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Ms. Blanca S. Bayo, Director Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Re: Docket No. 040156-TP

Petition for Arbitration of Amendment to Interconnection Agreements With Certain Competitive Local Exchange Carriers and Commercial Mobile Radio Service Providers in Florida by Verizon Florida Inc.

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Please find enclosed for filing an original and 15 copies of corrected page 4 of the Direct Testimony of Alan F. Ciamporcero on behalf of Verizon Florida Inc. in the above matter. A change was made on line 5 – February 20, 2003 was corrected to February 20, 2004. Service has been made as indicated on the Certificate of Service. If there are any questions concerning this filing, please contact me at 813-483-1256.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that copies of corrected page 4 of the Direct Testimony of Alan F. Ciamporcero on behalf of Verizon Florida Inc. in Docket No. 040156-TP were sent via U. S. mail on April 29, 2005 to the parties on the attached list.

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interconnection agreements, making available its *TRO* Amendment for negotiation. Although some CLECs eventually executed Verizon's *TRO* Amendment, Verizon's negotiation request produced little response from most CLECs. When negotiations proved unsuccessful, Verizon filed for arbitration here on February 20, 2004, within the window the FCC had established.

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8 Q. DID THE CLECS COOPERATE WITH THE ARBITRATION PROCESS

THE FCC HAD PRESCRIBED?

No. They did everything they could to delay the arbitration, and, thus, Even though the FCC specifically implementation of federal law. rejected the CLECs' contentions that negotiation of a TRO amendment should be delayed until all appeals of the TRO were final and nonappealable (TRO, ¶ 705), the CLECs claimed that Verizon's Petition for Arbitration was premature while the TRO was under appeal. The CLECs also raised various procedural challenges to Verizon's Petition. On July 12, 2004, the Commission granted Sprint's motion to dismiss Verizon's Petition because the Commission found that the filing did not provide enough information for the Commission to efficiently proceed with arbitration. In this regard, the Commission recognized that "those CLECs that have failed to respond to Verizon have contributed greatly to the lack of information available and have likely increased the burden on Verizon to meet the requirements of Section 252(b)(2)." (Order Granting Sprint's Motion to Dismiss, July 12, 2004, at 6.) The Commission thus granted Verizon leave to file a corrected Petition for Arbitration that