

## Public Service Commission

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DATE: December 19, 1996

TO: Tom Williams, Division of Communications

FROM: Pete Lester, Division of Auditing and Financial Analysis 7

RE: Docket No. 961308-TI, EarthCall Communications Corporation, Financial Analysis

for Certificate Application for Intrastate Interexchange Telecommunications Service

Section 364.337 (3), Florida Statutes, requires the following:

The commission shall grant a certificate of authority to provide intrastate interexchange telecommunications service upon a showing that the applicant has sufficient technical, financial, and managerial capability to provide such service in the geographic area proposed to be served.

Also Section 364.01 (3) and (4) states that:

(3) The Legislature finds that the competitive provision of telecommunications service, including local exchange telecommunications service, is in the public interest.

and

(4)(d) The Commission shall exercise its exclusive jurisdiction in order to: (d) Promote competition by encouraging new entrants into telecommunications markets . . .

Regarding the showing of financial capability, the Finance staff has analyzed the financial statements for EarthCall Communications Corporation. The company requested and was granted confidentiality for its financial statements. The company attests that it has the financial capability to provide IXC service.

Based on this representation, the application appears adequate for certification purposes.

cc: Division of Legal Services
Division of Records and Reporting

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