STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION JEFFERSON CITY JULY 21, 1999

CASE NO: T#-2000-18

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Enclosed find certified copy of an ORDER in the above-numbered case(s).

Sincerely,

Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

Uncertified Copy:

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

| In the Matter of the Application of |) | |
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| Common Concerns, Inc., and Washoe Technology |) | |
| Corporation for Authority for Acquisition of |) | Case No. TM-2000-18 |
| Common Concerns, Inc., by Washoe Technology |) | |
| Corporation. |) | |

ORDER DIRECTING STAFF REPORT

On July 13, 1999, Common Concerns, Inc., and Washoe Technology Corporation (Applicants) filed their joint application for Commission authority for Washoe to acquire Common Concerns. According to the joint application, Common Concerns is a Delaware corporation, currently certificated in Missouri as a competitive provider of interexchange telecommunications services. Washoe is a Nevada corporation, not presently certificated in Missouri. According to the joint application, Washoe will acquire Common Concerns, which will thereafter continue to operate in Missouri as a subsidiary of Washoe. The acquisition is expected to result in no rate increases, service interruptions, or other inconveniences to Common Concerns' Missouri customers.

The Commission believes that appropriate input from the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) will assist in the resolution of this matter. Therefore, the Staff shall investigate the circumstances set out in the joint application and make a report to the Commission, including a recommendation as to whether or not the joint application should be granted.



IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- 1. That the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission shall investigate the circumstances set out in the joint application and make a written report to the Commission, including a recommendation as to whether or not the joint application should be granted, on or before September 21, 1999.
 - 2. That this order shall become effective on August 3, 1999.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(SEAL)

Kevin A. Thompson, Deputy Chief Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.120(1), (November 30, 1995) and Section 386.240, RSMo 1994.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 21st day of July, 1999.

STATE OF MISSOURI OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City,

Missouri, this 21ST day of JULY, 1999.

Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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