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## VIA HAND DELIVERY

Ms. Blanca S. Bayo, Director Division of Records and Reporting Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Re:

In re: Application for Certificate to provide alternative local exchange telecommunications service by OnePoint Communications-Georgia, LLC d/b/a OnePoint Communications, Docket No. 971024

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced docket are the original and 15 copies of OnePoint Communications-Georgia, LLC's ("OnePoint"s): (1) Request for Confidential Classification of Composite Exhibit "C" to OnePoint's Application for Authority to Provide Alternative Local Exchange Telecommunications Service Within the State of Florida ("Application"); and, (2) Request for Confidential Classification of Composite Exhibit "F" to the Application.

For our records, please acknowledge your receipt of this filing on the enclosed copy of this letter.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

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cc: Mr. Randy Long

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## BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

| In re: Application for certificate     | ) |                        |
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| to provide alternative local exchange  | ) | Docket No. 971024-TI   |
| telecommunications service by OnePoint | ) |                        |
| Communications-Georgia, LLC d/b/a      | ) | Filed: August 29, 1997 |
| OnePoint Communications                | ) |                        |
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## REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION

OnePoint Communications-Georgia, LLC d/b/a OnePoint Communications ("OnePoint"), by and through undersigned counsel, pursuant to Section 364.183, Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code, requests that the Florida Public Service Commission (the "Commission") classify as confidential Composite Exhibit "C" to OnePoint's application for authority to provide alternative local exchange service within the state of Florida (the "ALEC Application"). In support of its request, OnePoint states:

- OnePoint is a start-up company which intends to resell local exchange telecommunications service within the state of Florida. OnePoint filed its ALEC Application with the Commission on August 8, 1997. On that same date, OnePoint filed, under seal, Composite Exhibit "C" to its ALEC Application along with a Notice of Intent to Request Confidential Classification of Composite Exhibit "C."
- 2. Section 364.337, Florida Statutes, states that: "The [C]ommission shall grant a certificate of authority to provide alternative local exchange service upon a showing that the applicant has sufficient technical, financial, and managerial capability to provide such service in the geographic area proposed to be served. . . ." § 364.337(1), Fla. Stat. (1995) (emphasis added). Thus, OnePoint is required to show that it has the

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financial capability to provide alternative local exchange service in Florida before the Commission can grant it a certificate of authority to provide such service.

- OnePoint is qualified financially to provide high quality alternative local exchange service in Florida. However, because OnePoint is a start-up company, OnePoint's available historical financial information is limited.
- 4. Composite Exhibit "C" to OnePoint's ALEC Application contains OnePoint's currently available financial information. Composite Exhibit "C" includes unaudited proforma documents consisting of OnePoint's Income Statement, Balance Sheet and Statement of Cash Flows. These documents reflect OnePoint's business plan as of July, 1997.
- 5. Composite Exhibit "C" to OnePoint's ALEC Application was filed on August 8, 1997 under seal and under cover of a Notice of Intent to Request Confidential Classification pursuant to Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code. This request is being filed within 21 days of the date that Composite Exhibit "C" and OnePoint's Notice of Intent to Request Confidential Classification of Composite Exhibit "C" were initially filed with the Commission. Through this request, OnePoint seeks to maintain the continued confidential handling of Composite Exhibit "C."
- 6. Composite Exhibit "C" is intended to be, and has been treated by OnePoint, as private and has not been disclosed unless disclosed pursuant to a statutory provision, order of a court or administrative body, or private agreement that provides that the information in Composite Exhibit "C" will not be released to the public.

7. Composite Exhibit "C" is entitled to confidential classification pursuant to Section 364.183(1), Florida Statutes, and is exempt from Section 119.07(1), Florida Statutes, and Article I, Section 24(a) of the Florida Constitution. Section 364.183(3) 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.

- § 364.183(1), Fla. Stat. (Supp. 1996). Section 364.183(3) further provides that "proprietary confidential business information" includes "[i]nformation relating to competitive interests, the disclosure of which would impair the competitive business of the provider of information." § 364.183(3)(e), Fla. Stat. (Supp. 1996).
- 8. Composite Exhibit "C" constitutes "proprietary confidential business information" within the meaning of that term as described in Section 364.183(3). Composite Exhibit "C" describes OnePoint's projected revenues, expenses, assets, liabilities, and shareholders' equity. Composite Exhibit "C" also describes OnePoint's estimated cash flows from operating activities, investing activities and financing activities over a period of four years. All of this information is part of OnePoint's overall business plan. Public disclosure of OnePoint's business plan would allow competitors to have access to information about the financial resources and stability of

OnePoint and OnePoint's plans for future growth and development. Accordingly, public disclosure of Composite Exhibit "C" would reparably harm OnePoint.

- 9. Attached hereto in a sealed envelope is a copy of Composite Exhibit "C" for which confidential classification is requested. Also attached hereto are edited copies of Composite Exhibit "C" on which the confidential material has been redacted. All of the information contained in Composite Exhibit "C" is confidential. Thus, it is not possible to edit out confidential portions of the exhibit. Additionally, because Composite Exhibit "C" is confidential in its entirety for the reasons described above, there is no basis for articulating a line-by-line justification for the confidential treatment of the information. OnePoint, however, has summarized the confidential information contained in Composite Exhibit "C" in this Request for Confidential Classification.
- 10. Because Composite Exhibit "C" contains information relating to OnePoint's business plan through the year 2000, the information in Composite Exhibit "C" will continue to be "proprietary confidential business information" until at least January 1, 2001.

The Commission has routinely recognized that business plans are proprietary confidential business information. See In Re: The Southern Company and Southern Electric International, Inc., Certificate of Notification File No. 70-7932 and 70-8421, 97 F.P.S.C. 4:644, Docket No. 960835-EI, Order No. PSC-97-0500-CFO-EI (April 30, 1997); In Re: Request for approval of tariff filing to introduce N11 service by BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS. INC. d/b/a SOUTHERN BELL TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY, 93 F.P.S.C. 10:248, Docket No. 920962-TL, Order No. PSC-93-1520-CFO-TL (Oct. 15, 1993); In re: 1991 Depreciation Study for UNITED TELEPHONE COMPANY OF FLORIDA, 92 F.P.S.C. 7:139, Docket No. 910725-TL, Order No. PSC-92-0619-CFO-TL (July 7, 1992).

11. OnePoint has good cause and justification for its request, and continued confidentiality of Composite Exhibit "C" will not prejudice the Commission, or any other persons or entities that may become parties to this docket. Moreover, OnePoint will make Composite Exhibit "C" available upon execution of an appropriate protective agreement.

WHEREFORE, OnePoint respectfully requests that the Commission determine that Composite Exhibit "C" is confidential and exempt from the Public Records Act, Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, and Article I, Section 24(a) of the Florida Constitution.

Respectfully submitted,

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT a true and correct copy of the foregoing was furnished by hand delivery to Kimberley Pena, Division of Legal Services, Florida Public Service Commission, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850 and by U.S. Mail to Jack Shreve, Office of Public Counsel, 111 W. Madison Street, Suite 812, Tallahassee, Florida 32399 this 29th day of August, 1997.

Karen D. Walker

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UNAUDITED

ONEPOINT COMMUNICATIONS - GEORGIA, LLC INCOME STATEMENT BUSINESS PLAN as of July, 1997

Proprietary Confidential

Composite Exhibit C UNAUDITED