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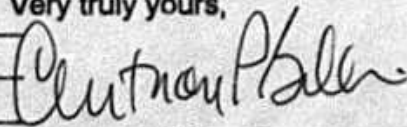
Dear Ms. Bayo:

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Re: **Docket No.**
GTE Florida Incorporated's Request for Confidential Classification of
Quarterly Report Schedules 8 and 20

Please find enclosed for filing an original and fifteen copies of GTE Florida Incorporated's Request for Confidential Classification in the above-referenced matter. The confidential documents have been highlighted in yellow and placed in a separate envelope marked "Confidential" for your convenience.

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Very truly yours,

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

GTE Florida Incorporated's Request)	Docket No.
for Confidential Classification of)	Filed: November 7, 1996
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**GTE FLORIDA INCORPORATED'S
REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION**

Under Commission Rule 25-22.006, GTE Florida Incorporated (GTEFL) seeks confidential classification and a protective order for Schedules 8 and 20 of its Quarterly Report. This information is required to be filed in accordance with Commission Rule 25-4.0185. While a ruling on this Request is pending, GTEFL understands that the information at issue is exempt from Florida Statutes section 119.07(1) and Staff will accord it the stringent protection from disclosure required by Rule 25-22.006(3)(d).

Highlighted, unredacted copies of the confidential material are attached to only the original of this Request as Exhibit A. Redacted copies of these items are attached to this Request as Exhibit B.

All of the information for which GTEFL seeks confidential treatment falls within Florida Statutes section 364.183(3)(e), which defines the term, "proprietary confidential business information," to include "information relating to competitive interests, the disclosure of which would impair the competitive business of the provider of information."

The confidential information covered in this filing is GTEFL's access lines counts by exchange area and class and grade of service. These data will be very valuable in the competitive local exchange market sanctioned by last year's major revisions to Chapter 364. With this information, alternative local exchange carriers (ALECs)--a number of

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which have already been certified—can discern the number of GTEFL's access lines by location and type of service. They will know the level of GTEFL's presence in the specified locations and lines of business. Moreover, because this information is provided quarterly, its ongoing public disclosure would allow GTEFL's competitors to determine growth and market trends in GTEFL's specific exchange areas and types of services. With this knowledge, competitors can tailor their marketing, entry and expansion plans accordingly, avoiding much of the trial and error that is the hallmark of an openly competitive marketplace.

The information for which GTEFL seeks protection is analogous to interexchange carriers' (IXCs') market share and traffic data, which reveals where a carrier's customers are located and their distribution across lines of business. The Commission customarily grants protection for the IXCs' data because of the competitive nature of the marketplace. The introduction of full local competition compels the same kind of protection for the LECs' access line data.

In a competitive business, any knowledge obtained about a competitor can be used to the detriment of the entity to which it pertains, often in ways that cannot be fully anticipated. This unfair advantage skews the operation of the market, to the ultimate detriment of the telecommunications consumer.

The following, line-by-line justification specifically describes the confidential data at issue in this Request.

Schedule 8

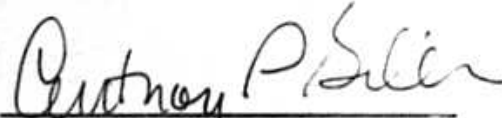
Columns B-I, Lines 1-25: Access line data for each GTEFL exchange, broken down by class of service, with access line totals for each exchange, and Florida totals for each class of service.

Schedule 20

Page 1, Columns F, H and I, Lines 1-50 and Page 2, Columns F, H and I, Lines 51-91: Access line numbers by exchange, with cumulative totals, and breakdown of lines per exchange as percentage of total lines.

For the reasons set forth in this filing, GTEFL asks the Commission to grant this Request for confidential classification of the specified information and to issue a permanent protective order with regard to these data. GTEFL further requests return of these data when they are no longer useful to the Staff, or when they are superseded by the next Quarterly Report GTEFL files with the Commission, whichever comes first.

Respectfully submitted on November 7, 1996.



