

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
JEFFERSON CITY
October 12, 2001**

CASE NO: TM-2001-669

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Enclosed find certified copy of an THIRD ORDER in the above-numbered case(s).

Sincerely,

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**Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge**

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Joint Application of Claricom Networks,)
Inc., Claricom Holdings, Inc., Staples,)
Inc., Stacom Holdings, LLC, and)
Platinum Equity, LLC, for Approval of)
the Transfer of Stock in Claricom)
Holdings, Inc., to Stacom Holdings, Inc.)

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THIRD ORDER DIRECTING FILING

This order allows the applicant or any other party to respond to a pleading filed in support of the Commission taking jurisdiction and also directs the applicants to comply with the first order directing filing.

On October 10, 2001, the Office of the Public Counsel filed suggestions in support of the Missouri Public Service Commission taking jurisdiction in this case. Any other party may, but is not required to, file a response to that pleading.

In its response to the Commission's second order directing filing issued on August 30, 2001, the Staff of the Commission filed a pleading on October 1, 2001. In that pleading, Staff stated that it "was unable to find [in the application] a statement of the impact the sale will have on the tax revenues of political subdivisions as required under [Commission Rule] 4 CSR 240-2.060(7)(F)."

The rule that Staff cited states:

In addition to the requirements of section (1), applications for authority to sell, assign, lease or transfer assets shall include: ... For ... telecommunications ... companies, a statement of the impact, if any, the sale, assignment, lease or transfer of assets will have on the tax revenues of the political subdivisions in which any structures, facilities or equipment of the companies involved in that sale are located.

Since the sale, assignment, lease, or transfer of assets proposed in this case does not involve "any structures, facilities or equipment of the companies," it is doubtful that this information is required.

The Commission will order that the applicants comply with the Commission's first order directing filing issued on June 18, 2001, wherein the Commission ordered the applicant to cure the deficiencies in its application. At the Staff's request, the Commission will also add the requirement that the applicants supply the information required under Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.060(7)(F), i.e., a statement of the impact, if any, that the sale, assignment, lease, or transfer of assets will have on the tax revenues of the political subdivisions in which any structures, facilities or equipment of the companies involved in that sale are located.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That Claricom Networks, Inc. must file no later than October 22, 2001, a supplementary pleading to correct its application as set forth in this order.
2. That any party may, but no party is required to, file no later than October 22, 2001, a response to the pleading filed by the Office of the Public Counsel on October 10, 2001.
3. That this order will become effective on October 22, 2001.

BY THE COMMISSION



**Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge**

(SEAL)

Bill Hopkins, Senior Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority under
Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

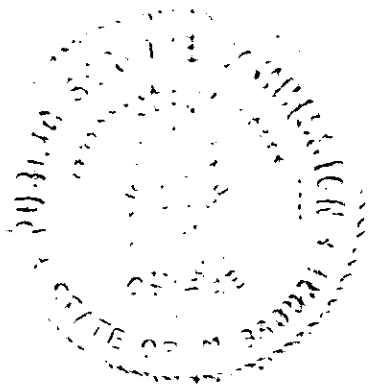
Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 12th day of October, 2001.

STATE OF MISSOURI

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and
I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City,
Missouri, this 12th day of Oct. 2001.



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Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge