

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)	<u>Case No. TO-2007-0139</u>
or Acquire, Take or Hold all of the Issued and)	
Outstanding Capital Stock of Tiger Telephone,)	
Inc.)	

ORDER DIRECTING STATUS UPDATE

Issue Date: November 3, 2006

Effective Date: November 3, 2006

This order directs the Staff of the Commission to file an update advising the Commission of a date certain that Staff will file a recommendation in this matter.

On October 2, 2006 New Florence Telephone Company, Tiger Telephone, Inc. and Direct Communications Rockland, Inc. filed a joint application as described in the caption above. Thereupon, the Commission issued an order directing that notice of the proposed transaction be sent to the general public and those who may be interested. In the order, the Commission set an intervention deadline of October 25, 2006. There were no timely requests to intervene. To move this matter forward, the Commission will therefore require its Staff to file a pleading indicating a date by which Staff will file a recommendation.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. The Staff of the Commission shall file a status report no later than November 13, 2006, informing the Commission of a date by which Staff will file a recommendation in this matter.
2. This order shall become effective on November 3, 2006.

BY THE COMMISSION



Colleen M. Dale
Secretary

(S E A L)

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 3rd day of November, 2006.