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GTE FLORIDA
ACCESS LINE DATA
(INCLUDING COMPANY OFFICIAL)

SCHEDULE 8

PERIOD ENDING: SEPTEMBER 30, 1996

A **B** **C** **D** **E** **F** **G** **H** **I**

EXCHANGE	BUSINESS LOCAL	RESIDENCE LOCAL	LEC COIN	LEC COINLESS	CPE COINEXCHANGE	INTER ACCESS	TOTALS
	PBX TRUNKS	ACCESS LINES	ACCESS LINES	ACCESS LINES	ACCESS LINES	ACCESS LINES	
1 TAMPA							
2 ST PETERSBURG							
3 CLEARWATER							
4 TARPON SPRINGS							
5 NEW PORT RICHE							
6 HUDSON							
7 LAKELAND							
8 ZEPHYRHILLS							
9 PLANT CITY							
10 MULBERRY							
11 BARTOW							
12 WINTER HAVEN							
13 POLK CITY							
14 FROSTPROOF							
15 INDIAN LAKES							
16 LAKE WALES							
17 HAINES CITY							
18 SARASOTA							
19 VENICE							
20 N P CHARLOTTE							
21 ENGLEWOOD							
22 BRADENTON							
23 MYAKKA							
24 PALMETTO							
25 TOTAL FLORIDA							

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PERIOD ENDING: SEPTEMBER 30, 1996

TAMPA EAEA

SCHEDULE 20

	TAMPA EAEA			EXCHANGE	END OFFICE	EQUAL ACCESS DATA				CENTRAL OFFICE EQUIPMENT DATA				
	A	B	C			D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
	CO.	LATA	EAEA			ACCESS LINES	E.A. AVAIL. DATE & STATUS	LINES (CUMUL)	% OF TOTAL	PRESENT EQUIP.	PROP. EQUIP.	SERVICE DATE	HOST OR REMOTE	HOST OR REMOTE NAME
1	GTF	TPA	TPA	TAMPA (CENTRAL)	ALAFIA		Nov-87 A			GTD5EAX				
2	GTF	TPA	TPA	BARTOW	ALTURAS		May-89 A			AE-RSU			R	BARTOW MAIN
3	GTF	TPA	TPA	BRADENTON	ANNA MARIA		Aug-89 A			GTD5EAX				
4	GTF	TPA	TPA	WINTER HAVEN	AUBURNDALE		Jun-87 A			GTD5EAX			H	
5	GTF	TPA	TPA	LAKE WALES	BABSON PARK		Jul-89 A			AE-RSU			R	LAKE WALES MAIN
6	GTF	TPA	TPA	BARTOW	BARTOW MAIN		Apr-86 A			GTD5EAX			H	
7	GTF	TPA	TPA	ST. PETERSBURG	BAYOU		Apr-87 A			GTD5EAX				
8	GTF	TPA	TPA	TAMPA (CENTRAL)	BAYSHORE		Jun-86 A			AE-RSU			R	TAMPA MAIN
9	GTF	TPA	TPA	TAMPA (CENTRAL)	BEACH PARK		Feb-88 A			SESS				
10	GTF	TPA	TPA	BRADENTON	BRADENTON BAY		Feb-86 A			GTD5EAX				
11	GTF	TPA	TPA	BRADENTON	BRADENTON MAIN		Nov-86 A			GTD5EAX				
12	GTF	TPA	TPA	MULBERRY	BRADLEY		Jun-89 A			AE-RSU			R	BARTOW MAIN
13	GTF	TPA	TPA	TAMPA (EAST)	BRANDON		Dec-86 A			SESS				
14	GTF	TPA	TPA	TAMPA (CENTRAL)	CARROLLWOOD		Oct-86 A			GTD5EAX				
15	GTF	TPA	TPA	CLEARWATER	CLEARWATER		Oct-86 A			GTD5EAX				
16	GTF	TPA	TPA	CLEARWATER	CLEARWATER MN		Oct-86 A			SESS				
17	GTF	TPA	TPA	CLEARWATER	COUNTRYSIDE		Oct-88 A			GTD5EAX				
18	GTF	TPA	TPA	WINTER HAVEN	CYPRESS GARDENS		Mar-86 A			GTD5EAX				
19	GTF	TPA	TPA	HAINES CITY	DUNDEE		Sep-89 A			GTD5EAX				
20	GTF	TPA	TPA	CLEARWATER	DUNEDIN		Sep-86 A			GTD5EAX				
21	GTF	TPA	TPA	ENGLEWOOD	ENGLEWOOD		Dec-88 A			GTD5EAX				
22	GTF	TPA	TPA	ST. PETERSBURG	FEATHER SOUND		Sep-88 A			GTD5EAX				
23	GTF	TPA	TPA	FROSTPROOF	FROSTPROOF		Aug-89 A			GTD5EAX				
24	GTF	TPA	TPA	ST. PETERSBURG	GANDY		Feb-86 A			GTD5EAX				
25	GTF	TPA	TPA	HAINES CITY	HAINES CITY MAIN		Feb-86 A			GTD5EAX			H	
26	GTF	TPA	TPA	HAINES CITY	HAINES CITY NORTH		Jun-86 A			AE-RSU			R	HAINES CITY MAIN
27	GTF	TPA	TPA	LAKELAND	HIGHLANDS		May-86 A			GTD5EAX				
28	GTF	TPA	TPA	HUDSON	HUDSON		Feb-86 A			GTD5EAX				
29	GTF	TPA	TPA	TAMPA (CENTRAL)	HYDE PARK		Feb-86 A			DMS100				
30	GTF	TPA	TPA	INDIAN LAKE	INDIAN LAKE MAIN		Jun-89 A			AE-RSU			R	LAKE WALES MAIN
31	GTF	TPA	TPA	CLEARWATER	INDIAN ROCKS		Dec-89 A			GTD5EAX				

