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December 30, 2003

#### VIA OVERNIGHT DELIVERY

Blanca S. Bayó Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850 030000-Pu

COMMISSION

Re: Application of Big Planet, Inc. for Approval to Surrender Its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity and Withdraw its Tariff

Dear Ms. Bayó:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of Big Planet, Inc. is an original of the above-referenced Application. Kindly date-stamp the enclosed extra copy of this filing and return it in the self-addressed, postage paid envelope provided.

Big Planet respectfully requests expedited treatment and approval of this Application because Big Planet has no operations and does not serve any customers in the State of Florida. Should you have any questions regarding this application, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully submitted,

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Grace R. Chiu

Counsel to Big Planet, Inc.

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# BEFORE THE STATE OF FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Application of	)		
BIG PLANET, INC.	)	Docket No.	
for Approval to Surrender Its Certificate to Provide Interexchange Services and	- ) )	Docket No.	-
Withdraw its Tariff	í		

#### **APPLICATION**

Big Planet, Inc. ("Big Planet" or "Applicant"), by its undersigned counsel and pursuant to Section 364.33 of the Florida Statutes, FLA. STAT. ANN. § 364.33, hereby respectfully requests that the Commission issue an order canceling Big Planet's certificate to provide interexchange telecommunications services and approving the withdrawal of Big Planet's Florida tariff currently on file with the Commission.

Big Planet submits the following information in support of this Application:

- 1. Big Planet is a privately held Utah corporation headquartered in Provo, Utah. Big Planet is authorized to provide intrastate interexchange telecommunications services in the State of Florida pursuant to Certificate No. 5772, granted by the Commission in Docket No. 981182-TI ("Certificate").
- 2. Big Planet does not provide telecommunications services to any customers in the State of Florida and has no outstanding obligations to any Florida customers in the form of deposits or pre-payments for services which have not or will not be provided.

.3. Big Planet does not intend to operate as a provider of intrastate

telecommunications services in Florida and, therefore, desires to surrender its Certificate

effective January 1, 2004.

4. In connection with this Application, Big Planet withdraws and therefore also

requests cancellation of its Florida tariff currently on file with the Commission.

5. Any requirement to give prior written notice to customers of Big Planet's

surrender of its Certificate is inapplicable in this instance because Big Planet has no customers in

Florida.

6. Big Planet submits that the surrender of its Certificate is reasonable, necessary

and not disruptive to the present or future public interest, convenience and necessity of the State

of Florida.

WHEREFORE, Big Planet respectfully requests that the Commission grant this

Application and issue an Order canceling its Certificate and its Florida tariff currently on file

with the Commission.

Respectfully submitted,

William B. Wilhelm, Jr.

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Dated: December 30, 2003

#### **VERIFICATION**

STATE OF UTAH	:	SS.
COUNTY OF UTAH	:	
I, <u>Larry Macfar</u>	lane	, being first duly sworn, declare under penalty of
perjury that: I am	<u>President</u>	of Big Planet, Inc., the
Applicant in the foregoir	ng Application; that	at I am authorized to make this Verification on behalf
of the Applicant; that I h	nave read the foreg	oing Application and know the contents thereof; and
that the same are true and	l correct to the bes	t of my knowledge, information, and belief.
		(Signature) Larry Macfarlane President
Sworn and subscribed before me this day of December, 2003.		
		Notary Public Muller C.
My commission expires	July 1, 5	Noticy Public Charge Michaelah

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#### **Ruth Netties**

To: Subject: Paula Isler

RE: request to cancel IXC registration

You got it. Thank you for the response. I shall place in undocketed file.

----Original Message----

From: Paula Isler

Sent: Wednesday, December 31, 2003 1:44 PM

To: Ruth Nettles

Subject: RE: request to cancel IXC registration

Do not open a docket. They have a balance from 2001 and owe the 2003 RAF. I will contact the company's attorney.

----Original Message----

From: Ruth Nettles

Sent: Wednesday, December 31, 2003 11:28 AM

To: Paula Isler

Subject: request to cancel IXC registration

Good morning. I have a request from Swidler, on helf of Big Pnaet, Inc. for approval to surrender certificate and withdraw tariff. There is no mention of payment for RAFs.

Please adivise, thanks.