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Re: Docket No. 950737-TP
Investigation into Temporary Local Number Portability Solution to
Implement Competition in Local Exchange Telephone Markets

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Please find enclosed for filing an original and fifteen copies of GTE Florida Incorporated's Prehearing Statement in the above matter. Also enclosed is a diskette with a copy of the Prehearing Statement in WordPerfect 5.1 format.

Service has been made as indicated on the Certificate of Service. If there are any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at (813) 228-3094.

Very truly yours,


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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Investigation into Temporary Local)
Number Portability Solution to Implement) Docket No. 950737-TP
Competition in Local Exchange Telephone) Filed: September 29, 1995
Markets)
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GTE FLORIDA INCORPORATED'S PREHEARING STATEMENT

GTE Florida Incorporated (GTEFL) files this prehearing statement in accordance with Florida Administrative Code Rule 25-22.038(3) and the Commission's instructions in Order Number PSC-95-0896-PCO-TP, issued on July 25, 1995 in this docket.

(A) Witnesses

GTEFL's witness in this case will be Beverly Y. Menard. Ms. Menard will testify to all issues raised in this proceeding.

(B) Known Exhibits

At this time, GTEFL does not plan to use any exhibits in this proceeding. The Company, however, reserves the right to introduce exhibits at the hearing.

(C) GTEFL's Basic Position

Consistent with the stipulation approved in this docket (see subsection (G) below), remote call forwarding (RCF) is the interim number portability solution that should be offered to certified alternative local exchange companies (ALECs) effective January 1, 1996, in accordance with Chapter 364.16(4), Florida Statutes. GTEFL's negotiations with

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the ALECs concerning the appropriate pricing of RCF are continuing. GTEFL has proposed charging \$1.25 per month per line ported, with no usage charges, and an additional \$1.10 per month for each additional path in the switch. GTEFL believes these rates are reasonable and are, in fact, much lower than its currently tariffed RCF rates of \$16.00 for each number plus usage. The rates charged to ALECs for RCF should cover direct costs and make some contribution to shared costs.

(D) Questions of Fact at Issue

The parties' stipulation in this docket has resolved most of the potential questions of fact, although there may still be some dispute about Issue 4 concerning remote call forwarding costs. Issue 4 asks what costs are associated with providing RCF. Details of GTE's costs underlying the RCF service will be confidentially provided as appropriate.

(E) Questions of Law at Issue

Given the parties' stipulation, GTEFL does not believe any legal issues remain to be resolved.

(F) Questions of Policy at Issue

Given the existence of the stipulation, GTEFL believes the only remaining policy issue is number 5, concerning the appropriate recovery of costs for RCF. These costs should be recovered from the ALECs, the cost causers. As noted above, GTEFL proposes to charge \$1.25 per month per line ported with no usage charges. For multi-line hunt

groups, GTEFL would charge an additional \$1.10 per month for each additional path in the switch. GTEFL plans to apply a nonrecurring service charge of \$11.00 and \$14.00 for each RCF residential and business order, respectively.

In addition, to the extent that Issue 8 (which asks whether this docket should be closed) is a policy issue, GTEFL responds that the docket should be closed after the Commission adopts GTEFL's position on all the issues remaining for resolution.

(G) Stipulated Issues

The stipulation executed by the parties and approved by the Commission at its September 12, 1995 agenda conference has resolved Issues 1, 2, 6, and 7. In addition, GTEFL believes the stipulation has rendered Issue 3 moot. Because the stipulation identifies RCF as the interim portability solution, it is not necessary for the Commission to make any rulings or findings on the relative merits of this solution. If, however, the Commission Staff believes (or the Commission rules) that any of the issues GTEFL believes have been resolved or mooted by the stipulation are, in fact, still open, GTEFL reserves the right to submit testimony and take a position on those issues in later stages of this proceeding.

(H) Pending Matters

GTEFL has no motions or other matters pending in this case.

(I) Compliance with Requirements

To GTEFL's knowledge at this time, there are no requirements set forth in the Commission's July 25 procedural order with which GTEFL cannot comply.

Respectfully submitted on September 29, 1995.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that copies of GTE Florida Incorporated's Prehearing Statement in Docket No. 950737-TP were hand-delivered or sent via overnight mail on September 29, 1995 to the parties on the attached list.



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