return or regarding telecommunications facilities, please contact the Division of Competitive Services at (850) 413-6600. This division may be contacted at the above-referenced address, directing correspondence to the attention of the division.

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