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Dear Ms. Bayo:

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Enclosed for filing is Verizon Florida Inc.'s third quarter 2006 Schedule 8 as required by FPSC Rule 25-4.0185.

Verizon considers the data provided in this response to be proprietary and is filing it under a claim of confidential treatment pursuant to 364.183(1), Florida Statutes and Rule 25.22.006(5), Florida Administrative Code. In that regard, attached are two redacted copies of the responses and a sealed enveloped containing one highlighted copy of the responses — including the material which is confidential and proprietary.

Verizon considers the highlighted information confidential because it contains the number of residence and business access lines by Retail, Resale and UNEP. Competitors can use this information to gauge market share. In addition, Verizon is required by its Interconnection Agreements (ICA) as well as Section 222 of the Communications Act to protect the confidentiality of proprietary information of and relating to its wholesale customers.

Verizon understands this information will be protected from public disclosure until returned to the Company. Pursuant to 364.183(4), staff may retain this information for as long as is
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c: Beth Salak (w/redacted response)

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