

**GOVERNMENT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS
OF THE
UNITED STATES**

PUBLIC SERVICES COMMISSION

IN RE:

INVESTIGATION OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS TELEPHONE CORPORATION RATE INVESTIGATION)	Docket Nos. 626 & 628
Docket 626)	Order No. <u>39</u> /2015
And)	
INVESTIGATION OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS TELEPHONE CORPORATION DEPRECIATION SCHEDULE)	
Docket 628)	
<i>Consolidated</i>)	
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ORDER

WHEREAS, on December 15, 2015, the Virgin Islands Public Services Commission (hereinafter "PSC" or "Commission") appointed Hearing Examiner, Ronald Belfon, Esq. in these consolidated dockets, 626 and 628; and

WHEREAS, on November 9, 10 and 12, 2015, public hearings were conducted, testimony was heard from representatives of the Virgin Islands Telephone Corporation (hereinafter "VITELCO" or "utility") and its staff, the PSC staff and the public; and

WHEREAS, on February 22, 2016, the Commission received the Report and Recommendations of the Hearing Examiner; and

WHEREAS, a review of the record and the Report of the Hearing Examiner reveals significant differences between the positions of the utility and PSC Staff in regard to numerous issues; and

WHEREAS, the record of this proceeding is extensive and is in full before the Commission; and

WHEREAS, at the Commission's meeting on March 15, 2016, the Commission heard from the Hearing Examiner, VITELCO and the PSC Staff;

NOW, THEREFORE the Commission has ordered that this matter be continued until the next meeting of the Commission, to permit sufficient time for the Commissioners to review the record, including reports, filings and testimony in this matter prior to making a final decisions.

So Ordered.

For the Commission

Dated: March 23, 2016



Johann A. Clendenin, Chair