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Ms. Blanca S. Bayo, Director
Division of the Commission Clerk
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Florida Public Service Commission
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Re: Docket No. *020464-TP*
Petition of Verizon Florida Inc. for Approval of Amendment No. 1 to
Interconnection Agreement with Essex Communications Inc. d/b/a eLec
Communications

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Please find enclosed an original and five copies of Verizon Florida Inc.'s Petition for Approval of Amendment No. 1 to Interconnection Agreement with Essex Communications Inc. d/b/a eLec Communications. The amendment consists of one page. 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.

Very truly yours,

KC Kimberly Caswell

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition of Verizon Florida Inc. for Approval)
of Amendment No. 1 to Interconnection Agreement)
with Essex Communications Inc. d/b/a eLec)
Communications)
_____)

Docket No. *020464-TP*
Filed: May 23, 2002

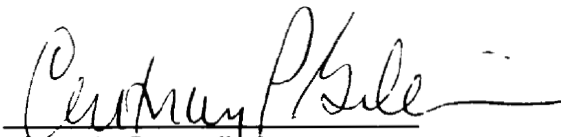
**PETITION OF VERIZON FLORIDA INC. FOR APPROVAL OF
AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT WITH
ESSEX COMMUNICATIONS INC. D/B/A eLec COMMUNICATIONS**

Verizon Florida Inc. (Verizon) (formerly GTE Florida Incorporated) files this petition before the Florida Public Service Commission (Commission) seeking approval of Amendment No. 1 to the interconnection agreement with Essex Communications Inc. d/b/a eLec Communications (eLec). In support of this petition, Verizon states:

The Verizon/eLec interconnection agreement was approved by the Commission by Order No. PSC-01-1042-FOF-TP on May 1, 2001 in Docket No. 010320-TP. The attached amendment adopts the reciprocal compensation plan put forth in the Order on Remand and Report and Order, *In the Matter of Implementation of the Local Competition Provisions in the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Intercarrier Compensation for ISP Bound Traffic*, FCC 01-131, CC Docket Nos. 96-98 and 99-68.

Verizon respectfully requests that the Commission approve the attached amendment and that Verizon be granted all other relief proper under the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted on May 23, 2002.

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AMENDMENT NO. 1

to the

INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT

between

VERIZON FLORIDA INC., f/k/a GTE FLORIDA INCORPORATED

and

Essex Communications Inc. d/b/a eLec Communications

This Amendment (the "Amendment") to the Interconnection Agreement between Verizon Florida Inc., f/k/a GTE Florida Incorporated and Essex Communications Inc. d/b/a eLec Communications (the "Agreement") is effective June 14, 2001.

Notwithstanding any other provision of the Agreement, Local Traffic does not include any Internet traffic. The Parties' rights and obligations with respect to any intercarrier compensation that may be due in connection with their exchange of Internet traffic shall be governed by the Order on Remand and Report and Order, *In the Matter of Implementation of the Local Competition Provisions in the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Intercarrier Compensation for ISP Bound Traffic*, FCC-01-131, CC Docket Nos. 96-98 and 99-68.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have caused this Amendment to be duly executed and delivered by their duly authorized representatives.

Essex Communications Inc. d/b/a eLec
Communications

By: Kevin Stolz

Printed: KEVIN STOLZ

Title: VICE PRESIDENT

Date: August 15, 2001

Verizon Florida Inc., f/k/a GTE Florida
Incorporated

By: Jeffrey A. Masoner

Printed: Jeffrey A. Masoner

Title: Vice-President - Interconnection
Services Policy & Planning

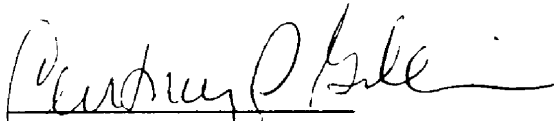
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that copies of Verizon Florida Inc.'s Petition for Approval of Amendment No. 1 to Interconnection Agreement with Essex Communications Inc. d/b/a eLec Communications were sent via overnight delivery(*) on May 22, 2002 and U.S. mail(**) on May 23, 2002 to:

Staff Counsel(*)
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Essex Communications Inc. d/b/a eLec Communications(**)
Attention: Kevin Stolz
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per Kimberly Caswell