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October 6, 2008 - VIA OVERNIGHT DELIVERY

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

Re: Docket No. 080159-TP

Joint petition to initiate rulemaking, adopt new rule in Chapter 25-24, F.A.C., amend and repeal rules in Chapter 25-4, F.A.C., and amend rules in Chapter 25-9, F.A.C., by Verizon Florida LLC, BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., d/b/a AT&T Florida, Embarq Florida, Inc., Quincy Telephone Company d/b/a TDS Telecom, and Windstream Florida, Inc.

Dear Ms. Cole:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced matter are an original and seven copies of Verizon Florida LLC's Post-Workshop Comments. Also enclosed are an original and seven copies of a Request for Confidential Classification and Motion for Protective Order. 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.

Sincerely,

Dulane L. O'Roark III

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Enclosures

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Joint petition to initiate rulemaking)	Docket No. 080159-TP
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F.A.C., by Verizon Florida LLC, BellSouth)	
Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a AT&T)	
Florida, Embarq Florida, Inc., Quincy)	
Telephone Company d/b/a TDS Telecom,)	
and Windstream Florida, Inc.)	
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VERIZON FLORIDA LLC'S REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION AND MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER

Under Commission Rule 25-22.006, F.A.C., Verizon Florida LLC (Verizon) seeks confidential classification and a protective order for information contained in its Post-Workshop Comments 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" includes "information relating to competitive interests, the disclosure of which would impair the competitive business of the provider of information."

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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. 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 October 7, 2008.

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EXHIBIT C

CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION	LINE(S)/COLUMN(S)	REASON
CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION Page 4 of Post-Workshop Comments	All highlighted text	REASON This is competitively sensitive, confidential and proprietary business information that has been confidentially maintained by Verizon. Disclosure of this information could give competitors an unfair advantage in developing their own competitive strategies by revealing Verizon's pricing and negotiating strategies.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that copies of the foregoing were sent via U. S. mail on October 7, 2008 to the parties on the attached list.

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DATE: October 2, 2008

TO: Dulaney L. O'roark I I I, Verizon Florida LIc

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 080159 or, if filed in an undocketed matter, concerning information contained in Post Workshop Comments, and filed on behalf of Verizon Florida Llc. The document will be maintained in locked storage.

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

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