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Re: **CONFIDENTIAL MATERIALS** *undocketed*
Response to Year 2000 Local Competition Report Data Request

Dear Ms. Bayó:

Enclosed in response to a data request dated August 18, 2000 from the Division of Communications are copies of Rhythms' response to Items 3(d) and 3(g).

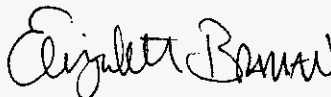
The information in these items is proprietary confidential business information of Rhythms Links Inc. within the meaning of Section 364.183(1), Florida Statutes. This data reveals the number of unbundled local loops obtained from the incumbent LEC and the number of business access line used to provide service to internet service providers. The public disclosure of this information would impair the competitive business interests of Rhythms.

One copy which highlights the information for which Rhythms claims confidentiality is enclosed in a separate sealed envelope. Two redacted copies are also enclosed.

Rhythms requests that this information be returned to it once the staff has completed its analysis.

If you have any questions, please call.

Very truly yours,



Elizabeth Braman
Blumenfeld & Cohen
Counsel for Rhythms Links Inc.

cc: Kevin Bloom (w/o encl.)

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