

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Application for) DOCKET NO. 960584-TI
certificate to provide) ORDER NO. PSC-96-1017-FOF-TI
interexchange telecommunications) ISSUED: August 7, 1996
service with alternative)
operator service by TelQuest)
Communications, Corp.)
_____)

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.

TelQuest Communications, Corp. has applied for a certificate to provide interexchange telecommunications (IXC) and alternative operator services (AOS). Upon review of its application, it appears that TelQuest has sufficient technical, financial, and managerial capability to provide such service, as required under Section 364.337(3), Florida Statutes. Accordingly, we hereby grant Certificate No. 4713 to TelQuest.

If this Order becomes final and effective, it shall serve as TelQuest's certificate. TelQuest should, therefore, retain this Order as proof of its certification.

IXCs are governed by Chapter 25-24, Florida Administrative Code, Part X, Rules Governing Telephone Service Provided by Interexchange Telephone Companies. IXCs are also required to

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comply with all applicable provisions of Chapter 364, Florida Statutes, and Chapter 25-4, Florida Administrative Code. Further, in accordance with Order No. 16804, issued November 4, 1986, IXCs may not construct facilities to bypass a local exchange company without the prior approval of this Commission.

AOS providers are governed by Chapter 25-24, Florida Administrative Code, Part XIII, Rules Governing Operator Services Providers. AOS providers are also required to comply with all applicable provisions of Chapter 364, Florida Statutes, and Chapter 25-4, Florida Administrative Code. In addition, AOS providers are subject to the terms and conditions of Order No. 20489, issued December 21, 1988.

It is therefore,

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that we hereby grant, to TelQuest Communications, Corp., Certificate No. 4713, which shall authorize it to provide interexchange telecommunications and alternative operator services, subject to the terms and conditions specified in the body of this Order. It is further

ORDERED that this Order shall serve as TelQuest Communications, Corp.'s certificate. TelQuest Communications Corp. should retain this Order as proof of its certification. It is further

ORDERED that, unless a person whose substantial interests are 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 effective and this docket shall be closed.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 7th day of August, 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 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 August 28, 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.

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.