



THE STATE OF GEORGIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER

BY THE GOVERNOR:

TELECOMMUNICATIONS & TECHNOLOGY TASKFORCE

WHEREAS: The Georgia Technology Authority has been in the ongoing process to outsource telecommunications services for state and local government agencies, including public instrumentalities such as universities, colleges, schools, libraries and other government offices, providing these constituencies the modern information and communication networks they need to serve Georgians;

WHEREAS: Faced with one remaining bidder and the subsequent cancellation of the Converged Communications Outsourcing Project (CCOP) procurement process, it is important for the State to reassess its initial goals in a converged communications outsourcing and reassess its needs in information technology;

WHEREAS: In these tough financial times, the State has an obligation to identify and implement the most cost-effective solutions for the people of Georgia;

NOW THEREFORE, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY
VESTED IN ME AS GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF
GEORGIA, IT IS HEREBY

ORDERED: That there is created the Governor's Telecommunications & Technology Task Force for the purpose of reviewing the telecommunications and technology policy in Georgia and identifying options to achieve the State's technology goals for the next five to ten years.

IT IS FURTHER

ORDERED: The Task Force shall gather information needed to make the best decision concerning the future of Georgia's telecommunications infrastructure and is further directed to analyze the following:

- Cost-effective alternatives for improving the delivery of telecommunication services consistent with the business needs of state government;
- Potential impact on economic development throughout the state;
- Balancing the costs between urban and rural areas and the disparity of services between metro Atlanta and the rest of Georgia;

IT IS FURTHER

ORDERED: The Task Force is directed to deliver a report to the Governor within 60 days and upon delivery of a final report, the Task Force will be dissolved unless otherwise ordered;

IT IS FURTHER

ORDERED: That the following named persons be and are hereby appointed as members of the Governor's Telecommunications & Technology Task Force:

Dr. G. Wayne Clough, President of the Georgia Institute of
Technology, Chair,
Mr. Dave Baker, Vice President - Law and Public Policy at
Earthlink, Inc.,
Mr. Joe Bankoff, Partner - King and Spalding,
Mr. Roy Campbell, Former Mayor - Thomasville,

Mr. Steve Chaddick, Senior Vice President - CIENA Corporation,
Mr. James Edenfield, President and CEO - American Software Inc.,
Mr. Bryant K. Isaacs, President Network Technologies - ARRIS ,
Mr. James Lester, CIO – AFLAC,
Mr. Jeff Lukken, Mayor (LaGrange) and Owner - Lukken Chevrolet,
Mr. Tom Noonan, Chairman, President, and CEO - Internet Security Systems,
Mr. Todd Tibbetts, CFO - Tibs Group, Inc.,
Mr. James Tysinger, Retired Former Senator,
Ms. Joanne Walter, Vice President, Strategic Marketing - NCR Retail Division, and
Mr. Hart Williford, CEO - Verisign Corporation;

IT IS FURTHER

ORDERED: That the Task Force be assigned to the Office of Planning and Budget for administrative purposes and reimbursement of expenses as authorized by law.

This 14 day of February, 2003



GOVERNOR