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Ms. Ann Cole  
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Florida Public Service Commission  
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard  
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**Re: Docket No. 070127-TX - Petition of Neutral Tandem, Inc. For Interconnection with Level 3 Communications and Request for Expedited Resolution**

Dear Ms. Cole:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of Neutral Tandem, Inc., please find the original and 15 copies of the following:

- CMP \_\_\_\_\_
- COM \_\_\_\_\_ 1. The original and 15 copies of Neutral Tandem, Inc.'s Request for Qualified Representative Status; and **2577-07**
- CTR \_\_\_\_\_
- FOR \_\_\_\_\_
- GCL \_\_\_\_\_ 2. The original and 15 copies of Neutral Tandem's Notice of Supplemental Authority. **2578-07**
- OPC \_\_\_\_\_ Please acknowledge receipt of this filing by stamping and returning the extra copy of this letter to me. Your assistance in this matter is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions whatsoever, please do not hesitate to contact me.
- RCA \_\_\_\_\_
- SCR \_\_\_\_\_
- SGA \_\_\_\_\_
- SEC \_\_\_\_\_
- OTH \_\_\_\_\_

Sincerely,

*Beth Keating*

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BEFORE THE  
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**NEUTRAL TANDEM, INC.'S REQUEST FOR  
QUALIFIED REPRESENTATIVE STATUS**

Pursuant to Rule 28-106.106, Florida Administrative Code, petitioner Neutral Tandem, Inc. ("Neutral Tandem") respectfully requests that the Prehearing Officer enter an Order approving John R. Harrington, a partner with the law firm of Jenner & Block LLP, as a qualified representative authorized to appear on behalf of Neutral Tandem in the above-styled Docket before the Florida Public Service Commission. In accordance with the referenced Rule, Neutral Tandem affirms that it is aware of its right to be represented by counsel that is a member of the Florida Bar, and that it is fully cognizant of the services that Mr. Harrington can provide. Neutral Tandem has retained local counsel to appear as co-counsel with Mr. Harrington in this proceeding.

Attached hereto is the sworn Affidavit of John Harrington setting forth Mr. Harrington's qualifications as required by Rule 28-106.106, Florida Administrative Code. Mr. Harrington's address is:

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For all the foregoing reasons, Neutral Tandem respectfully requests that its Request for

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Qualified Representative Status be granted.

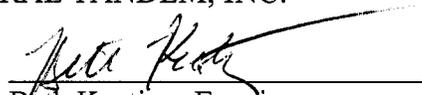
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Respectfully submitted,

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*Attorneys for Neutral Tandem, Inc.*

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been served via Hand Delivery to Martin McDonnell, Esquire, and Kenneth Hoffman, Esquire, Rutledge, Ecenia, Purnell, and Hoffman, P.A., 215 South Monroe Street, Suite 420, Tallahassee, FL 32301, and that a copy has also been provided via Electronic Mail to the persons listed below this 23th day of March, 2007:

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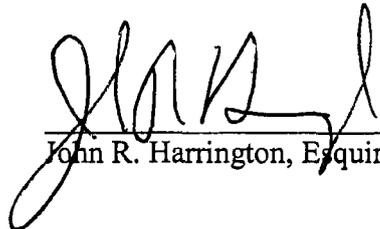
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AFFIDAVIT OF JOHN R. HARRINGTON

**STATE OF ILLINOIS  
COUNTY OF COOK**

I, John R. Harrington, being first duly sworn, do hereby affirm and attest as follows:

1. I am an attorney and partner with the national law firm of Jenner & Block, LLP, and have been retained as counsel for Neutral Tandem, Inc. in this matter.
2. I am a member of good standing of the Bar of the State of Illinois, and am seeking qualified representative status to appear on behalf of Neutral Tandem, Inc. before the Florida Public Service Commission.
3. I have extensive commercial and telecommunications-specific litigation experience and have appeared in matters before numerous federal and state courts, as well as state utility regulatory bodies.
4. I am familiar with Florida Statutes and the Florida Administrative Code, as well as Florida practice rules.
5. The foregoing are true and correct to the fullest extent of my knowledge and belief.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
John R. Harrington, Esquire

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally appeared John R. Harrington, who is personally known by me or who has produced \_\_\_\_\_ as identification and did execute the foregoing.

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me this 23<sup>RD</sup> day of March, 2007.

*Diane Henri*

Notary Public



Typed, Printed, or Stamped Name

My Commission Expires: May 17, 2010