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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. 991376-TL
Initiation of Show Cause Proceedings against GTE Florida, Inc., for
Violation of Service Standards

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Please find enclosed for filing the Rebuttal Testimonies of John C. Appel, Russell B. Diamond and John A. Ferrell on behalf of Verizon Florida Inc. in the above matter. The Company considers all the testimonies and exhibits to be confidential and is, therefore, only filing one copy with Records & Reporting. Also enclosed are an original and 15 copies of a Notice of Intent to Seek Confidential Classification of the testimonies and exhibits. Service has been made as indicated on the Certificate of Service. If there are any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at 813-483-2617.

Sincerely,

Kimberly Caswell
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This notice of intent was filed in a docketed matter by or on behalf of a "telco" for Confidential DN 04966-01. The confidential material is in locked storage pending staff advice on handling.

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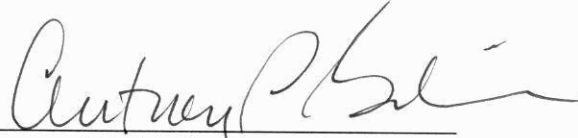
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that copies of the foregoing were sent via overnight delivery on
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Charles J. Beck, Deputy Public Counsel
Office of Public Counsel
111 W. Madison Street, Room 812
Tallahassee, FL 32399-1400



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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


In re: Initiation of Show Cause)
Proceedings Against GTE Florida) Docket No. 991376-TL
Inc. for Violation of Service Standards) Filed: April 20, 2001
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**VERIZON FLORIDA INC.'S
NOTICE OF INTENT TO SEEK CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION**

Verizon Florida Inc. (Verizon) (formerly, GTE Florida Incorporated) gives notice of its intent to seek confidential classification of the Rebuttal Testimonies and Exhibits (in their entirety) of John C. Appel, Russell B. Diamond and John A. Ferrell filed April 20, 2001 in this proceeding. This Notice exempts this material from section 119.07(1) of the Florida Statutes and section 24(a), Article I of the State Constitution and protects it from public disclosure. All of the information falls within Florida Statutes section 364.183(3)(e), which defines the term "proprietary confidential business information" to include "information relating to competitive interests, the disclosure of which would impair the competitive business of the provider of that information." In a competitive business, any such knowledge obtained about a competitor can be used to the detriment of the entity to which it pertains. This unfair advantage skews the operation of the market, to the ultimate detriment of the consumer.

Verizon will file a specific request for permanent protective order later, in accordance with Commission rules.

Respectfully submitted on April 20, 2001.

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