## STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 19th day of October, 1994.

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In the matter of the application for authority to transfer control of IDB Communications Group, Inc., to LDDS Communications, Inc.

) <u>Case No. TM-95-63</u> )

## **ORDER APPROVING MERGER**

On August 31, 1994, IDB Communications, Inc. (IDB), IDB WorldCom Services, Inc. (IDB WorldCom), and LDDS Communications, Inc. (LDDS) filed a request for the transfer of control of IDB and its wholly-owned subsidiary, IDB WorldCom, to LDDS. IDB and IDB WorldCom will become wholly-owned subsidiaries of LDDS after the transaction. The transfer of control is designed to change the ownership of IDB and IDB WorldCom and will not affect the services provided by IDB WorldCom in Missouri. The merger will provide IDB operations access to LDDS's greater capabilities and will enable IDB and IDB WorldCom to enhance their service offerings.

On October 13, 1994, Commission Staff filed a memorandum recommending the Commission approve the merger. Staff indicates that it could find no adverse effects of the merger on Missouri customers.

The Commission has reviewed the proposed merger and finds that the authority sought should be granted. Based upon the pleadings, IDB WorldCom, the wholly-owned subsidiary of IDB, is certificated to provide telecommunications services in Missouri and LDDS is certificated to provide telecommunications services in Missouri. The transaction will change the ownership of IDB and IDB WorldCom but IDB WorldCom will maintain its current operations and operate under its existing tariffs. Since the merger will be transparent to the customers and both companies are certificated to provide service in Missouri and as competitive companies, the Commission finds there is no detriment to the public interest from the merger.

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That IDB Communications Group, Inc., is hereby granted authority to transfer control to and merge with LDDS Communications, Inc., the operations and assets of its wholly-owned subsidiary, IDB WorldCom Services, Inc.

2. That IDB Communications Group, Inc., is hereby authorized to take whatever actions are reasonable and necessary to complete the merger approved in ordered paragraph 1.

3. That this order shall become effective on the 1st day of November, 1994.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Mueller, Chm., McClure, Perkins, Kincheloe and Crumpton, CC., concur.

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