

**BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

In re: Investigation into pricing of unbundled network elements (Sprint/Verizon track) )  
Docket No. 990649B-TP )  
Filed: April 23, 2002 )

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**VERIZON FLORIDA INC.'S REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION**

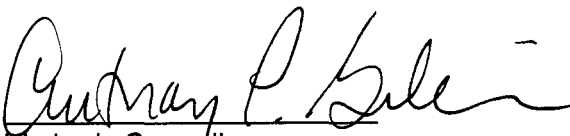
Under Commission Rule 25-22.006, Verizon Florida Inc. (Verizon) seeks confidential classification and a protective order for certain information produced in its supplemental responses to Staff's Eighth Set of Interrogatories (Nos. 242(b) and 274(b)) in this proceeding. While a ruling on this Request is pending, Verizon understands that the information at issue is exempt from Florida Statutes section 119.07(1) and Staff will accord it the stringent protection from disclosure required by Rule 25-22.006(3)(d).

All of the information for which Verizon seeks confidential treatment 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 information."

Verizon's response to Interrogatory No. 242(b) contains vendor pricing information.

Verizon's response to Interrogatory No. 274(b) contains information specific down to wire center levels which could be used to determine size of market. Both responses are provided on the attached confidential diskette.

Respectfully submitted on April 23, 2002.

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