

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Joint Application of)
New Florence Telephone Company, Tiger)
Telephone, Inc., and Direct Communications)
Rockland, Inc., for an Order Authorizing Direct)
Communications Rockland, Inc., to Purchase)
or Acquire, Take or Hold all of the Issued and)
Outstanding Capital Stock of Tiger Telephone,)
Inc.)

Case No. TO-2007-0139

ORDER ESTABLISHING PROTECTIVE ORDER

Issue Date: October 5, 2006

Effective Date: October 5, 2006

On October 2, 2006, the above named entities filed a joint application for authority to transfer all of the stock of New Florence Telephone Company, which is owned by Tiger Telephone, Inc., to Direct Communications Rockland, Inc. With the application, the applicants also filed a motion for a protective order.

In the Motion for Issuance of Protective Order, the applicants state that “none of the information for which a claim of confidentiality is made can be found in any format in any order public document.”

Upon review of the applicants’ motion, the Commission finds that there is a need to protect confidential information and that requests for protective orders are reasonable. The Commission has previously recognized the need to protect confidential information and the issuance of protective orders has helped to minimize disputes in past cases. Therefore, protective orders should be established.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. New Florence Telephone Company, Tiger Telephone, Inc. and Direct Communications Rockland, Inc.'s motion for a protective order is granted and the protective order attached to this order (Attachment A) is adopted.

2. This order shall become effective on October 5, 2006.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Colleen M. Dale', written over a horizontal line.

Colleen M. Dale
Secretary

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Kennard L. Jones, Senior Regulatory
Law Judge, by delegation of authority
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 5th day of October, 2006.