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PSC 160.13 Designation of eligible telecommunications carriers.

PSC 160.13(1)



(1) The commission may designate a telecommunications provider as an eligible telecommunications carrier. Such a provider is eligible to receive universal service funding under both applicable federal and state universal service programs for an area, if it meets all of the following requirements:

PSC 160.13(1)(a)



(a) Holds itself ready to offer service to all customers in the area, except that those customers with a demonstrated inability to pay for service may be denied service in accordance with ss. PSC 165.051 and 165.052.

PSC 160.13(1)(b)



(b) Advertises its service in the area on a regular basis, with such advertisements:

PSC 160.13(1)(b)1.



1. Disseminated in media of general distribution in the area, at least 2 times per year;

PSC 160.13(1)(b)2.



2. Describing the services offered; and

PSC 160.13(1)(b)3.



3. Describing the affordability of the services, including the availability of discounts for low income customers.

PSC 160.13(1)(c)



(c) Makes available lifeline and link-up service, as defined in ss. PSC 160.061 and 160.062.

PSC 160.13(1)(d)



(d) Offers, at a minimum, all portions of essential telecommunications service, as defined in s. PSC 160.03. For purposes of this subsection "essential services" includes public interest pay telephone service pursuant to s. PSC 160.073, pay telephones specified by s. PSC 165.088, and pay telephone interconnection service subject to federal communications commission orders, commission orders and ch. PSC 169.

PSC 160.13(2)



(2) The area in which a provider shall be designated as an eligible telecommunications carrier shall be:

PSC 160.13(2)(a)



(a) For an area that is served by an incumbent local exchange service provider that is not a rural telephone company, the incumbent local exchange service provider's wire center, unless the commission designates a smaller area.

PSC 160.13(2)(b)



(b) For an area that is served by an incumbent local exchange service provider that is a rural telephone company, the service territory comprised of one or more of the incumbent local exchange service provider's wire centers, unless the commission designates, and the federal communications commission approves, a



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ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT ,
TO 2001 ASSEMBLY BILL 33

Tomorrow
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by 10:00am

1 At the locations indicated, amend the bill as follows:

2 1. Page 2, line 3: delete "provider or other person" and substitute "provider, or
3 other person, designated by the commission as eligible to receive universal service
4 funding under both the federal and state universal service fund programs". ✓

5 (END)