UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
BEFORE THE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION



In the Matter of

AMERICA ONLINE, INC., and

TIME WARNER INC.

Docket No. C-3989

## Motion for Approval of Non-Affiliated ISP and Alternative Cable Broadband ISP Service Agreement

Pursuant to Paragraph II.A.2. of the Decision and Order ("the Consent Decree") finalized by the Federal Trade Commission (the "Commission") on April 17, 2001, AOL Time Warner Inc. ("AOLTW") moves the Commission for approval of (1) Internet Junction Corp. ("Internet Junction"), and (2) the Alternative Cable Broadband ISP Service Agreement entered into between Time Warner Cable ("TWC") and Internet Junction to provide cable broadband ISP service in TWC's Tampa, Florida and Central Florida Divisions.

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## I. <u>Internet Junction</u>.

AOLTW seeks approval of Internet Junction and the Alternative Cable Broadband Agreement between TWC and Internet Junction, dated September 20, 2001. That Agreement is based on the same economic model as the Agreement between TWC and EarthLink, Inc. ("EarthLink") that already has been approved by the Commission.

Internet Junction is a regional ISP based in

Dunedin, Florida, just west of Tampa. Internet Junction

currently provides dial-up and DSL ISP service to consumers

in west and central Florida. Internet Junction currently

operates in Hillsborough, Manatee, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk and

Sarasota counties. As of September 2001, Internet Junction

provides Internet access to approximately 18,500 subscribers

in these counties.

Founded in February 1996, Internet Junction has emerged as an aggressive competitor in the western and central Florida regions, "specializ[ing] in providing costeffective high speed Internet access". For example, for the past five years, Internet Junction has offered a package to provide unlimited dial-up Internet access for a monthly rate of \$9.95. TWC believes that Internet Junction's large

<sup>3</sup> See <http://www.ij.net/iaccess.htm>

subscriber base and rapid growth are indicative of its competitiveness in the region. Internet Junction can be expected to continue to compete through aggressive pricing as a provider of cable broadband ISP service over TWC's cable systems.

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## III. Conclusion.

TWC believes that the addition of Internet

Junction's service to the list of other ISPs scheduled to be

launched in the Tampa and Central Florida divisions

including AOL, Road Runner, and EarthLink, Inc., will

provide consumers in those divisions with the benefits of

vigorous competition.

The Cable Broadband ISP Service Agreement between TWC and Internet Junction is the result of AOLTW's ongoing efforts to enter Cable Broadband ISP Service Agreements with a number of other small and regional ISPs across TWC's cable divisions. By approving Internet Junction now and additional regional ISPs in the coming months, the Commission will provide affirmation that small and regional ISPs have a meaningful role in AOLTW's multiple ISP plans.

Additionally, by approving Internet Junction now, the Commission will ensure that consumers in the Tampa and Central Florida divisions will receive the benefit of the principal objective of the Consent Decree -- choice among an array of Cable Broadband ISPs.

For the foregoing reasons, the approval of Internet Junction by the Commission is warranted and in the public interest. We and AOLTW's representatives are available to meet with the Staff of the Commission to answer questions and provide further information in connection with any of the foregoing matters.

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Respectfully submitted,

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