BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Application for certificate)	a R	ë.	<u> </u>
to provide alternative local exchange) Docket No. 990931-TX	T TO THE	ì	et _
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REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION

Premiere Network Services, Inc. ("Premiere"), by and through undersigned counsel, pursuant to Section 364.183, Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code, requests that the Florida Public Service Commission (the "Commission") classify as confidential Exhibit "B" to Premiere's application for authority to provide alternative local exchange service within the state of Florida (the "ALEC Application"). In support of its request, Premiere states:

- 1. On July 16, 1999, Premiere filed its ALEC Application with the Commission. On that same date, Premiere filed, under seal, Exhibit "B" to its ALEC Application along with a Notice of Intent to Request Confidential Classification of Exhibit "B."
- 2. Section 364.337, Florida Statutes, states that: "The [C]ommission shall grant a certificate of authority to provide alternative local exchange service upon a showing that the applicant has sufficient technical, <u>financial</u>, and managerial capability to provide such service in the geographic area proposed to be served. . . ." § 364.337(3), Fla. Stat. (1997) (emphasis added). Thus, Premiere is required to show that is has the financial capability to provide alternative local

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exchange service in Florida before the Commission can grant it a certificate of authority to provide such service.

- 3. Premiere is qualified financially to provide high quality alternative local exchange service in Florida. However, Premiere's available historical financial information is limited. Additionally, Premiere's strategy differs from most other ALECs which is set forth more specifically in Exhibit "B". Exhibit "B" to Premiere's ALEC Application contains Premiere's currently available financial information.
- 4. Exhibit "B" to Premiere's ALEC Application was filed with the Commission on July 16, 1999 under seal and under cover of a Notice of Intent to Request Confidential Classification pursuant to Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code. This request is being filed within 21 days of the date that Exhibit "B" and Premiere's Notice of Intent to Request Confidential Classification of Exhibit "B" were filed with the Commission. Through this request, Premiere seeks to maintain the continued confidential handling of Exhibit "B" to its ALEC Application.
- 5. Exhibit "B" is intended to be, and has been treated by Premiere, as private and has not been disclosed unless disclosed pursuant to a statutory provision, order of a court or administrative body, or private agreement that provides that the information in Exhibit "B" will not be released to the public.
- 6. Exhibit "B" is entitled to confidential classification pursuant to Section 364.183(1), Florida Statutes, and is exempt from Section 119.07(1), Florida

Statutes, and Article I, Section 24(a) of the Florida Constitution. Section 364.183(3) defines "proprietary confidential business information" as:

information, regardless of form or characteristics, which is owned or controlled by the person or company, is intended to be and is treated by the person or company as private in that the disclosure of the information would cause harm to the ratepayers or the person's or company's business operations, and has not been disclosed unless disclosed pursuant to a statutory provision, an order of a court or administrative body, or private agreement that provides that the information will not be released to the public.

- § 364.183(1), Fla. Stat. (Supp. 1996). Section 364.183(3) further provides that "proprietary confidential business information" includes "[i]nformation relating to competitive interests, the disclosure of which would impair the competitive business of the provider of information." § 364.183(3)(e), Fla. Stat. (Supp. 1996).
- 7. Exhibit "B" to Premiere's ALEC Application constitutes "proprietary confidential business information" within the meaning of that term as described in Section 364.183(3). Public disclosure of Exhibit "B" would allow competitors to have access to information about the financial resources and stability of Premiere. Accordingly, public disclosure of Exhibit "B" would irreparably harm Premiere.
- 8. Attached hereto in a sealed envelope is a copy of Exhibit "B" to Premiere's ALEC Application for which confidential classification is requested. Also attached hereto are two edited copies of Exhibit "B" on which the confidential material has been redacted. Because all of the financial information in Exhibit "B" is confidential, there is no basis for articulating a line-by-line justification for the confidential treatment of information. Premiere, however, has summarized the

confidential information contained in Exhibit "B" in this Request for Confidential Classification.

- 9. Because Exhibit "B" contains confidential information relating to Premiere's financial condition, the information in Exhibit "B" will continue to be "proprietary confidential business information".
- 10. Premiere has good cause and justification for its request, and continued confidentiality of Exhibit "B" will not prejudice the Commission, or any other persons or entities that may become parties to this docket.

WHEREFORE, Premiere respectfully requests that the Commission determine that Exhibit "B" is confidential and exempt from the Public Records Act, Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, and Article I, Section 24(a) of the Florida Constitution.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attorneys for Premiere Network Services, Inc.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT a true and correct copy of the foregoing was furnished by hand delivery to Kimberly Pena, Division of Legal Services, Florida Public Service Commission, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850 and by U.S. Mail to Jack Shreve, Office of Public Counsel, 111 W. Madison Street, Suite 812, Tallahassee, Florida 32399 this 6th day of August, 1999.

Jim Daughton

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AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF TEXAS

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority on this date personally appeared Leo A. Wrobel Jr. who swore upon his oath that the following is true:

- 1. My name is Leo A. Wrobel Jr. I am of sound mind and have never been convicted of a felony. I am over 18 years of age, capable of making this affidavit, and am fully competent to testify to the matters stated herein. I have personal knowledge of each of the facts stated herein and to the best of my knowledge, each is true and correct.
- 2. I am currently President of Premiere Network Services Inc.
- 3. The attached information is CONFIDENTIAL and portrays an accurate estimate of the financial posture of Premiere Network Services in terms of its financial condition, credit worthiness, and ability to meet the working capital requirements of its certification.

Further, Affiant sayeth not.

Leo A. Wrobel, Affiant

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED before me on this, the 22 day of JUNE, 1999.

JAQI PEACE MY COMMISSION EXPIRES February 20, 2002 Jaqi Peace

Notary-Public for the State of Texas

My Commission Expires:

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Premiere Network Services Inc.

"For Your Information...We've Got Connections!" ~



From the Office of Leo A. Wrobel, President

1510 N. Hampton, Suite 210, DeSoto, TX 75115

Direct: (972) 228-8881

Fax: (972) 228-8889

June 22, 1999

CONFIDENTIAL

State of Florida Public Service Commission Capital Circle Office Center 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FLORIDA 32399-0850

Dear Florida Commission:

Enclosed is a confidential summary of Premiere's finances, to be filed only under an appropriate protective order.

I hope this helps you better understand our financial posture. I stand ready to answer specific questions as the need arises.

Leo A Wrobel

Attachments:

Confidential Financial Performance Overview of Premiere Network Services, Inc.

A Texas "Subchapter S" Corporation Incorporated May 16, 1986

Premiere Network Services, Inc. Balance Sheet As of December 31, 1997

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Premiere Network Services, Inc. Balance Sheet As of December 31, 1998

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Premiere Network Services, Inc. Balance Sheet As of June 22, 1999

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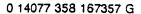


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IN TO YOUR NEAREST BANKING CENTER TO APPLY.





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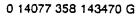
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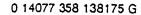


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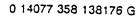
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