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Re: Docket No. 980696-TP

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed is an original and fifteen copies of GTC, Inc.'s Prehearing Statement, which we ask that you file in the captioned matter.

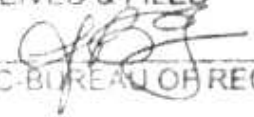
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Sincerely,



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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

in re: Determination of the Cost of Basic)
Local Telecommunications Services,)
Pursuant to Section 364.025 Florida Statutes)

Docket No. 980696-TP

Filed: September 10, 1998

PREHEARING STATEMENT
OF GTC, INC.

GTC, Inc. (GTC), through its attorney, files this Prehearing Statement, pursuant to the provisions of Rule 25-22.038, F.A.C., and Order No. PSC-98-1008-PCO-TP, as follows:

- a) GTC will call one witness: R. Mark Ellmer.
- b) GTC will file three exhibits: an embedded cost study for each division of the company.
- c) The basic position of GTC is that the determination of the cost of basic local telecommunications service appropriate for establishing a permanent universal service mechanism should be through the use of an embedded cost study for GTC and other Florida LECs that serve fewer than 100,000 access lines.
- d - g) - GTC has no position on any of the issues set forth in Order No. PSC-98-1008-PCO-TP, except issues 6(a) and 6(c). The Commission should not use a cost proxy model to compute the cost of basic local telecommunications service for LECs that serve fewer than 100,000 access lines. Instead, the Commission should use an embedded cost study approach to determine the cost of basic local telecommunications service for GTC. Using such an approach, the resulting monthly cost per access line for each division of GTC is as follows:
St. Joe - \$44.16; Perry - 38.07; Florida (Florida only) - \$49.81.

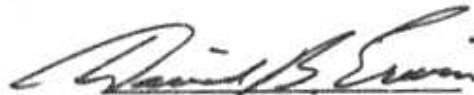
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- h) GTC has not stipulated to any issues.
- i) GTC has no pending motions upon which action is sought.
- j) GTC knows of no requirement of the Prehearing Officer that cannot be complied with.

Respectfully Submitted,



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of GTC, Inc.'s Prehearing Statement were sent by U. S. Mail on September 10, 1998 to the parties on the attached list.



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