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

Re: Docket No. 980696-TP
Determination of the cost of basic local telecommunications service,
pursuant to Section 364.025, Florida Statutes

Dear Ms. Bayo:

This is to inform you of an additional objection GTE Florida Incorporated (GTEFL) will make when it responds to Staff's Second Set of Interrogatories. This objection came to light as GTEFL was preparing its responses to the Interrogatories. Specifically, GTEFL objects to item number 29 as it is vague, ambiguous, overly broad and unduly burdensome. For example, it is unclear whether Staff is seeking (a) GTEFL's recommended input values to HAI Model 5.0a, (b) GTEFL's recommended inputs (not input values) for use in HAI 5.0a, (c) BCPM inputs or input values that do not match HAI 5.0a's inputs or input values, or (d) HAI 5.0a inputs or input values that do not match BCPM's inputs or input values.

Moreover, to the extent Staff is seeking a comparison between each of BCPM's inputs and the nearly one thousand user adjustable inputs contained in the HAI Model, the response to such a request would require extensive and unduly burdensome efforts on the part of GTEFL. Due to the hidden workings of the HAI Model, the flaws in HAI's

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engineering and modeling assumptions, and the lack of clear documentation accompanying HAI 5.0a's submission, it is simply not possible to decipher precisely what each HAI 5.0a input is designed to capture, and how each input value is treated within the inner workings of HAI 5.0a.

Please contact me if you have any questions about this objection.

Sincerely,



Kimberly Caswell

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