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Docket No. 971064-TX, ACSI Local Switched Service, Inc., Financial Analysis for RE: Certificate Application for Alternative Local Exchange Telecommunications Service

Section 364.337 (1), Florida Statutes, requires the following:

The commission shall grant a certificate of authority to provide alternative local exchange 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.

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(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 audited financial statements of ACSI Local Switched Service, Inc. (ACSI) for the 12 month period ending June 30, 1996. As the attached schedule shows, ACSI has a minimal equity ratio, and produced a negative net income for the period. However, ACSI maintains adequate liquidity and nearly nine million dollars of common equity.

In this matter, ACSI is asking for a certificate to provide alternative local exchange telecommunications service. For purposes of granting a certificate based on the financial information provided, the financial capability appears marginal.

Although an analysis of the financial statements reveals the applicant is in a marginal financial CTR position, the applicant attests to its financial capability to provide and maintain the proposed EAG _____telecommunications service by noting that the Company can acquire additional capital through equity or debt financing. Based on this showing, the applicant appears to meet the financial capability standard of Section 364.337, Florida Statutes.

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ACSI LOCAL SWITCHED SERVICES, INC.

ALTERNATIVE LOCAL EXCHANGE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

FROM AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

AS OF 06/30/96

CURRENT ASSETS \$138,196,858

CURRENT LIABILITIES 23,231,109

CURRENT RATIO 5.95

CASH 134,115,981

COMMON EQUITY 8,981,813

TOTAL DEBT 189,071,674

TOTAL INVESTOR CAPITAL 198,053,487

COMMON EQUITY RATIO 5%

NET INCOME (30,653,372)

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