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SCHEDULE 20

PERIOD ENDING: SEPTEMBER 30, 1996

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CO.	LATA	EAEA	EXCHANGE	END OFFICE	ACCESS LINES	E.A. AVAIL. DATE & STATUS	LINES (CUMUL)	% OF TOTAL	PRESENT EQUIP.	PROP. EQUIP.	SERVICE DATE	HOST OR REMOTE	HOST OR REMOTE NAME	
32	GTF	TPA	TPA	TAMPA (WEST)	KEYSTONE	Dec-89	A		GTD5EAX					
33	GTF	TPA	TPA	WINTER HAVEN	LAKE ALFRED	Aug-89	A		GTD5EAX					
34	GTF	TPA	TPA	LAKE WALES	LAKE WALES EAST	Aug-89	A		AE-RSU			R	LAKE WALES MAIN	
35	GTF	TPA	TPA	LAKE WALES	LAKE WALES MAIN	Dec-88	A		GTD5EAX					
36	GTF	TPA	TPA	LAKELAND	LAKELAND EAST	Sep-86	A		5ESS					
37	GTF	TPA	TPA	LAKELAND	LAKELAND MAIN	Mar-88	A		GTD5EAX					
38	GTF	TPA	TPA	LAKELAND	LAKELAND NORTH	Jun-88	A		GTD5EAX					
39	GTF	TPA	TPA	TAMPA (NORTH)	LAND O' LAKES	Dec-86	A		5ESS					
40	GTF	TPA	TPA	CLEARWATER	LARGO	Jan-87	A		5ESS					
41	GTF	TPA	TPA	ST. PETERSBURG	LEALMAN	Dec-86	A		5ESS					
42	GTF	TPA	TPA	SARASOTA	LONGBOAT	May-89	A		GTD5EAX					
43	GTF	TPA	TPA	TAMPA (NORTH)	LUTZ	Sep-89	A		GTD5EAX					
44	GTF	TPA	TPA	HUDSON	MOON LAKE	Jan-86	A		GTD5EAX					
45	GTF	TPA	TPA	MULBERRY	MULBERRY	Dec-87	A		AE-RSU			R	BARTOW MAIN	
46	GTF	TPA	TPA	MYAKKA	MYAKKA MAIN	Apr-89	A		GTD5EAX			H	SARASOTA MAIN	
47	GTF	TPA	TPA	NEW PORT RICHEY	N PORT RICHEY	Oct-86	A		GTD5EAX					
48	GTF	TPA	TPA	ST. PETERSBURG	NORTH GULF BEACH	May-86	A		GTD5EAX					
49	GTF	TPA	TPA	NORTH PORT	NORTH PORT CH	Oct-89	A		GTD5EAX					
50	GTF	TPA	TPA	TAMPA (WEST)	OLDSMAR	Jun-88	A		GTD5EAX					
51	GTF	TPA	TPA	VENICE	OSPREY	Jul-89	A		GTD5EAX					
52	GTF	TPA	TPA	BRADENTON	PALMA SOLA	Feb-86	A		GTD5EAX					
53	GTF	TPA	TPA	PALMETTO	PALMETTO	Mar-88	A		GTD5EAX			H		
54	GTF	TPA	TPA	PALMETTO	PARRISH	Nov-89	A		AE-RSU			R	PALMETTO	
55	GTF	TPA	TPA	ST. PETERSBURG	PASADENA	Feb-86	A		GTD5EAX					
56	GTF	TPA	TPA	PLANT CITY	PINECREST	Oct-89	A		GTD5EAX					
57	GTF	TPA	TPA	CLEARWATER	PINELLAS	May-86	A		GTD5EAX					
58	GTF	TPA	TPA	PLANT CITY	PLANT CITY MAIN	Jan-87	A		DMS100					
59	GTF	TPA	TPA	POINCIANA	POINCIANA	Mar-86	A		AE-RSU			R	HAINES CITY MAIN	
60	GTF	TPA	TPA	POLK CITY	POLK CITY	Nov-87	A		AE-RSU			R	AUBURNDALE	
61	GTF	TPA	TPA	TAMPA (SOUTH)	RUSKIN	Jul-87	A		GTD5EAX					
62	GTF	TPA	TPA	SARASOTA	SARASOTA MN	Jan-86	A		GTD5EAX			H		

