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> Docket No. 020412-TP Re:

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed herewith for filing in the above-referenced docket on behalf of US LEC of Florida Inc. ("US LEC") are the original and fifteen copies of US LEC's Unopposed Motion for Extension of Time to Serve Discovery Requests.

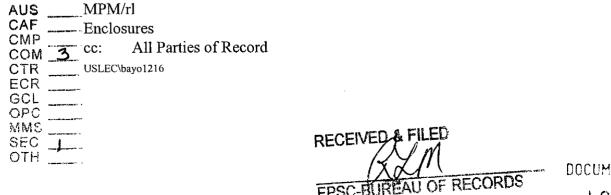
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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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Petition of US LEC OF FLORIDA INC. For Arbitration with Verizon-Florida, Inc. Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252(b) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended By the Telecommunications Act of 1996

Docket No. 020412-TP

Filed: December 16, 2002

US LEC OF FLORIDA INC.'S UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO SERVE DISCOVERY RESPONSES

Pursuant to Order No. PSC-02-1485-PCO-TP issued October 30, 2002, as amended in Order No. PSC-02-1485A-PCO-TP issued November 14, 2002, and Rule 28-106.206, Florida Administrative Code, US LEC of Florida Inc. ("US LEC") hereby requests an extension of time for the parties to serve outstanding discovery responses in the instant docket. In support of this Motion, US LEC states as follows:

1. Pursuant to Order No. PSC-02-1485-PCO-TP, as amended in Order PSC-02-1485A-PCO-TP, the parties' responses to current outstanding discovery requests are to be served on or before December 19, 2002.

2. The response date for outstanding discovery requests was previously extended to allow the parties to continue to negotiate to resolve the outstanding issues in the instant arbitration.

3. In Docket No. 000075-TP (the "generic docket"), the Commission has entertained motions for reconsideration to resolve issues in the generic docket that are the subject of the parties' ongoing negotiations. Both parties are awaiting a decision from the Commission in the generic docket to assist in the resolution of the issues in the instant arbitration.

DOCUMENT NUMPER-DATE 13680 DEC 168 FPSC-COMPASSION CLERK 4. Due to circumstances beyond the parties' control, the Commission deferred consideration of the Motion for Reconsideration in the generic docket from December 4, 2002 Agenda Conference until the December 17, 2002 Agenda Conference.

5. It is in the best interest of the parties to allow the Commission to resolve the issues in the generic docket to assist in the potential settlement of the outstanding issues in the instant arbitration. Counsel for US LEC has contacted counsel for Verizon and Verizon does not oppose the granting of this motion.

WHEREFORE, US LEC respectfully requests an extension of time from December 19, 2002 until December 30, 2002, for the parties to respond to outstanding discovery requests.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 16th day of December, 2002.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a copy of the foregoing was served on the following individuals by U.S. Mail this 16th day of December, 2002.

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