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TO: Toni McCoy, Division of Communications

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Docket No. 981312-TX, Foxtel, 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.

and

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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 Foxtel, Inc. (FOT) for the seven month period ending July 31, 1998. An audit could change one's opinion of the company's financial condition. As the attached schedule shows, FOT has minimal liquidity, negative common equity and reported negative net income for the period.

In this matter, FOT 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 available lines of credit from its affiliate, financial institutions and equipment vendors. The Company does not anticipate needing to draw from these available sources. 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 SERVICE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

FROM UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

AS
OF
07/31/98

(328, 579)

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	07/31/98
CURRENT ASSETS	\$7,478
CURRENT LIABILITIES	148,291
CURRENT RATIO	0.05
CASH	7,478
COMMON EQUITY	(569,367)
TOTAL DEBT	955,807
TOTAL INVESTOR CAPITAL	386,441
COMMON EQUITY RATIO	NMF

NMF = No Meaningful Figure

RETURN ON EQUITY

NET INCOME