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DATE: August 21, 1996

Tom Williams, Division of Communications TO:

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FROM: Sonja Jones, Division of Auditing and Financial Analysis Docket No. 960764-TI, USA Global Link, Inc., Financial Analysis for Certificate

Application for Intrastate Interexchange Telecommunications Service

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 unaudited financial statements of USA Link Limited Partnership (USA) for the periods ending December 31, 1994 and December 31, 1995. An audit could change one's opinion of the company's financial condition. The company has requested confidential treatment of the financial statements provided. Based on our review, USA has adequate liquidity, ownership equity, and profitability.

In this matter, USA is asking for a certificate to provide IXC service. Staff notes the limited nature of the application and that no customer provided funds appear to be at risk. For purposes of granting a certificate based on the financial information provided, the financial capability appears adequate.

cc: Division of Legal Services Division of Records and Reporting

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