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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF**

**IDAHOANS FOR A COMPETITIVE EDGE IN TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.**

The undersigned, acting as the incorporator of a non-profit corporation ("Corporation") organized under and pursuant to the Idaho Nonprofit Corporation Act, Chapter 3, Title 30, Idaho Code ("Act"), adopt the following Articles of Incorporation for the Corporation.

**ARTICLE I. NAME.**

The name of the Corporation is IDAHOANS FOR A COMPETITIVE EDGE IN TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.

**ARTICLE II. NONPROFIT STATUS.**

The Corporation is a nonprofit corporation.

**ARTICLE III. PERIOD OF DURATION.**

The period of duration of the Corporation is perpetual.

**ARTICLE IV. INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT.**

The location of this Corporation is in the City of Nampa County of Canyon, State of Idaho. The address of the initial registered office is 2217 Ivy Street, Nampa, Idaho, 83686, and the name of the initial registered agent at this address is Douglas McConnaughey.

**ARTICLE V. PURPOSES.**

The purposes for which the Corporation is organized and will be operated are as follows:

- A. To promote real, competitive and free enterprise in Idaho telecommunication services.
- B. Charitable, religious, educational, or scientific within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under such Section.
- C. To exercise all powers granted by law necessary and proper to carry out the above-stated purposes, including but not limited to the power to accept donations of money, property, whether real or personal, or any other thing of value. Nothing herein contained shall be deemed to authorize or permit the Corporation to carry on any business for profit, to exercise any power, or

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to do any act that a corporation formed under the Act, or any amendment thereto or substitute therefor, may not at that time lawfully carry on or do.

#### ARTICLE VI. LIMITATIONS.

No part of the net earnings or the assets of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its directors, officers, or other private persons except that the Corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article V hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the Corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the Corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time. At no time shall the Corporation be controlled directly or indirectly by one or more disqualified persons (as defined in Section 4946 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time) other than foundation managers and other than one or more publicly supported organizations.

#### ARTICLE VII. MEMBERS.

The Corporation shall have members who shall have such rights as are provided in the Act and are consistent with the management authority that these Articles grant the Board of Directors of the Corporation. Any person may become a member of the Corporation upon payment of the annual dues fixed by the Board of Directors.

#### ARTICLE VIII. BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

The affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by its Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall consist of not less than ~~three~~ <sup>three (3)</sup> nor more than three (3) individuals, each of whom, at all times, shall be a member of the Corporation. The actual number of Directors shall be fixed by the Bylaws of the Corporation. Other than the Directors constituting the initial Board of Directors, who are designated in these Articles, the Directors shall be elected or appointed by the designated in these Articles, the Directors shall be elected or appointed by the existing Directors in the manner and for the term provided in the Bylaws of the Corporation.

The names and street addresses of the persons constituting the initial Board of Directors are:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
Douglas McConnaughey	2217 Ivy Street, Nampa, Idaho 83686
Rolf Glerum	Bruneau, Idaho 83604

James H. Kimball, Jr.

4141 Nez Perce #122, Boise, Idaho 83705

#### ARTICLE IX. MEMBERSHIP DUES

Membership dues may be charged to all members or classes of membership in equal amounts or in different amounts or proportions upon different members or classes of membership and some members or classes of membership may be made exempt from such membership dues. The Board of Directors is authorized to fix the amount of membership due from time to time, and to make them payable at such times or intervals, and upon such notice, and by such methods as the Board of Directors may prescribe.

#### ARTICLE X. DISTRIBUTION ON DISSOLUTION.

Upon dissolution of the Corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all liabilities of the Corporation, distribute all the assets of the Corporation consistent with the purposes of the Corporation [to such organization or organizations as shall at the time qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time, in such manner as the Board of Directors shall determine. Any such assets not so distributed shall be distributed by the district court of the county in which the principal office of the Corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organizations, as such court shall determine to be consistent with the purposes of the Corporation.

#### ARTICLE XI. INCORPORATOR.

The name and street address of the incorporator is Douglas McConnaughey, 2217 Ivy Street, Nampa, Idaho 83686.

#### ARTICLE XII. BYLAWS.

Provisions for the regulation of the internal affairs of the Corporation shall be set forth in the Bylaws.

DATED this 8<sup>th</sup> day of February, 1999.

