R. SCOTT SEAB, Esq. Vice - President, Regulatory Affairs

February 7, 2000

Florida Public Service Commission Division of Records and Reports ATTN: Blanca Bayo 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Re: NOW Communications, Inc. ~ IXC Company Code TJ102, Docket 991827-TI and ALEC Company Code TX197, Docket 991987-TX

Dear Ms. Bayo:

On January 24th of this year, I submitted an offer to settle the alleged violations reported in the above dockets for failure to pay the minimum regulatory assessment fees of \$50 per report (copy attached).

Pursuant to a fax from Paula Isler received today, I hereby amend the language of that offer to settle to include the following sentence at her request: "NOW has taken steps to ensure that this rule violation will not occur in the future." Specifically, NOW has recently hired an internal accounting officer to ensure compliance with all state reporting obligations. His name is Mr. Philip Stevens, located at NOW's headquarters (1695 High Street, Suite B, Jackson, MS 39205).

For convenience, a duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed so that it can be placed in the other docket's file as well. An additional copy of this letter is enclosed so that you may acknowledge receipt and file stamp the copy, and return it to me in the envelope provided. I appreciate you attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

R. Scott Seab, Esq.

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January 24, 2000

Florida Public Service Commission Division of Records and Reports ATTN: Blanca Bayo 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850 VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS

Re: NOW Communications, Inc. ~ IXC Company Code TJ102, Docket 991827-Tl and ALEC Company Code TX197, Docket 991987-TX

Dear Ms. Bayo:

I have today spoken with staff attorney Kimberly Pena regarding this matter. Pursuant to the terms of that discussion, this letter serves as an offer to settle the alleged violations reported in the above dockets for failure to pay the minimum regulatory assessment fees of \$50 per report.

NOW hereby tenders payment for the past due amount of \$50 per report, plus interest, which totals \$68.50 each. NOW further offers, as an inducement to settle promptly, a contribution of \$100 per certificate. Until that proposed contribution is formally accepted, enclosed is a check for $$137.00 ($68.50 \times 2)$.

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