BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Cancellation by Florida Public Service Commission of Interexchange Telecommunications Certificate No. 5323 issued to Financial Intranet, Inc. for violation of Rules 25-4.0161, F.A.C., Regulatory Assessment Fees; Telecommunications Companies, and 25-24.480(2)(a) and (b), F.A.C., Records & Reports; Rules Incorporated.

DOCKET NO. 991613-TI ORDER NO. PSC-00-0819-AS-TI ISSUED: April 25, 2000

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

JOE GARCIA, Chairman J. TERRY DEASON SUSAN F. CLARK E. LEON JACOBS, JR. LILA A. JABER

ORDER APPROVING SETTLEMENT

BY THE COMMISSION:

Financial Intranet, Inc. (Financial Intranet) obtained Certificate No. 5323 on February 17, 1998. Financial Intranet had not paid the 1998 Regulatory Assessment Fees (RAFs). Also, accrued statutory penalties and interest charges for late RAFs payments for the year 1998 had not been paid. RAFs are required by Section 364.336, Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-4.0161, Florida Administrative Code.

All entities that apply for certification receive a copy of our rules governing Interexchange Telecommunications service. All applicants must attest that these rules have been received and understood by the applicant and an affidavit must be attached to the application in order for the application to be processed.

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Pursuant to Section 364.336, Florida Statutes, certificate holders must pay a minimum annual RAF of \$50 if the certificate was active during any portion of the calendar year. The RAFs form was mailed to Financial Intranet for the period of January 1, 1998, through December 31, 1998 on December 10, 1998. Pursuant to Rule 25-4.0161(2), Florida Administrative Code, the form and applicable fees are due to the Florida Public Service Commission by January 30 of the subsequent year. However, pursuant to Section 350.113(4), Florida Statutes, the Commission shall provide at least a 45 days notice of the date the payment is due prior to the due date. Financial Intranet was scheduled to remit its RAFs by February 1, 1999. As of March 17, 1999, Financial Intranet had not paid the required fees.

Further, the Commission's correspondence regarding the RAFs was returned by the United States Postal Service. The return of these materials indicated that Financial Intranet may have violated Rule 25-24.480, Florida Administrative Code, which requires the reporting to the Commission of an address change and/or a change in the name, title, or telephone number of the individual responsible for Commission contacts, within ten (10) days of its effectiveness.

The Commission voted to impose a \$1,000 fine (\$500 for each rule violation) or cancel Financial Intranet's certificate At the December 21, 1999, Agenda Conference and issued Order No. PSC-00-0073-PAA-TI on January 10, 2000, to reflect the vote. However, on December 17, 1999, Mr. Corey Rinker, representative of Financial Intranet, called staff and provided the Commission with the company's updated address and phone numbers. Mr. Rinker also advised that the past due amount would be paid and Financial Intranet would propose a settlement offer. Further, on December 21, 1999, we received the 1998 RAFs in full, including accrued statutory penalties and interest charges, and a settlement Financial Intranet offered to contribute \$250 to the proposal. State General Revenue Fund, proposed to pay future RAFs on a timely basis, and proposed to notify this Commission within 10 days of a change of address and telephone number.

We believe that the terms of the settlement agreement represent a fair and reasonable resolution of this matter. Accordingly, we hereby accept the settlement offer. Financial Intranet must comply with these requirements within ten business days from the date this Order becomes final. The contribution should be identified with the docket number and the company name. Upon timely receipt, the contribution will be forwarded to the

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Office of the Comptroller for deposit in the State General Revenue Fund pursuant to Section 364.285(1), Florida Statutes. If Financial Intranet fails to comply with this Order, its certificate will be canceled administratively. Upon remittance of the \$250 contribution or cancellation of the certificate, this docket shall be closed.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that Financial Intranet, Inc.'s settlement proposal summarized in the body of this Order is hereby approved. It is further

ORDERED that this docket shall remain open pending receipt of the \$250 contribution. The contribution will be transmitted to the Comptroller for deposit in the State of Florida General Revenue Fund. It is further

ORDERED that upon receipt of the \$250 contribution or cancellation of the certificate this docket shall be closed.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this <u>25th</u> day of <u>April</u>, <u>2000</u>.

BLANCA S. BAYÓ, Directo:

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 120.569(1), 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.

Any party adversely affected by the Commission's final action in this matter may request: 1) reconsideration of the decision by filing a motion for reconsideration with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, within fifteen (15) days of the issuance of this order in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code; or 2) judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility or the First District Court of Appeal in the case of a water and/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. filing must be completed within thirty (30) days after the issuance of this order, pursuant to Rule 9.110, Florida Rules of Appellate The notice of appeal must be in the form specified in Rule 9.900(a), Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.