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Mr. Abby Matari Florida Telephone Co. Telephone USA (FLATEL) 2300 Palm Beach Lakes Blvd. Executive Center, Suite 210 West Palm Beach, FL 33409

Re: Docket No. 040976-TX--Application for certificate to provide competitive local exchange telecommunications service by Utility USA, Inc.

Dear Mr. Matari:

A copy of your letter dated October 29, 2004, states your objection to granting Utility USA, Inc. a competitive local exchange telecommunications certificate in the State of Florida. The purpose of this letter is to clarify your intention regarding the objection letter and to aid staff in identifying how your substantial interests will be affected by Utility USA, Inc.'s certification. If it is your intention to pursue your objection through a formal hearing, then hearing dates will be scheduled, and you will be required to provide evidence to support your protest. You may represent yourself or hire an attorney to assist you in this matter. However, if you do not wish to pursue your objection through a formal hearing, we can place your letter in a correspondence file for the Commission's consideration, and it will be treated as a comment letter.

Please inform us in writing by January 3, 2005, whether you are seeking a formal hearing or requesting that your letter be treated as a comment letter for the Commission's consideration. Additionally, please specify how your substantial interests will be affected by Utility USA, Inc.'s certification. If you have any questions, please contact me at (850) 413-6216. Your timely assistance in clarifying this matter is greatly appreciated.

Kira Scott Staff Attorney

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