

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Application for ) DOCKET NO. 951444-TI  
certificate to provide ) ORDER NO. PSC-96-0310-FOF-TI  
interexchange telecommunications ) ISSUED: February 29, 1996  
service with alternative )  
operator service by Georgia )  
Public Telephone Company, Inc. )  
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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

NOTICE OF PROPOSED AGENCY ACTION ORDER  
GRANTING CERTIFICATE TO PROVIDE  
INTEREXCHANGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS  
AND ALTERNATIVE OPERATOR 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 in accordance with Rule 25-22.029, Florida Administrative Code.

Georgia Public Telephone Company, Inc., filed an application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide interexchange telecommunications and alternative operator services. The application contains the required background information and the proposed tariffs. Having considered this application, it appears that it is in the public interest to grant Certificate No. 4400 to Georgia Public Telephone Company, Inc., to provide interexchange telecommunications and alternative operator services.

This Order, if it becomes final and effective, will serve as Georgia Public Telephone Company, Inc.'s certificate and Georgia Public Telephone Company, Inc., should retain this Order as evidence of certification by this Commission.

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Interexchange telecommunications service providers are charged with the responsibility of complying with the provisions of Chapter 364, Florida Statutes, and Chapters 25-4 and 25-24, Florida Administrative Code. Moreover, pursuant to the provisions of Order No. 16804, interexchange telecommunications service providers are prohibited from constructing facilities to bypass a local exchange company without express prior approval from this Commission.

This docket will be closed following the expiration of the period specified in the Notice of Further Proceedings or Judicial Review section of this Order unless an appropriate petition, protesting the application, is filed by one whose substantial interests may or will be affected by this proposed agency action, as provided in Rules 25-22.029 and 25-22.036(7)(a), Florida Administrative Code.

Prior to the initiation of debit card services, Georgia Public Telephone Company, Inc., shall post a bond in the amount of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) with the Commission. This bond is required pursuant to 25-24.490(3), Florida Administrative Code. The amount of this bond may be either increased or decreased by further order of the Commission as Georgia Public Telephone Company, Inc.'s debit card business increases or decreases.

It is therefore,

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that we hereby grant, to Georgia Public Telephone Company, Inc., a certificate to provide interexchange telecommunications and alternative operator services subject to the conditions stated in the body of this Order. It is further

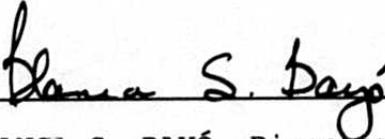
ORDERED that Georgia Public Telephone Company, Inc., shall operate under Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 4400. It is further

ORDERED that Georgia Public Telephone Company, Inc., shall post a bond with the Florida Public Service Commission in the amount of \$10,000 prior to the initiation of debit card services. 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, the certificate shall become effective on the following date and this docket shall be closed.

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By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 29th  
day of February, 1996.

  
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BLANCA S. BAYÓ, Director  
Division of Records and Reporting

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Commissioner Johnson dissented from the Commission decision to  
require a bond.

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 action proposed herein is preliminary in nature and will  
not become effective or final, except as provided by  
Rule 25-22.029, Florida Administrative Code. Any person whose  
substantial interests are affected by the action proposed by this  
order may file a petition for a formal proceeding, as provided by  
Rule 25-22.029(4), Florida Administrative Code, in the form  
provided by Rule 25-22.036(7)(a) and (f), 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 21, 1996.

In the absence of such a petition, this order shall become  
effective on the day subsequent to the above date as provided by  
Rule 25-22.029(6), Florida Administrative Code.

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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 and effective on the date described above, any party substantially 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 effective date of this order, 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.