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VIA HAND DELIVERY

Terri Carlock
Idaho Public Utilities Commission
472 W. Washington
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Re: Columbine Telephone Company, Inc. RTFC \$8,400,000 Loan
Our File: 1534-42

Dear Terri:

Per our telephone conversation, this letter confirms our agreement that the deadline for the Commission's decision on Columbine Telephone Company's \$8,400,000 RTFC loan should be extended until May 31, 2003.

Also, I am enclosing the executed original and four copies of Columbine's Exhibit A in this case.

If you have any questions, give me a call.

Sincerely,

Conley Ward

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CERTIFIED COPY OF MINUTES AUTHORIZING LOAN

APPLICATION AND AGREEMENT 2003 MAY 15 PM 4:17

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I, Bonnie E. Hoopes, do hereby certify that: I am the Secretary of Columbine Telephone Company, Inc. (the "Corporation").

The following is a true and correct copy of excerpts from the minutes of a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Corporation held April 30, 2003, as they appear in the Minutes Book of the Corporation, said resolutions duly adopted thereat; the meeting was duly and regularly called in accordance with the bylaws of the Corporation; the Loan Application and Agreement (the "Agreement") to be submitted to Rural Telephone Finance Cooperative ("RTFC") was authorized by the Board of Directors and said resolutions have not been modified or rescinded:

The Board of Directors of Columbine Telephone Company having been advised by its counsel that the Corporation is legally constituted, is in compliance with all applicable statutory, regulatory and other legal requirements and is in good standing, and that an application to be made to RTFC for a loan and its approval by RTFC, together with the execution of an agreement as authorized by the Board, will constitute valid and binding obligations of the Corporation, enforceable by and against the Corporation, in accordance with the terms of these documents;

RESOLVED, that the Corporation borrow from the Rural Telephone Finance Cooperative ("RTFC") an amount which shall not exceed in the aggregate \$8,400,000 for a term as set forth in the Agreement, and at such interest rate or rates as shall be prescribed in the Agreement executed by and on behalf of the Corporation and delivered to RTFC, the proceeds of such loan to be used for purposes set forth in the Agreement and consistently with the requirements of existing agreements and security documents of the Corporation; and,

RESOLVED, that the President of the Corporation be and is hereby authorized to execute, on behalf of the Corporation, an agreement substantially in the form of the Agreement presented to this meeting, to revise and modify said Agreement within the amount so authorized; and to apply such further documents as may be need to comply with RTFC's requirements; and,

RESOLVED, that the President is authorized on behalf of the Corporation to request and receive funds pursuant to the Agreement; and,

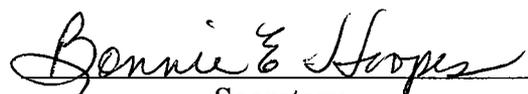
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EXHIBIT A

RESOLVED, that the appropriate officers are authorized to take all actions they deem advisable to carry out the purpose of these resolutions.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunder set my hand and affixed the seal of the Corporation, this 30th day of April, 2003.


Secretary