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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION DEC 9 1999 OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Missouri Public S**ervice Commissio**n

In the Matter of the Application of Matrix Telecom, Inc. for a Certificate of Service Authority to Provide Intrastate Interexchange Telecommunications Services, for Designation as a Competitive Telecommunication Company, and for Waiver of Certain Statutory and Regulatory Provisions.

Case No. TA - 2000 - 361

MOTION BY MATRIX TELECOM, INC. FOR A PROTECTIVE ORDER

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Comes now Matrix Telecom, Inc. ("Matrix") and moves the Commission, pursuant to 4 C.S.R. 240-2.080(13), to issue a protective order in this matter with respect to Matrix' financial information provided in Confidential Appendix III to its Application. In support of its motion, Matrix states as follows:

1. Matrix is organized under the laws of Texas with its principal offices located at 8721 Airport Freeway, Ft. Worth, TX 76180.

2. In its Application, Matrix is seeking Commission grant of a certificate of service authority and other related relief. Matrix has included as Confidential Appendix III its financial statements.

3. Matrix requests that the financial statements of Matrix be treated as proprietary documents, in that information concerning its financial standing could be used for competitive purposes.

4. The financial statements are private and confidential financial and business information and, therefore, constitute proprietary information entitled to protection from disclosure under 4 C.S.R. 240-2.080(13).

WHEREFORE, Matrix Telecom, Inc. respectfully requests that the Commission issue its

standard protective order in this proceeding with respect to the financial statements.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Dated: December 8, 1999

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that on this date, a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing was served via Federal Express on the Office of Public Counsel, 301 W. High Street, Jefferson City, Missouri 65101, on this $\underline{9+2}$ day of December, 1999.

VERIFICATION

STATE OF MISSOURI)) ss. COUNTY OF JACKSON)

COMES NOW Mark P. Johnson, being of lawful age and duly sworn, swears and affirms as follows:

- 1. My name is Mark P. Johnson and I am the attorney for Matrix Telecom, Inc. In that capacity I am authorized to verify this Motion and the information contained therein on behalf of Matrix Telecom, Inc.
- 2. The information contained in the Motion is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me this $\frac{g^{\mu}}{2}$ day of December, 1999.

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Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

KAREN M. STALKER Notary Public – Notary Seal STATE OF MISSOURI Jackson County My Commission Expires: April 20, 2002