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In re: Request for Naming of Qualified Representative	
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REQUEST FOR NAMING OF QUALIFIED REPRESENTATIVE

Pursuant to rule 28-106.106, Florida Administrative Code, DIECA Communications, Inc., d/b/a Covad Communications Company (Covad) requests that Charles (Gene) E. Watkins. Senior Counsel, be named a qualified representative of Covad in all docketed and undocketed matters opened during the next twelve months. Covad is aware that it can be represented by counsel as defined in rule 28-106.106, Florida Administrative Code, and may also elect such representation.

Attached hereto is a sworn affidavit setting forth Mr. Watkins' qualifications. Watkins is located at 1230 Peachtree Street, NE, 19th Floor, Atlanta, Georgia 30309, (404) 942-3492.

WHEREFORE, Covad requests that the Commission grant this request.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Request for Naming of Qualified Representative has been furnished by hand delivery on this 31st day of January, 2005 to the following:

Richard D. Melson General Counsel Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Fl 32399

Vicki Gordon Kaufman

AFFIDAVIT OF CHARLES E. WATKINS

STATE OF GEORGIA

COUNTY OF FULTON

I, Charles E. Watkins, being first duly sworn, do hereby depose and state as

follows:

1. I am Senior Counsel for Covad Communications Company, 1230 Peachtree

Street, NE, 19th Floor, Atlanta, Georgia 30309.

2. I am a member in good standing of the Georgia Bar and am seeking to be

designated as a qualified representative pursuant to Rule 28-106.106, Florida Administrative

Code.

3. I have served as regulatory counsel to Covad Communications Company in

proceedings before state commissions. Moreover, I have assisted other attorneys in proceedings

before other state commissions that have involved the examination and resolution of factually

and legal issues similar to those under consideration in the above-captioned docket.

4. I am familiar with the relevant portions of the Florida Statutes, the Florida Rules

of Civil Procedure, the Florida Administrative Code, and the Florida Rules of Evidence.

I declare that the foregoing is true and correct based on my knowledge, information and

belief.

CHARLES E. WATKINS

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me this 24th day of Jan., 2005,

by Charles E. Watkins, who is personally known to me.

Notary Public, State

County of Fulton
Commission Number

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