

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Request for approval of) DOCKET NO. 960287-TL
tariff filing to introduce) ORDER NO. PSC-96-0488-FOF-TL
Personal Ringing, Restricted) ISSUED: April 8, 1996
Line Service with PIN, and)
Remote Activation of Call)
Forwarding by Gulf Telephone)
Company. (T-96-063 filed 2/2/96))
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The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

SUSAN F. CLARK, Chairman
J. TERRY DEASON
JOE GARCIA
JULIA L. JOHNSON
DIANE K. KIESLING

ORDER APPROVING TARIFF TO INTRODUCE
CUSTOM CALLING FEATURES

BY THE COMMISSION:

On February 2, 1996, Gulf Telephone Company (Gulf) filed a proposed tariff to introduce three new custom calling features: personal ringing; restricted line service with personal identification number (PIN); and remote activation of call forwarding.

Personal ringing, also known as distinctive ring, allows two or three directory numbers to be assigned to the same line. This service allows the subscriber to receive calls on up to three separate numbers without installing additional lines. Personal ringing provides a distinctive ringing pattern for each number, thereby allowing the subscriber to identify the number dialed.

Restricted line service with PIN provides the subscriber greater control over toll calls. When Gulf assigns this feature to a line, a default PIN is entered automatically. The subscriber can change the PIN through the use of a PIN change access code.

Remote activation of call forwarding allows subscribers to activate, change or deactivate a call forwarding service from any line capable of touch call signalling, rather than only the base station line.

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The proposed monthly rates for personal ringing are \$3.00 and \$4.00 per telephone number assigned for residential and business customers, respectively. The proposed monthly rates for restricted line service with PIN are \$3.00 for residential and \$3.50 for business subscribers. The proposed monthly rates for remote activation of call forwarding are \$1.00 for residential and \$2.00 for business subscribers. The monthly rates for remote activation of call forwarding are in addition to the rates for call forwarding. These rates cover the costs of providing those services and provide a contribution to Gulf's overheads.

Upon consideration of the above, we find it appropriate to approve the proposed tariff, effective April 2, 1996.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that Gulf Telephone Company's proposed tariff to introduce personal ringing, restricted line service with personal identification number, and remote activation of call forwarding as new custom calling features is approved, effective April 2, 1996. It is further

ORDERED that, unless a person whose interests are substantially affected by the action proposed herein files a petition in the form and by the date specified in the Notice of Further Proceedings or Judicial Review, this Order shall become final and this docket shall be closed on the following date. It is further

ORDERED that, if a timely protest is filed, this tariff shall remain in effect, with any revenues held subject to refund, pending the resolution of the protest.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 8th day of April, 1996.

BLANCA S. BAYÓ, Director
Division of Records and Reporting

by: Kay Flynn
Chief, Bureau of Records

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NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.59(4), Florida Statutes, to notify parties of any administrative hearing or judicial review of Commission orders that is available under Sections 120.57 or 120.68, 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 or judicial review will be granted or result in the relief sought.

The Commission's decision on this tariff is interim in nature and will become final, unless a person whose substantial interests are affected by the action proposed files a petition for a formal proceeding, as provided by Rule 25-22.036(4), Florida Administrative Code, in the form provided by Rule 25-22.036(7)(a)(d) and (e), 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 April 29, 1996.

In the absence of such a petition, this order shall become final on the day subsequent to the above date.

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.

If this Order becomes final on the date described above, any party adversely affected may request judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility or by the First District Court of Appeal in the case of a water or wastewater utility by filing a notice of appeal with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting and filing a copy of the notice of appeal and the filing fee with the appropriate court. This filing must be completed within thirty (30) days of the date this Order becomes final, pursuant to Rule 9.110, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure. The notice of appeal must be in the form specified in Rule 9.900(a), Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.