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## May 2, 2008 - VIA OVERNIGHT MAIL

Vice President-General Counsel, Southeast Region

Ann Cole, Commission Clerk Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Re: Docket No. 070691-TP

Complaint and request for emergency relief against Verizon Florida LLC for anticompetitive behavior in violation of Sections 364.01(4), 364.3381, and 364.10, F.S., and for failure to facilitate transfer of customers' numbers to Bright House Networks Information Services (Florida), LLC and its affiliate, Bright House Networks, LLC

Docket No. 080036-TP

Complaint and request for emergency relief against Verizon Florida LLC for anticompetitive behavior in violation of Sections 364.01(4), 364.3381, and 364.10, F.S., and for failure to facilitate transfer of customers' numbers to Comcast Phone of Florida, LLC d/b/a Comcast Digital Phone

Dear Ms. Cole:

Dulaney L. O'Roark III

Legal Department

Enclosed for filing in the above matters are an original and 15 copies of Verizon Florida LLC's Request for Confidential Classification and Motion for Protective Order in connection with Verizon's responses to Staff's First Set of Interrogatories (Nos. 1-21). Service has been made as indicated on the Certificate of Service. If there are any questions regarding this filing, please contact me at 678-259-1449.

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OTH I Conf records This confidentiality request was filed by or for a "telco" for DNO3667 No ruling is required unless the material is subject to a request per 119.07, FS, or is admitted in the record per Rule 25-22.006(8)(b), FAC.

# BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Complaint and request for emergency relief against Verizon Florida LLC for anticompetitive behavior in violation of Sections 364.01(4), 364.3381, ) and 364.10, F.S., and for failure to facilitate transfer of customers' numbers to Bright House Networks Information Services (Florida), LLC and its affiliate, Bright House Networks, LLC

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#### VERIZON FLORIDA INC.'S REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION AND MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER

Under Commission Rule 25-22.006, F.A.C., Verizon Florida Inc. (Verizon) seeks

confidential classification and a protective order for information contained in its

responses to Staff's First Set of Interrogatories in this proceeding.

All of the information for which Verizon seeks confidential treatment falls within

Florida Statutes section 364.183(3), which defines "proprietary confidential business

information" as:

Information, regardless of form or characteristics, which is owned or controlled by the person or company, is intended to be and is treated by the person or company as private in that the disclosure of the information would cause harm to the ratepayers or the person's or company's business operations, and has not been disclosed unless disclosed pursuant to a statutory provision, an order of a court or administrative body, or private agreement that provides that the information will not be released to the public.

Florida Statutes section 364.183(3)(a) expressly provide that "trade secrets" fall within the definition of "proprietary confidential business information." Florida Statutes section 364.183(3)(e) further provides that "proprietary confidential business information"

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includes "information relating to competitive interests, the disclosure of which would impair the competitive business of the provider of information."

If competitors were able to acquire this detailed and sensitive information regarding Verizon, they could more easily develop entry and marketing strategies to ensure success in competing with Verizon. This would afford them an unfair advantage while severely jeopardizing Verizon's competitive position. In a competitive business, any knowledge obtained about a competitor can be used to the detriment of the entity to which it pertains, often in ways that cannot be fully anticipated. This unfair advantage skews the operation of the market, to the ultimate detriment of the telecommunications consumer. Accordingly, Verizon respectfully requests that the Commission classify the identified information as confidential and enter an appropriate protective order.

While a ruling on this request is pending, Verizon understands that the information at issue is exempt from Florida Statutes section 119.07(1) and Staff will accord it the stringent protection from disclosure required by Rule 25-22.006(3)(d).

One copy of the confidential information is attached to the original of this Request as Exhibit A. Two redacted copies of the confidential information are attached as Exhibit B. A detailed justification of the confidentiality of the information at issue is attached as Exhibit C.

Respectfully submitted on May 5, 2008.

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VZ 1 – in response to	All highlighted text	This is competitively sensitive,
Interrogatory No. 12		confidential and proprietary
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Response to Interrogatory No. 18	All highlighted text	been confidentially maintained by
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		information could give competitors an unfair advantage in developing
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#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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1 HEREBY CERTIFY that copies of the foregoing were sent via electronic mail and U. S. mail on May 2, 2008 to:

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**DATE:** May 5, 2008

TO: Dulaney L. O'roark lii, Verizon

FROM: **Ruth Nettles, Office of Commission Clerk** 

RE: Acknowledgement of Receipt of Confidential Filing

This will acknowledge receipt of a CONFIDENTIAL DOCUMENT filed in Docket Number 080000 or, if filed in an undocketed matter, concerning responses to staff's 1<sup>st</sup> set of Interrogatories Nos. 1-21, and filed on behalf of Verizon. The document will be maintained in locked storage.

If you have any questions regarding this document, please contact Marguerite Lockard, DOCUMENT NUMBER-DATE 80 Deputy Clerk, at (850) 413-6770. ഹ

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