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*US Xchange of Illinois, L.L.C.* )  
*d/b/a EarthLink Business I* )  
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Petition for Emergency and Expedited )  
Relief to Protect Proprietary Portions )  
from Disclosure for a Period of Not Less )  
Than Two Years Petitioner's 2014 )  
Annual Report )

**PETITION FOR EMERGENCY  
AND EXPEDITED RELIEF**

US Xchange of Illinois, L.L.C. d/b/a EarthLink Business I ("EarthLink Business"), by and through one of its attorneys, hereby petitions the Illinois Commerce Commission ("EarthLink Business") to grant to it the emergency relief requested herein. In support of this petition, EarthLink Business states as follows:

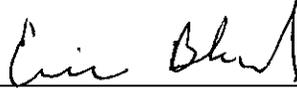
1. As a telecommunications carrier subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission, EarthLink Business is required to file with the Commission an annual report. EarthLink Business is filing both a confidential and a redacted version of the annual report with the commission.
2. Due to the content and nature of the filing, EarthLink Business' annual report will necessarily contain commerce and financial information that is highly sensitive, proprietary, confidential and the type of information which would be of particular interest to EarthLink Business' competitors and potential competitors.
3. Because the information that will be contained in EarthLink Business' annual report is so competitively sensitive, it is imperative that public disclosure of the proprietary information that will be contained in its annual report be maintained under seal for a period of not less than two years following the issuance of an Order herein by this Commission, since disclosure of this information any earlier would be likely to cause EarthLink Business serious competitive harm.

4. Section 7 of the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140/7 (g) (1994) exempts from public disclosure “trade secrets and commercial or financial information...where such trade secrets or information are proprietary, privileged or confidential.” The annual report that is the subject of this Petition falls within this exemption.

WHEREFORE, US Xchange of Illinois, L.L.C d/b/a EarthLink Business I respectfully requests that the Commission issue an expedited Order protecting proprietary portions from for a period of not less than two years EarthLink Business’ 2014 annual report.

Respectfully submitted,

**US Xchange of Illinois, L.L.C**  
**d/b/a EarthLink Business I**

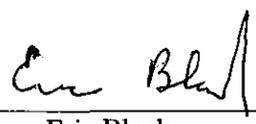
By:   
Eric Black  
VP, Assistant General Counsel

Dated:

STATE OF NEW YORK )  
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COUNTY OF MONROE ) SS:

VERIFICATION

Eric Black, being first duly sworn, deposes and states that he is an attorney for US Xchange of Illinois, L.L.C. d/b/a EarthLink Business I, that he has read the foregoing Petition for Emergency and Expedited Relief seeking proprietary treatment for its 2014 annual report and has knowledge of the contents thereof, and that the information therein contained are true to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.

  
Eric Black

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to  
before me this 25<sup>th</sup> day  
of March, 2015.

  
Notary Public

**AARON J. HILLER**  
Notary Public, State of New York  
Qualified in Monroe County  
Commission Expires March 17, 2019

My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_