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DATE: June 3, 1999

TO: Tommy Williams, Division of Communications

FROM: Eva P. Samaan, Division of Auditing and Financial Analysis

RE: Docket No. 990581-TX, WAMnet Communications, Inc., Financial And

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.

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 of WAMnet Communications, Inc. (WCI) for the period ending April 26, 1999. WCI requested and was granted confidentiality for its financial statements.

In this matter, WCI 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 adequate.

The applicant attests to its financial capability to provide and maintain the proposed telecommunications service by noting that it has a \$500,000 line of credit with Internet Finance & Equipment, \$100,000 with Solunet, and \$250,000 with Cisco. In addition, WCI has available \$132,000 through its account with Washington Mutual Bank. Based on this showing, the applicant appears to meet the financial capability standard of Section 364.337, Florida Statutes.

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