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Florida Public Service Commission
Division of Communications
Certificate of Compliance Section
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0866

Re: Tier 3 Communications, Inc.- Application for Authority

Dear Sir or Madam,

Enclosed is an original and six copies of Tier 3 Communications, Inc.'s Application for Authority to provide Local Exchange Service within the State of Florida ("Application"), including the companies proposed Tariff and \$250.00 filing fee. This Application is filed in accordance with the Rules of the Florida Public Service Commission, Chapter 25-24, Section 25-24.810, and PSC/CMU 8 (11/95). Pursuant to the enclosed motion for Protective Order, please note that Tier 3 Communication, Inc.'s financial statements are enclosed under seal.

Please acknowledge receipt of this filing by file stamping and returning to the address above.

Questions concerning this Application may be addressed to me.

Sincerely,



Matthew Brown
Lead Consultant/Tier 3 Communications, Inc.

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