

## Public Service Commission

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**TO:** Tommy Williams, Division of Communications

FROM: David J. Draper, Division of Auditing and Financial Analysis D

RE: Docket No. 990371-TX, Phone-Link, Inc., Financial Analysis for Certificate

Application for Alternative Local Exchange Telecommunications Service

Section 364.337 (1), Florida Statutes, requires the following:

The commission shall grant a certificate of authority to provide alternative local exchange 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.

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(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 unaudited financial statements of Phone-Link, Inc. (PLI) for the period ending January 25, 1999. An audit could change one's opinion of the company's financial condition. As the attached schedule shows, PLI has minimal liquidity and negative common equity, but reported positive income for the period.

In this matter, PLI is asking for a certificate to provide alternative local exchange telecommunications service. For purposes of granting a certificate based on the financial information provided, the financial capability appears minimal.

Although an analysis of the financial statements reveals the applicant is in a minimal financial position, the applicant attests to its financial capability to provide and maintain the proposed telecommunications service by noting that the company has a \$100,000 line of credit with various lending institutions. Based on this showing, the applicant appears to meet the financial capability standard of Section 364.337, Florida Statutes.

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## ALTERNATIVE LOCAL EXCHANGE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

## FROM UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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CURRENT ASSETS	\$17,781
CURRENT LIABILITIES	59,889
CURRENT RATIO	0.30
CASH	6,856
COMMON EQUITY	(24,667)
TOTAL DEBT	20,500
TOTAL INVESTOR CAPITAL	(4,167)
COMMON EQUITY RATIO	NMF
NET INCOME	68,579
RETURN ON EQUITY	NMF

NMF = No Meaningful Figure