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Re: <u>In Re: Request for Confidential Classification by SBC National, Inc., d/b/a SBC Telecom, Inc.</u>

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing are the original and fifteen (15) copies of SBC National, Inc. d/b/a SBC Telecom, Inc.'s ("SBC Telecom"'s) Request for Confidential Classification of certain portions of SBC Telecom's Interexchange Company Regulatory Assessment Fee Return and Alternative Local Exchange Company Regulatory Assessment Fee Return (collectively "Returns") and checks for payment of the regulatory assessment fees for the year 2000. Also enclosed are the following: (1) a separate, sealed envelope containing one copy of SBC Telecom's Returns and the original checks on which the information for which SBC Telecom is requesting confidential classification is highlighted, and (2) two copies of SBC Telecom's Returns and payment checks with the information for which SBC Telecom is requesting confidential classification redacted.

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For our records, please acknowledge your receipt of this filing on the enclosed copy of this letter. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures

cc: Jack Shreve, Public Counsel

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Classification by SBC National,) Inc., d/b/a SBC Telecom, Inc.)	In Re: Request for Confidential Classification by SBC National, Inc., d/b/a SBC Telecom, Inc.))	Filed: March, 2001
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REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION

SBC National, Inc. d/b/a SBC Telecom, Inc. ("SBC Telecom"), by and through undersigned counsel, pursuant to Section 364.183, Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code, requests that the Florida Public Service Commission (the "Commission") classify as confidential certain specified proprietary confidential business information contained in SBC Telecom's Interexchange Company Regulatory Assessment Fee ("RAF") Return and Alternative Local Exchange Company RAF Return (collectively "Returns") and RAF payment checks for the year 2000. In support of its request, SBC Telecom states:

- 1. Pursuant to Rule 25-4.0161, Florida Administrative Code, all interexchange companies and alternative local exchange companies doing business in the state of Florida are required to file an annual RAF Return with the Commission.
- 2. SBC Telecom's Returns include certain proprietary confidential business information as that term is defined in Section 364.183(3), Florida Statutes. Through this request, SBC Telecom seeks to maintain the continued confidential handling of the specified proprietary confidential business information contained in SBC Telecom's Returns for the year 2000.

This request for confidentiality was filed by or on behalf of a telecommunications company for undocketed Confidential Document No. 03927-01. No ruling is required unless the material is subject to a request per 119.07, FS. Your division director must obtain written permission from the EXD/Tech for you to access the confidential material.

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- 3. The specified proprietary confidential business information in SBC Telecom's Returns for the year 2000 is intended to be, and has been treated by SBC Telecom, as private and has not been disclosed unless disclosed pursuant to a statutory provision, order of a court or administrative body, or private agreement that provides that the information in SBC Telecom's Returns will not be released to the public.
- 4. The specified proprietary confidential business information contained in SBC Telecom's Returns is entitled to confidential classification pursuant to Section 364.183(1), Florida Statutes, and is exempt from Section 119.07(1), Florida Statutes, and Article I, Section 24(a) of the Florida Constitution. Section 364.183(3) defines "proprietary confidential business information" as:

information, regardless of form or characteristics, which is owned or controlled by the person or company, is intended to be and is treated by the person or company as private in that the disclosure of the information would cause harm to the ratepayers or the person's or company's business operations, and has not been disclosed unless disclosed pursuant to a statutory provision, an order of a court or administrative body, or private agreement that provides that the information will not be released to the public.

§ 364.183(1), Fla. Stat. (2000). Section 364.183(3) further provides that "proprietary confidential business information" includes "[i]nformation relating to competitive interests, the disclosure of which would impair the competitive business of the provider of information." § 364.183(3)(e), Fla. Stat. (2000).

5. SBC Telecom's Returns contain "proprietary confidential business information" within the meaning of that term as described in Section 364.183(3). The information for which confidential classification is requested relates to SBC

Telecom's Florida gross operating revenues and intrastate revenues in several competitive markets. If disclosed, information relating to revenues in a particular market could cause harm to SBC Telecom's business operations by allowing competitors to learn in which markets SBC Telecom is focusing its operations and the extent of those operations.

- 6. The originals and copies of SBC Telecom's Returns and the RAF payment checks with the information for which SBC Telecom is requesting confidential classification highlighted are attached to this Request for Confidential Classification in a sealed envelope. Also attached are two edited copies of SBC Telecom's Returns and RAF payment checks with the information for which SBC Telecom is requesting confidential classification reducted.
- 7. At this time, SBC Telecom is unable to provide a date by which the specified proprietary confidential business information contained in the Returns and the RAF payment checks will no longer be proprietary confidential business information.
- 8. SBC Telecom has good cause and justification for its request, and continued confidentiality of the specified proprietary confidential business information in SBC Telecom's Returns and RAF payment checks will not prejudice the Commission, or any other persons or entities that may be interested in Returns.

WHEREFORE, SBC Telecom respectfully requests that the Commission determine that the specified proprietary confidential business information contained in its Returns for the year 2000, and the RAF payment checks, is

confidential and exempt from the Public Records Act, Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, and Article I, Section 24(a) of the Florida Constitution.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was furnished by hand delivery to Jack Shreve, Public Counsel, 111 West Madison Street, Room 812, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-6588 on this 29th day of March, 2001.