## BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Request for acknowledgement of transfer of controlling interest of World Pass Communication Corp., holder of Interexchange Telecommunications Certificate No. 3501, to Merlot Communications, Inc.

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

SUSAN F. CLARK, Chairman
J. TERRY DEASON
JOE GARCIA
JULIA L. JOHNSON
DIANE K. KIESLING

## NOTICE OF PROPOSED AGENCY ACTION ORDER ACKNOWLEDGING PURCHASE OF 100% OF NEW COMMON STOCK

## BY THE COMMISSION:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the Florida Public Service Commission that the action discussed herein is preliminary in nature and will become final unless a person whose interests are substantially affected files a petition for a formal proceeding, pursuant to Rule 25-22.029, Florida Administrative Code.

Pursuant to Section 364.33, Florida Statutes, a person may not acquire ownership or control of any telecommunications facility, or any extension thereof for the purpose of providing telecommunications services to the public, including the acquisition, transfer, or assignment of majority organizational control or controlling stock ownership, without prior approval from this Commission.

On November 13, 1996, World Pass Communication Corp. filed with this Commission a request for authority to transfer controlling interest from World Pass Communication Corp. to Merlot Communications, Inc. World Pass Communication Corp. holds Interexchange Telecommunications Certificate No. 3501 issued

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November 10, 1993, pursuant to Order No. PSC-93-1651-FOF-TI. Merlot will own 100% of the shares of World Pass Communication Corp. World Pass Communication states that no name change or tariff revision will be made.

Based on the foregoing, it is, therefore,

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that the transfer of controlling interest in World Pass Communication Corp. to Merlot Communications, Inc. is hereby approved. It is further

ORDERED that, unless a person whose substantial interests are affected by the action proposed herein files a petition in the form and by the date specified in the Notice of Further Proceedings or Judicial Review, this Order shall become final and effective and this docket shall be closed.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 7th day of <u>January</u>, <u>1997</u>.

BLANCA S. BAYÓ, Director

Division of Records and Reporting

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## NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.59(4), Florida Statutes, to notify parties of any administrative hearing or judicial review of Commission orders that is available under Sections 120.57 or 120.68, Florida Statutes, as well as the procedures and time limits that apply. This notice should not be construed to mean all requests for an administrative hearing or judicial review will be granted or result in the relief sought.

The action proposed herein is preliminary in nature and will not become effective or final, except as provided by Rule 25-22.029, Florida Administrative Code. Any person whose substantial interests are affected by the action proposed by this order may file a petition for a formal proceeding, as provided by Rule 25-22.029(4), Florida Administrative Code, in the form provided by Rule 25-22.036(7)(a) and (f), Florida Administrative Code. This petition must be received by the Director, Division of Records and Reporting, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, by the close of business on January 28, 1997.

In the absence of such a petition, this order shall become effective on the day subsequent to the above date as provided by Rule 25-22.029(6), Florida Administrative Code.

Any objection or protest filed in this docket before the issuance date of this order is considered abandoned unless it satisfies the foregoing conditions and is renewed within the specified protest period.

If this order becomes final and effective on the date described above, any party substantially affected may request judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility or by the First District Court of Appeal in the case of a water or wastewater utility by filing a notice of appeal with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting and filing a copy of the notice of appeal and the filing fee with the appropriate court. This filing must be completed within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this order, pursuant to Rule 9.110, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure. The notice of appeal must be in the form specified in Rule 9.900(a), Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.