



Public Service Commission

DATE: October 13, 1998

TO: Division of Records and Reporting (Bayo)

FROM: Division of Communications (Isler) *M Pji*

RE: Docket No. 980813-TI - Cancellation by Florida Public Service Commission of Pay Telephone Certificate No. 3446 issued to Carman Communication, Inc. for violation of Rule 25-4.0161, F.A.C., Regulatory Assessment Fees

Please use the attached correspondence from the company as its response to PAA Order No. PSC-98-1258-FOF-TC. The original will be delivered to you as soon as it is received in the mail. Let me know if you have any questions.

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5125 8th. St. N.
St. Petersburg, FL 33703

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2540 Shamard Oak Blvd.
Tallahassee, FL 32399 - 0850

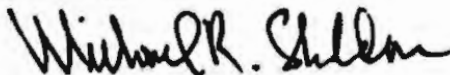
October 12, 1998

Dear sirs:

Would you please use my previous letter to the Commission (dated September 14, 1998) as my protest *and* settlement offer for order # PSC - 98 - 1258 - FOF - TC.

Again, I just ask the patience and forbearance of the Commission on this matter...and I promise faithfully never to repeat this omission. Thank you for your consideration.....

Sincerely,



Michael R. Sheldon

Carman Communication, Inc.
5125 8th. St. N.
St. Petersburg, FL 33703

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September 14, 1998

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Dear sirs:

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In that letter, I offer some explanation for my laxity in paying my \$50. fee on time, but mostly I asked the forbearance and understanding of the Commission as the failure was no one's fault but my own. I also promised to do better in the future and submit all fees on time.

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Overdue 1997 Regulatory Assessment Fee
50.00 plus 12.50 penalty + 4.50 interest.
Sent as per PAULA ISLER letter of
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Michael R. Shildan

c: Paula Isler

CARMAN COMMUNICATION INC.
PHONE 813-828-9003
5125 8TH ST. N.
ST. PETERSBURG, FL 33703

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Date Sept. 14, 98

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Pay to the order of PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION \$ 67.00
Seven and no/100 Dollars

FIRST UNION
First Union National Bank
Seminole, Florida
24 Hour Information Service
1-800-735-1012

1997 Regulatory Assessment Fee
For Penalty and Interest.

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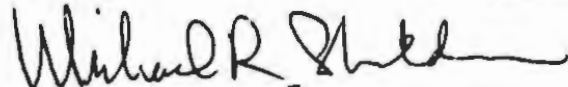
With due respect to the Commission, could I suggest a settlement amount of \$100. that I would be able to pay out of what I have coming in....? That will be difficult and cause hardship, but at least it is possible to do.

I realize that I did not submit the \$50. fee on time and there really is no valid excuse for this failure. I have now paid the overdue assessment fee with penalty and interest. I can only once again ask for the consideration of the Commission and the chance to do better and pay fees as due in the future.

Thank you for your consideration.....

Sincerely,

C. B. 22 Isler



Michael R. Sheldon

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Tallahassee, FL 32399 - 0850

August 27, 1998

Dear sirs:

This letter is in reference to your letter August 21 letter to me concerning my failure to pay PSC regulatory fees on time and the proposed penalties for this. (Item No. 19**PAA Docket No. 980813 - TC)

This letter to you is not a 'protest', because in fact I did not pay the \$50.00 fee on time and there is no one to blame but myself for not paying and submitting the paperwork as required. All I can do is ask the consideration (or mercy) of the commission, offer an explanation of (NOT an excuse for) my failure, and promise to try to do better in the future.

In form of an explanation of the situation (there is no real excuse) my mother died last August 16 after many years of debilitating ill health at home. I was her primary caregiver and this did occupy me day and night. Since her death, it has fallen to me alone as executor to deal with her property (a real mess beyond belief) and the legion of squabbling relatives. I did simply become physically and emotionally overwhelmed and ignored many important aspects of my personal business as a result.

I realize that I am not unique; many people have elderly sick mothers die, and settle estates and deal with much more and still manage to keep up with their personal business....but I fell behind and ignored many things that needed attention. My fault only.

As to the phone business, in 1993 I was taken in by a 800 Number business opportunity scam (make money with payphones!) I have only 15 payphone locations, many of which are marginal at best. The predatory aspects of the business have moved here from S. Florida and hardly a month goes by without an unscrupulous locator trying to forcibly remove one or more of the few phones I have left. The reality is that the \$500. fine you have proposed represents 2 months plus of very slim profits....and I simply do not have \$500. to pay. I am otherwise employed by the Wackenhut Corp. as a security guard, and it requires nearly everything to just get by.

I realize that business is business, and that I have no one to blame but myself for falling behind. I can only ask for the consideration and mercy of the Commission and the opportunity of another chance to do better in the future.

Thank you for your consideration.....

Sincerely,

Michael R. Sheldon.