## **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

In re: Initiation of show cause proceedings against GTE Florida Incorporated for violation of service standards Docket No.: 991376-TL Filed: October 30, 2001

## MOTION FOR CONTINUANCE

Verizon Florida Inc. (Verizon) (formerly GTE Florida Incorporated) requests a continuance of the post-hearing procedures in this case, including the filing of Briefs which are currently due to be filed no later than November 1, 2001. As grounds for this motion, Verizon states as follows:

- Verizon and the Office of Public Counsel (the only intervenor in this case) have been engaged in settlement negotiations. Based on the progress of these negotiations, Verizon represents in good faith that the parties soon will present to the Commission a joint motion proposing a comprehensive settlement of both this case and of Docket 990362-TI (Initiation of Show Cause Proceedings Against GTE Communications [n/k/a Verizon Select Services Inc.] for Apparent Violation of Rule 25-4.118, F.A.C., Local, Local Toll, or Toll Provider Selection).
- 2. Continuance of the hearing is necessary to allow preparation of the joint motion and supporting documentation.
- Undersigned counsel is authorized to state that Office of the Public Counsel joins VSSI in this motion.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a copy of the Motion for Continuance has been

served by U.S. Mail on the following this 30<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2001:

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