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January 7, 1998

Mr. Walter D'Hasesleer
Director, Division of Communications
Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

RE: Docket No. 950814-TL, Order No. PSC-97-1196-FOF-TL, Issue October 2, 1997.
Request for approval of tariff filing proposing cellular service for Dog Island by
St. Joe Telephone & Telegraph Company (T-95-404 filed 06/26/97).

Dear Mr. D'Haeseleer:

In the order referenced above, our Company was ordered to report quarterly to Staff on its status of provisioning service to Dog Island. The following information is provided for this purpose:

Permission has been obtained from The Nature Conservancy to use the roads to place cable on the Island. They have reviewed our plans for providing service and have given us permission to proceed.

We have placed purchase orders for the radio equipment, antennas, antenna lines and digital loop carriers.

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Bids have been received and a contract is being prepared for cable and drop placement on the Island.

Easements are in progress for equipment locations on private property.

Depending on availability of cable etc., we anticipate completing the construction phase by the end of May 1998 and transfer of the customer service should be completed by the end of June 1998.

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If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "A.D. Lanier".

A.D. Lanier
Director- Network Engineering

cc: Phil Trubelhorn ✓
Dave Erwin