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Ms. Bianca S. Bayo, Director
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2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
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Re: Docket No. 980696-TP
Determination of the cost of basic local telecommunications service,
pursuant to Section 364.025, Florida Statutes

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Please find enclosed for filing in the above matter an original and fifteen copies of the Direct Testimonies of Carl R. Danner, Michael R. Norris, Steven A. Olson, Meade C. Seaman, Allen E. Sovereign, David G. Tucek, and Dr. James H. Vander Weide on behalf of GTE Florida Incorporated. Also enclosed are an original and fifteen copies of a Notice of Intent to Seek Confidential Classification.

You will note that Mr. Tucek's testimony states that he is sponsoring three exhibits. Two of these exhibits are in hard copy form: GTE's company-specific inputs for BCPM and the BCPM model run results. These exhibits have been redacted where necessary to protect GTE's confidential and proprietary information. The third exhibit mentioned in Mr. Tucek's testimony is a CD-ROM containing BCPM populated with GTE's company-specific inputs. Because it is not possible to redact confidential information on the CD-ROM, only two copies are being provided with this filing. If the Commission Staff needs additional copies, they may contact Mr. Reyne Dominguez at (813) 483-3377.

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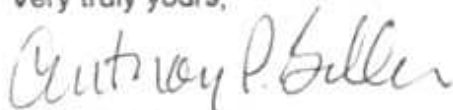
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The CD-ROM is also not being provided to any party of record in this docket who has not requested and executed a Protective Agreement with GTE. If any other party would like a copy of the CD-ROM, they may contact me at (813) 483-2617 so that we can execute a Protective Agreement.

Service has been made as indicated on the Certificate of Service. If there are any questions regarding this filing, please contact me at (813) 483-2617.

Very truly yours,



for Kimberly Caswell

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