

to the Commission a report of their compliance with the cease and desist provisions of the proposed Order.

The purpose of this analysis is to facilitate public comment on the proposed Order, and it is not intended to constitute an official interpretation of the agreement and proposed Order or to modify in any way their terms.

Benjamin I. Berman,
Acting Secretary.

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Columbia/HCA Healthcare Corporation; Prohibited Trade Practices, and Affirmative Corrective Actions

AGENCY: Federal Trade Commission.

ACTION: Consent order.

SUMMARY: In settlement of alleged violations of federal law prohibiting unfair acts and practices and unfair methods of competition, this consent order permits, among other things, the hospital company to complete its acquisition of Medical Care America, but requires it to divest the Alaska Surgery Center within twelve months to a Commission-approved entity. If the transaction is not completed in the designated time frame, the respondents are required to permit the Commission to appoint a trustee. In addition, the consent order requires the respondent, for ten years, to obtain Commission approval before acquiring an interest worth more than \$1 million in any outpatient surgical services facility in Anchorage, Alaska, and before selling such an interest to any entity that operates an outpatient surgical services facility in Anchorage, Alaska.

DATES: Complaint and Order issued December 6, 1994.¹

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mark Horoschak, FTC/S-3115, Washington, DC 20580, (202) 326-2756.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On Friday, September 23, 1994, there was published in the **Federal Register**, 59 FR 48883, a proposed consent agreement with analysis in the Matter of Columbia/HCA Healthcare Corporation, for the purpose of soliciting public comment. Interested parties were given sixty (60) days in which to submit comments, suggestions or objections regarding the proposed form of the order.

¹ Copies of the Complaint and the Decision and Order are available from the Commission's Public Reference Branch, H-130, 6th Street & Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20580.

No comments having been received, the Commission has ordered the issuance of the complaint in the form contemplated by the agreement, made its jurisdictional findings and entered an order to divest, as set forth in the proposed consent agreement, in disposition of this proceeding.

(Sec. 6, 38 Stat. 721; 15 U.S.C. 46. Interpret or apply sec. 5, 38 Stat. 719, as amended; sec. 7, 38 Stat. 731, as amended; 15 U.S.C. 45, 18)

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Abovo, Inc., et al.; Proposed Consent Agreement With Analysis to Aid Public Comment

AGENCY: Federal Trade Commission.

ACTION: Proposed consent agreement.

SUMMARY: In settlement of alleged violations of federal law prohibiting unfair acts and practices and unfair methods of competition, this consent agreement, accepted subject to final Commission approval, would prohibit, among other things, a Massachusetts company and its president from making false or unsubstantiated performance claims about any communication aid they offer in the future, and from making representations concerning the efficacy of their communication devices in enabling individuals with disabilities to communicate through facilitated communication, unless the respondents have competent and reliable scientific evidence to substantiate the representation.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before March 6, 1995.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be directed to: FTC/Office of the Secretary, Room 159, 6th St. and Pa. Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20580.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeffrey Klurfeld or Kerry O'Brien, San Francisco Regional Office, Federal Trade Commission, 901 Market St., Suite 570, San Francisco, CA 94103, (415) 744-7920.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to Section 6(f) of the Federal Trade Commission Act, 38 Stat. 721, 15 U.S.C. 46 and Section 2.34 of the Commission's Rules of Practice (16 CFR 2.34), notice is hereby given that the following consent agreement containing a consent order to cease and desist, having been filed with and accepted, subject to final approval, by the Commission, has been placed on the public record for a period

of sixty (60) days. Public comment is invited. Such comments or views will be considered by the Commission and will be available for inspection and copying at its principal office in accordance with Section 4.9 (b)(6)(ii) of the Commission's Rules of Practices (16 CFR 4.9(b)(6)(ii)).

In the Matter of: Abovo, Inc., a corporation, and Susan L. Lakso, individually and as an officer of said corporation.

Agreement Containing Consent Order to Cease and Desist

The Federal Trade Commission having initiated an investigation of certain acts and practices of Abovo, Inc., a corporation, and Susan L. Lakso, individually and as an officer of said corporation ("proposed respondents"), and it not appearing that proposed respondents are willing to enter into an agreement containing an order to cease and desist from the use of the acts and practices being investigated.

It is hereby agreed by and between Abovo, Inc., by its duly authorized officer, and Susan L. Lakso, individually and as an officer of said corporation, and their attorney, and counsel for the Federal Trade Commission that:

1. Proposed respondent Abovo, Inc. is a corporation organized, existing and doing business under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Massachusetts, with its office and principal place of business located at Cabotville Industrial Park, 165 Front Street, 4th Floor, B Building, in the City of Chicopee, State of Massachusetts.

Proposed respondent Susan Lakso is an officer of said corporation. She formulates, directs and controls the policies, acts and practices of said corporation and her address is the same as that of said corporation.

2. Proposed respondents admit all the jurisdictional facts set forth in the draft of complaint.

3. Proposed respondents waive:

- Any further procedural steps;
- The requirement that the Commission's decision contain a statement of findings of fact and conclusions of law; and

c. All rights to seek judicial review or otherwise to challenge or contest the validity of the order entered pursuant to this agreement.

4. This agreement shall not become part of the public record of the proceeding unless and until it is accepted by the Commission. If this agreement is accepted by the Commission, it, together with the draft of complaint contemplated thereby, will be placed on the public record for a period of sixty (60) days and