BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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Public Service Commission

In the Matter of the Application of)
Digital Access Corporation of Missouri, Inc.)
for a Certificate of Service Authority to)
Provide Basic Local Service,)
Nonswitched Local Exchange Service)
and Interexchange Telecommunications)
Services within the State of)
Missouri and for Competitive Classification)

Case No. <u>TA-2000-752</u> FILED³

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MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER

Digital Access Corporation of Missouri, Inc. ("Digital Access" or "Applicant"), and moves the Commission, pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.085, to issue a protective order in this matter with respect to financial information provided in conjunction with Digital Access's Application for certificates of service authority, which is being filed concurrently herewith. In support of its motion, Digital Access states as follows:

- 1. Digital Access is a privately held corporation engaged in the provision of telecommunications services which are highly competitive. The public disclosure of financial statements of Digital Access and its affiliated companies, Digital Access, LLC, and Digital Access, Inc., could be injurious to the business and competitive position of Digital Access.
- 2. Digital Access has concurrently filed its Application for certificates of service authority to provide basic local, local exchange and interexchange telecommunications service. Exhibit C to the Application includes highly confidential financial information which has been marked Highly Confidential and filed in a sealed envelope. In accordance with 4 CSR 240-2.085(2), one original and eight sets of the public version of the Application (with confidential Exhibit C omitted) and one original and eight sets of highly confidential Exhibit C under seal are being filed.

3. The financial statements of provided with the Application are private and confidential financial and business information, and therefore constitute proprietary information entitled to protection from disclosure under 4 CSR 240-2.085. None of the information for which Applicant claims confidentiality has been released in any format in any other public document.

WHEREFORE, Digital Access respectfully requests that the Commission issue its standard protective order in this proceeding with respect to financial statements filed as Exhibit C to Digital Access's Application for Certificates of Service Authority.

Respectfully submitted,

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Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that a copy of this document has been hand delivered or mailed by first class mail, postage prepaid, to the Office of Public Counsel and the General Counsel's office on this 12th day of May 2000.

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