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TO: Tommy Williams, Division of Regulatory Oversight

FROM: David J. Draper, Division of Economic Regulation

RE: Docket No. 010095-TI, eVoice Telecom, Inc., Financial Analysis for Certificate Application for Intrastate Interexchange Telecommunications Service

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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 audited financial statements of eVoice Telecom, Inc. (eVoice) for the period ending December 31, 1999. The applicant requested confidential treatment of its financial statements. Based on a review of the applicant's financial information, the company's financial capability appears marginal.

In this matter, eVoice is asking for a certificate to provide intrastate interexchange telecommunications service. The applicant attests to its financial capability by noting that it has adequate liquid assets to provide and maintain the proposed telecommunications service. Based on this showing, the applicant appears to meet the financial capability standard of Section 364.337, Florida Statutes.

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