

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

Certificate Number:

90-5990

Issued Pursuant to Case Number(s):

01-510-CT-ACE

A Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity is hereby granted to **Gates Communications, Inc.** whose office or principal place of business is located at **1100 Olive Way #951, Seattle, WA 98101** to provide competitive telecommunication services, throughout the state of Ohio pursuant to its tariff filed in Case No. 90-5990-CT-TRF.

This Certificate is revocable if all of the conditions set forth in the aforementioned case(s) are not met.

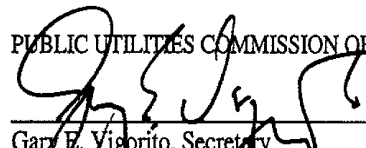
Subject to all rules and regulations of the Commission, now existing or hereafter promulgated.

Witness the seal of the Commission affixed at Columbus, Ohio.

Dated: April 2nd 2001

By Order of

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO



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