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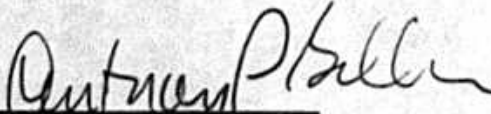
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63	GTF	TPA	TPA	SARASOTA		NORTHSIDE Jul-87 A			GTD5EAX				
64	GTF	TPA	TPA	SARASOTA		SOUTHSIDE May-86 A			GTD5EAX				
65	GTF	TPA	TPA	SARASOTA		SARASOTA SPRINGS Feb-86 A			GTD5EAX				
66	GTF	TPA	TPA	TAMPA (CENTRAL)		SEMINOLE Oct-86 A			5ESS				
67	GTF	TPA	TPA	NEW PORT RICHEY		SEVEN SPRINGS Feb-86 A			GTD5EAX				
68	GTF	TPA	TPA	SARASOTA		SIESTA KEY Aug-88 A			GTD5EAX				
69	GTF	TPA	TPA	ST. PETERSBURG		SKYWAY Jan-87 A			5ESS				
70	GTF	TPA	TPA	ST. PETERSBURG		SOUTH GULF BEACH Sep-87 A			GTD5EAX				
71	GTF	TPA	TPA	SARASOTA		ST. ARMANDS KEY Aug-88 A			AE-RSU			R	SARASOTA MAIN
72	GTF	TPA	TPA	CLEARWATER		ST. GEORGE Feb-86 A			GTD5EAX				
73	GTF	TPA	TPA	ST. PETERSBURG		ST. PETE MN Mar-86 A			GTD5EAX				
74	GTF	TPA	TPA	ST. PETERSBURG		ST. PETE SOUTH Aug-86 A			GTD5EAX				
75	GTF	TPA	TPA	TAMPA (CENTRAL)		SULPHUR SPRINGS Jan-87 A			GTD5EAX				
76	GTF	TPA	TPA	TAMPA (CENTRAL)		SWEETWATER Aug-86 A			GTD5EAX				
77	GTF	TPA	TPA	TAMPA (CENTRAL)		TAMPA EAST Mar-86 A			5ESS				
78	GTF	TPA	TPA	TAMPA (CENTRAL)		TAMPA MAIN Apr-86 A			GTD5EAX			H	
79	GTF	TPA	TPA	TAMPA (CENTRAL)		WESTSIDE Nov-86 A			GTD5EAX				
80	GTF	TPA	TPA	TARPON SPRINGS		TARPON SPRINGS Jul-87 A			GTD5EAX				
81	GTF	TPA	TPA	TAMPA (CENTRAL)		TEMPLE TERRACE Dec-86 A			5ESS				
82	GTF	TPA	TPA	TAMPA (EAST)		THONOTOSASSA Nov-86 A			5ESS				
83	GTF	TPA	TPA	TAMPA (CENTRAL)		UNIVERSITY Jan-87 A			5ESS				
84	GTF	TPA	TPA	VENICE		VENICE MAIN Mar-86 A			GTD5EAX				
85	GTF	TPA	TPA	VENICE		VENICE SOUTH Dec-86 A			5ESS				
86	GTF	TPA	TPA	TAMPA (CENTRAL)		WALLCRAFT Feb-86 A			5ESS				
87	GTF	TPA	TPA	TAMPA (NORTH)		WESLEY CHAPEL Dec-86 A			GTD5EAX				
88	GTF	TPA	TPA	TAMPA (SOUTH)		WIMAUMA Nov-88 A			GTD5EAX				
89	GTF	TPA	TPA	WINTER HAVEN		WINTER HAVEN MAIN Jan-87 A			DMS100				
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91	GTF	TPA	TPA	ZEPHYRHILLS		ZEPHYRHILLS Sep-86 A			GTD5EAX				

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a copy of GTE Florida Incorporated's Request for Confidential Classification in the foregoing matter was hand-delivered on November 7, 1996 to:

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