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IDAHO PUBLIC
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BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE ANNUAL
REVISION OF THE UNIVERSAL SERVICE
FUND SURCHARGES TO BECOME
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

Case No. GNR-T-09-05
Order No. 30894

**PETITION TO EXTEND TIME TO
FILE WRITTEN COMMENTS**

On September 2, 2009, the Idaho Public Utilities Commission (the "Commission") issued Order No. 30894 in connection with Case No GNR-T-09-05 (the "Order"), requiring certain telecommunications companies currently receiving Universal Service Fund support to raise their local residential rates and/or their switched access rates. The Idaho Telecom Alliance ("ITA"), by and through its attorneys of record, Givens Pursley LLP, on behalf of its members, which include the telecommunications companies required to raise their local residential rates and/or their switched access rates, desires to file written comments to the Order within twenty one days of the date of the Order.

Upon receipt of the Order, ITA attempted to obtain from the Commission information regarding how the Administrator of the Idaho Universal Service Fund calculated the statewide weighted average rate upon which the proposed change in rates is based. Commission staff did

not have this information available. ITA is unable at this time to prepare written comments within twenty one days of the date of the Order, without the opportunity to first review and analyze that information.

Thus, ITA, on behalf of its members, which include the telecommunications companies required to raise their local residential rates and/or their switched access rates in order to remain eligible to receive Universal Service Fund support, hereby respectfully requests an extension of time to file written comments to the Order in the amount of thirty (30) days to allow ITA to obtain, review and analyze the information regarding how the Administrator of the Idaho Universal Service Fund calculated the statewide weighted average rate upon which the proposed change in rates is based.

DATED this 14th day of September 2009.

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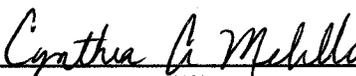
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the 14th day of September 2009, a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served upon the following individual(s) by the means indicated:

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Idaho Public Utilities Commission
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