(text box: 1)BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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| IN THE MATTER OF DIRECT COMMUNICA­TIONS ROCKLAND, INC.’S APPLICATION FOR AUTHORITY TO INCREASE RATES AND DISBURSEMENTS FROM THE IDAHO USF. | )  )  )  )  )  )  ) | CASE NO. ROK-T-97-1  NOTICE OF APPLICATION  ORDER NO.  27230 |

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that on October 23, 1997, Direct Communications Rockland, Inc. (Rockland) filed an Application with the Commission seeking authority to increase its local exchange rates and to receive increased distributions from the Idaho Universal Service Fund (USF).

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Application together with supporting workpapers, testimonies and exhibits, have been filed with the Commission and are available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Commission offices.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this case will be held pursuant to the Commission's jurisdiction under Title 61 of the Idaho Code and that the Commission may enter any final Order consistent with its authority under Title 61.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this matter will be conducted pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.000 et seq.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that due to other constraints on the Commission’s time and because of the complexity of this matter, the Commission will not be able to resolve Rockland’s Application by the requested effective date.  Consequently, pursuant to Idaho Code § 61-622, the Commission hereby suspends Rockland’s requested effective date of December 1, 1997, for a period of thirty (30) days plus five (5) months or until such time as the Commission issues a final Order in this matter resolving the Application.

O R D E R

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Application of Rockland for authority to increase its local exchange rates and to increase the amount of disbursements it receives from the Universal Service Fund is suspended for a period of thirty (30) days plus five (5) months from the requested effective date of December 1, 1997.

DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this                  day of November 1997.

DENNIS S. HANSEN, PRESIDENT

RALPH NELSON, COMMISSIONER

MARSHA H. SMITH, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

Myrna J. Walters

Commission Secretary

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**COMMENTS AND ANNOTATIONS**

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Service Date

November 28, 1997