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

Re: 1998 Competition Report, ALEC Data Request 980000-TV

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Please find enclosed for filing GTE Communications Corporation's Request for Confidential Classification in connection with its response to Staff's 1998 Competition Report, ALEC Data Request, July 1998.

If you have any questions, please contact the undersigned at 813-483-2617

Very truly yours,

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*Anthony P. Gillman*

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GTE Communications Corporations' Response

1. Are you currently providing basic local service in Florida?

Response: GTE Communications Corporation is currently providing local service in Florida.

2. If you are not currently providing service in Florida:

- a) Please explain why you are not yet providing basic local service. For example, are you experiencing marketing or billing difficulties? Lack of capital? Customers are not willing to try something new? Lack of expertise in telecommunications? Difficulties dealing with the incumbent telecommunications company? In sufficient profit margin? Etc.
- b) Please explain under what conditions you believe your company would consider providing basic local service?
- c) Do you anticipate providing basic local service at some future date? If so, please indicate the date or time-frame (e.g. fall of 1998, first quarter 1999).
- d) Please identify the three most important factors that are inhibiting your ability to provide basic local service, and describe how these factors have adversely affected your entry.
- e) Are you currently providing any other telecommunications services? If so, please list the telecommunications services you provide.

3. If you are currently providing basic local service in Florida:

- a) Is service being offered to residential, business customers or both?

Response: Yes, service is being offered to both residential and business customers.

- b) Please describe the method(s) you are using to provide basic local service, e.g., resale, interconnection, unbundled network elements.

Response: GTECC is using resale to provide basic local service.

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- c) For each exchange where you are providing basic local service, please identify by exchange ( an exchange list and map are attached), the number of **business** access lines served. (See example below)
- d) For each exchange where you are providing basic local service, please identify, by exchange (an exchange list and map are attached), the number of **residential** access lines served. (See example below)

## EXAMPLES

Miami Exchange: Business Access Lines - 25 Residential Access Lines - 0  
Tampa Exchange: Business Access lines - 60 Residential Access Lines - 2

(c) & (d)

Response: Please refer to Attachment A for a list of exchanges where GTECC is offering residential and business local exchange service.

- 4) a) Do you provide basic local service in any other states? If so, please identify in which states and in which area you provide basic local service. (e.g., in Illinois but only in the Chicago area)

Response: Yes, GTECC provides basic local service in several other states.

California, in Pacific Bell and GTE California territory  
Texas - in Southwestern Bell territory  
Washington - in US West and GTE Northwest territory  
Tennessee - in BellSouth territory  
Kentucky - in BellSouth and GTE South territory  
Illinois- in Ameritech and GTE North territory  
Indiana - in Ameritech and GTE North territory

- b) If you provide basic local service in other states, for each state please indicate whether you provide service to residential customers, business customers, or both?

Response: California - residence and business customers  
Texas - residence and business customers

Washington - residence and business customers  
Tennessee - residence and business customers  
Kentucky - business customers  
Illinois - business customers  
Indiana - residence and business customers

- c) For each state in which you are providing basic local service, please describe the method(s) you use to provide service -- e.g., own facilities with only interconnection, resale of incumbents services, unbundled network elements, etc.

Response: GTECC provides basic local service in all of the states listed above using resale.

- d) For each state and geographic area in which you are providing basic local service, please indicate when you began to provide service.

Response: California - September 1997  
Florida - November 1997  
Texas - January 1998  
Washington - March 1998  
Tennessee - March 1998  
Kentucky - April 1998  
Indiana - April 1998  
Illinois - April 1998

- e) For each state and geographic area in which you are providing basic local service, please describe the prevailing conditions which hastened your entry into that market, as opposed to the Florida market.

Response: GTECC entered the California market prior to entering Florida due to the potentially larger market opportunity.

5. a) Please describe any actions available to the Florida Public Service Commission which you believe should be taken to foster local exchange competitive market entry.

Response: The Florida PSC has supported competitive market entry by minimizing the rules applicable to ALECs. The PSC should hold the course and allow competition to continue to develop.

- b) Please describe any actions which you believe should be taken by the Florida legislature that would foster local exchange competitive market entry.

Response: None. The Florida competitive environment is quite favorable for the development of competition.

6. Please provide any additional comments or information you believe will assist staff in evaluating and reporting on the development of local exchange competition in Florida. In particular, we are seeking comments on any obstacles that you believe may be impeding the growth of local competition in the state and any suggestions you may have on how to remove such obstacles.

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ATTACHMENT A PAGES 5-9

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a copy of the foregoing was sent via overnight delivery on  
August 12, 1998 to:

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