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## Via Overnight Courier

Sharla Dillon, Dockets and Records Manager Tennessee Regulatory Authority 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, TN 37243-0505 7009 NOV 25 AN IO: 33

NOW DET # 05-0048

Re: IDS Telcom Corp. and Now Communications, Inc.

Request to Surrender Authorization to Provide Intrastate

**Telecommunications Services** 

Dear Ms. Dillon:

IDS Telcom Corp. d/b/a Cleartel Telecommunications ("IDS") and NOW Communications, Inc. d/b/a Cleartel Telecommunications ("NOW"), request that the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("TRA") cancel their authority granted by, and rescind all tariffs on file with, the TRA to provide local exchange and interexchange telecommunication services, effective immediately. IDS and NOW also request that their Letters of Credit Numbers 68005535 and 7413201, be cancelled and returned in accordance with the Commission's acknowledgment, acceptance and subsequent approval of this request.

In Tennessee, IDS holds authority to provide local exchange and interexchange telecommunications services granted in Docket No. 05-00048 on June 30, 2005. NOW holds authority to provide local exchange and interexchange telecommunications services granted in Docket No. 03-00455 on February 19, 2004. IDS and NOW, however, no longer provide telecommunications services in Tennessee following the completion of the migration of IDS and NOW's customers to Birch Communications on August 25, 2009. IDS and NOW, therefore, no longer require their authorizations and are in the process of winding their business down and dissolving, which IDS and NOW intend to complete by mid-December 2009. Because IDS and NOW do not serve any customers or have any active operations in Tennessee, IDS and NOW respectfully submit that the surrender of their authorizations and withdrawal of their tariffs is reasonable and necessary and will not be disruptive to the present or future public interest, convenience and necessity.

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 $<sup>^{1}</sup>$  See Docket No. 0900074 approving the transfer of assets and customers from IDS and NOW to Birch Communications.

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An original and thirteen (13) copies of this notice are enclosed for filing. Please date-stamp the extra copy and return it in the self-addressed, postage-paid envelope provided. Should you have any questions regarding this filing, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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## VERIFICATION

STATE OF FLORIDA

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**COUNTY OF PALM BEACH** 

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I, Randy Muench, state that I am President of IDS Telcom Corporation ("IDS") and NOW Communications, Inc, ("NOW"), the parties in the foregoing filing; that I am authorized to

make this Verification on behalf of IDS and NOW; that the foregoing filing was prepared under

my direction and supervision; and that the statements in the foregoing filing are true and correct

to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

Name: Randy Muench Title: President

IDS Telcom Corporation NOW Communications, Inc.

Sworn and subscribed before me this

day of October, 2009.

Notary Public

**DOUGLAS NOVO** 

My commission expires:

Notary Public, Fulton County, Georgia
My Commission Expires December 12, 2010

Tennessee