BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Application for certificate to provide alternative access vendor services by Southeastern Services, Inc.

DOCKET NO. 001559-TA
ORDER NO. PSC-01-0483-PAA-TA
ISSUED: February 26, 2001

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

E. LEON JACOBS, JR., Chairman
J. TERRY DEASON
LILA A. JABER
BRAULIO L. BAEZ
MICHAEL A. PALECKI

NOTICE OF PROPOSED AGENCY ACTION ORDER GRANTING CERTIFICATE TO PROVIDE ALTERNATIVE ACCESS VENDOR SERVICES

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.

Southeastern Services, Inc. (Southeastern) has applied for a certificate to provide Alternative Access Vendor (AAV) services. Upon review of its application, it appears that Southeastern has sufficient technical, financial, and managerial capability to provide such service, as required under Section 364.337, Florida Statutes. Accordingly, we hereby grant Certificate No. 7767 to Southeastern.

If this Order becomes final and effective, it shall serve as Southeastern's certificate. Southeastern should, therefore, retain this Order as proof of certification. The Commission is vested

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with jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to Sections 364.335 and 364.337, Florida Statutes.

AAV providers are subject to Chapter 25-24, Florida Administrative Code, Part XIV, Rules Governing Alternative Access Vendor services, as well as the terms and conditions of Order No. 24877, issued August 2, 1991. AAV providers are also required to comply with all applicable provisions of Chapter 364, Florida Statutes, and Chapters 25-4, Florida Administrative Code.

In addition, under Section 364.336, Florida Statutes, certificate holders must pay a minimum annual Regulatory Assessment Fee (RAFs) of \$50 if the certificate was active during any portion of the calendar year. A RAFs Return notice will be mailed each December to Southeastern for payment. Neither the cancellation of the certificate nor the failure to receive a RAFs Return notice shall relieve Southeastern from its obligation to pay RAFs.

Based on the foregoing, it

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that we hereby grant Certificate No. 7767 to Southeastern Services, Inc., which shall authorize it to provide Alternative Access Vendor services, subject to the terms and conditions specified in the body of this Order. It is further

ORDERED that this Order shall serve as Southeastern Services, Inc.'s certificate and should be retained by Southeastern Services, Inc. as proof of certification. 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.

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By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this <u>26th</u> day of <u>February</u>, <u>2001</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.

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 March 19, 2001.

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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.