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Via Federal Express

Ms. Blanca Bayo, Director Commission Clerk and Administrative Services Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

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Re:

Petition of Verizon Florida Inc. (f/k/a GTE Florida Inc.) against Teleport Communications Group, Inc. and TCG South Florida, for review of a decision by The American Arbitration Association in accordance with Attachment 1 Section 11.2(a) of the Interconnection Agreement between GTE Florida Inc. and TCG South Florida

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed please find the Petition of Verizon Florida Inc. in the above-referenced matter.

Pursuant to § 364.183(1), F.S., and Rule 22.000(5), F.A.C., Verizon requests confidential treatment of the Petition and exhibits thereto in their entirety. This material contains confidential business information that has been exchanged between the parties. The parties to this proceeding consider this confidential business information to be confidential material that should be exempt from § 119.07(1) and § 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution. Moreover, in accordance with the parties' understanding and formal agreement, Verizon has not otherwise disclosed this confidential business information.

In accordance with Rule 22.006(5), F.A.C., enclosed are three copies of Verizon's unredacted petition, the confidential information has not been highlighted in yellow as Verizon believes that the entire petition is confidential. Also enclosed are an original and fifteen redacted copies for filing in the public docket as non-confidential.

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Please date-stamp an unredacted copy and return it in the enclosed self-addressed, stamped envelope. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

cc: All counsel of record