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Re: Docket No. 000075-TP

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed herewith for filing in the above-referenced docket on behalf of Level 3 Communications, LLC ("Level 3") are the original and fifteen copies of Level 3 Communications, LLC's Petition to Intervene.

Please acknowledge receipt of these documents by stamping the extra copy of this letter "filed" and returning the copy to me.

Thank you for your assistance with this filing.

Sincerely,



Kenneth A. Hoffman

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Investigation into appropriate)
methods to compensate carriers for)
exchange of traffic subject to Section 251)
of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.)
_____)

Docket No. 000075-TP

Filed: September 12, 2000

**PETITION OF LEVEL 3
COMMUNICATIONS, LLC TO INTERVENE**

Level 3 Communications, LLC ("Level 3"), by and through its undersigned counsel, and pursuant to Rule 25-22.039, Florida Administrative Code, respectfully petitions the Florida Public Service Commission ("Commission") to grant this Petition to Intervene and permit Level 3 to participate in this proceeding as a party of record, affording it all applicable rights under Florida law and the rules of the Commission. In support of this Petition to Intervene, Level 3 states as follows:

1. Petitioner Level 3's full name and its business address are as follows:

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2. All pleadings, notices, staff memoranda, orders and other documents and communications filed or served in this proceeding should be served on the following on behalf of Level 3:

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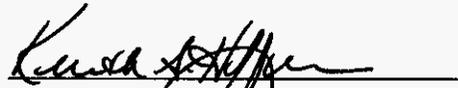
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3. Level 3 is a Delaware limited liability company and is authorized by the Commission to provide local exchange service in Florida as an alternative local exchange telecommunications company ("ALEC") pursuant to Certificate No. 5725. As such, Level 3 is subject to the statutes, rules and orders of the Commission and such statutes, rules and orders impact both Level 3's ability to provide telecommunications services in Florida and Level 3's ability to compete in Florida.

4. This proceeding will focus on a host of legal, factual and policy issues concerning the delivery of Internet Service Provider-bound traffic, including whether the delivery of such traffic is subject to compensation under Section 251 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and the appropriate intercarrier compensation mechanism for the delivery of such traffic. As an ALEC, Level 3 exchanges traffic with incumbent local exchange companies and other ALECs in order to provide local exchange service. Thus, the Commission's decisions in this proceeding, which are anticipated to have general applicability, affect Level 3's substantial interests, entitling Level 3 to participate with party status as a matter of law.

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons, Level 3 Communications, LLC respectfully requests that it be granted intervention as a full party in this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,



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I HEREBY CERTIFY that a copy of the foregoing Petition of Level 3 Communications, LLC to Intervene was furnished by U. S. Mail to the following this 12th day of September, 2000:

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