BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the matter of the)
application of)
Budget Phone, Inc.)
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for a certificate of)
service authority) Case No
to provide interexchange)
telecommunications services)

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MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER

Budget Phone, Inc. (hereinafter "Applicant"), by its attorney and pursuant to Chapter 392 of the Missouri Revised Statutes and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, hereby moves the Missouri Public Service Commission (the "Commission") for a protective order of non-disclosure precluding public disclosure of certain proprietary, confidential information, to be filed in connection with Applicant's Application for a Certificate of Service Authority to provide interexchange telecommunications services within the State of Missouri (the "Application") filed with the Commission on this date. In support of its Motion, Applicant provides the following information:

1. The information that Applicant seeks to protect is the financial information to be submitted as Exhibit III to its Application (the "Protected Information"). The Protected Information consists of Financial Statements for Budget Phone, Inc., a privately held company, which is not subject to public reporting requirements. Exhibit III is attached to the Application without the Protected Information and is marked with

the words "PROPRIETARY INFORMATION" in large letters. A copy of the Protected Information is attached hereto.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Protected 2. Information be subject to a protective order of non-disclosure under Commission Rules of Practice and Procedure; that the Protected Information (and any reproduction or copying of any part thereof) be restricted to counsel, and other agents or employees, who have been specifically assigned to this proceeding by the Commission; that the Protected Information be used solely in connection with this proceeding; that the Protected Information used in depositions, prepared testimony or other similar uses will be redacted and submitted under seal; that all Protected Information should be marked "CONFIDENTIAL, SUBJECT TO PROTECTIVE ORDER"; that neither the filing of the Protected Information in this proceeding, nor the furnishing of the Protected Information for review by the General Staff of the Commission ("Staff") shall be considered a waiver of any right to object upon any ground to the use of introduction into evidence during any proceeding of any Protected Information; and that not later than thirty (30) days following the conclusion of this proceeding by issuance of a final, non-appealable order of this Commission, all Protected Information designed as "CONFIDENTIAL, SUBJECT TO PROTECTIVE ORDER" including all copies in whole or in part thereof, should be returned to Applicant.

3. As grounds for this motion, Applicant states:

(a) The Protected Information is not known outside of Applicant.

(b) The Protected Information is not disseminated within Applicant and is known only by those of Applicant's employees who have a legitimate business need to know and act upon the information.

(c) Applicant has maintained and seeks to preserve the confidentiality of the Protected Information through all appropriate means including the maintenance of appropriate security as its offices, and the filing of this motion.

(d) The disclosure of this Protected Information would cause material damage to the competitive and financial position of Applicant in that it would provide Applicant's competitors with sensitive data respecting to Applicant's sales, customer usage, and financing strategies.

(e) By granting Applicant's motion, there will be no damage to any public interest in disclosure. In fact, the public will be best served by non-disclosure of the Protected Information.

WHEREFORE, Budget Phone, Inc. requests that the Commission enter an order granting Applicant's motion for protective order of non-disclosure permitting Applicant and requiring Staff to treat the Protected Information in the manner described herein.

Respectfully submitted,

Budget Phone, Inc.

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UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999

RACHEL & KOSTELKA, LLC

Certified Public Accountants

SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

Budget Phone, Inc. Shreveport, Louisiana

We have compiled the accompanying balance sheets of Budget Phone, Inc. (an S Corporation) as of December 31, 2000 and 1999, and the related statements of income, retained earnings and cash flows for the years then ended, in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services issued by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

A compilation is limited to presenting in the form of financial statements information that is the representation of management. We have not audited or reviewed the accompanying financial statements and, accordingly, do not express an opinion or any other form of assurance on them. However, we did become aware of the departures from generally accepted accounting principles that are described in the following paragraph.

Management has elected to omit substantially all of the disclosures required by generally accepted accounting principles. If the omitted disclosures were included in the financial statements, they might influence the user's conclusions about the Corporation's financial position, results of operation and cash flows. Accordingly, these financial statements are not designed for those who are not informed about such matters.

The Corporation, with the consent of its shareholders, has elected under the Internal Revenue Code to be an S Corporation. In lieu of corporation income taxes, the shareholders of an S Corporation are taxed on their proportionate share of the corporation's taxable income. Therefore, no provision or liability for federal income taxes has been included in these financial statements.

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Skreveport, L'oùisiana June 14, 2001

BUDGET PHONE, INC. BALANCE SHEETS DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999

ASSETS	2000	1999
Current Assets:	. 2000	1999
Cash	\$	· S
Accounts Receivable		
Inventories		
· Prepaid Insurance		
Total Current Assets		
Fixed Assets:		
Software and Equipment		
Furniture and Equipment		
Leasehold Improvements		
Less: Accumulated Depreciation		
Net Fixed Assets		
Other Assets:		
Deposits		
Organization Costs, Net		
Total Other Assets		
TOTAL ASSETS		

SEE ACCOUNTANTS' COMPILATION REPORT

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BUDGET PHONE, INC. BALANCE SHEETS DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999

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	LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	2000	· 1999
	Current Liabilities:	2000	1393
	Accounts Payable	5 - Friday - Friday	\$ 24,000
	Sales and Excise Taxes Payable		Section 2
	Payroll Taxes Payable		
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	Total Current Liabilities		
	Long Term Liabilities:	·	
	Loans from Stockholders		
	Loans from Stockholders		
	Total Long Term Liabilities		
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	Stockholders' Equity:	,	
	Stock		
	Retained Earnings		
	Total Stockholders' Equity		
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BUDGET PHONE, INC. STATEMENTS OF INCOME YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999

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Sales		S COMPANY
Cost of Sales		
Gross Profit on Sales		and the second
Operating Expenses: Salaries Commissions Contract Labor Advertising Bank Charges Repairs and Maintenance Office Expense Computer Expense Equipment Rental Freight Insurance Dues and Subscriptions Interest Expense Meals/Entertainment Postage/Mailing Professional Fees Telephone Auto Expense		
Utilities Supplies Depreciation and Amortization Rent Administrative Fees Taxes Payroll Taxes Travel Expense Allocations		
Total Expense		
Income (Loss) from Operations		
Other Income (Expense): Vendor's Compensation Interest Income Gain (Loss) on Disposition of Asset		
Total Other Income (Expense)		
Net Income	\$ <u></u>	\$

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BUDGET PHONE, INC. STATEMENTS OF RETAINED EARNINGS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999

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BUDGET PHONE, INC. STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999

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2000	1999
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