Before the **Federal Communications Commission** Washington, D.C. 20554

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In the Matter of)	
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Federal-State Joint Board)	CC Docket No. 96-45
on Universal Service)	

ORDER

Adopted: January 27, 2000 Released: January 31, 2000

By the Commission:

- Pursuant to sections 410(c) and 254 (a)(1) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, ¹ and based on recommendations submitted by the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC),² the Commission appoints the Honorable Bob Rowe, Commissioner, Montana Public Service Commission, and the Honorable Joe Garcia, Chair, Florida Public Service Commission, to serve on the Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, CC Docket No. 96-45. These appointments fill the positions vacated by the Honorable James Posey, formerly a Commissioner of the Alaska Public Utilities Commission, and the Honorable Julia Johnson, formerly a Commissioner of the Florida Public Service Commission. The Commission gratefully acknowledges the contributions of Commissioners Posey and Johnson to the work of the Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service.
- Henceforth, a copy of all filings in this proceeding shall be served on Commissioner Rowe and Chairperson Garcia at the following addresses:

The Honorable Bob Rowe Montana Public Service Commission 1701 Prospect Avenue, P.O. Box 20261 Helena, Montana 59620-2601

and

The Honorable Joe Garcia Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Gerald Gunter Bldg.

⁴⁷ U.S.C. § § 254 (a)(1), 410(c).

See letter from Charles D. Gray, NARUC, to the Honorable William E. Kennard, FCC, dated November 16, 1999 (nominating the Honorable Bob Rowe); Letter from Charles D. Gray, NARUC, to the Honorable William E. Kennard, FCC, dated November 16, 1999 (nominating the Honorable Joe Garcia).

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3. Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED that, pursuant to sections 410(c) and 254 (a)(1) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, the Honorable Bob Rowe, Commissioner of the Montana Public Service Commission, and the Honorable Joe Garcia, Chair of the Florida Public Service Commission, are appointed to the Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, CC Docket No. 96-45.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Magalie Roman Salas Secretary