BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA

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In the Matter of the Application of of Legent Communications Corporation d/b/a Long Distance America for Original Authority to Provide Interexchange Telecommunications Services Within the State of Florida

No. 020107-TI

MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER

Legent Communications Corporation d/b/a Long Distance America. ("Applicant"), pursuant to Rule 25-22.006(5)(a) of the Florida Administrative Code hereby moves for a Protective Order from the Florida Public Service Commission. This Motion pertains to confidential financial statements (hereinafter, "Proprietary Documents") submitted with Applicant's Application for Original Authority to Provide Interexchange Telecommunications Services in the above-referenced proceeding.

In support of its motion, Applicant states as follows:

JUSTIFICATION

The material contained within the Proprietary Documents comprise highly confidential financial information that would be of significant benefit to competitors. By reviewing Applicant's financial information, competitors could determine the extent of Applicant's operations, and use this information to Applicant's disadvantage.

The information contained within the Proprietary Documents is of no benefit to the general public. Release of the information contained within the Proprietary Documents to competitors or potential competitors could cause irreparable and continuing financial and operational harm to the Applicant. The protection sought herein is consistent with relief granted to other applicants under similar circumstances in past proceedings.

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CONCLUSION

WHEREFORE, Applicant respectfully submits that there is substantial basis for restricting public disclosure of its financial statements, and therefore, requests that the Proprietary Documents be withheld from public inspection.

Respectfully submitted this 23 day of January 2002.

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