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Re: **CLAIM OF CONFIDENTIALITY:**
Northeast Florida Telephone Company's Response to 2006 Local Competition
Report Data Request

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Pursuant to Section 364.183(1), Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-22.006(5)(a), Florida Administrative Code, Northeast Florida Telephone Company ("Northeast Florida") hereby requests confidential treatment for certain portions of its Response to the 2006 Local Competition Report Data Request ("Response").

Enclosed herewith are the following attachments:

- (1) Attachment "A" - two copies of Northeast Florida's Response with the specific information claimed to be confidential redacted; and
- (2) Attachment "B" - a sealed envelope marked "CONFIDENTIAL" containing:
 - (a) a hard copy of Northeast Florida's complete unedited Response;
 - (b) Northeast Florida's complete unedited Response in electronic format; and
 - (c) Northeast Florida's Response with the specific information claimed to be confidential highlighted in yellow

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Northeast Florida asserts that the portions of its Response described below contain proprietary confidential business information regarding the business plans of both Northeast Florida and its affiliate Northeast Florida Communications. The services addressed in the Response are local and advanced services which Northeast Florida and its affiliate are currently experiencing competition from other service providers within its service territory.

Pursuant to Section 364.183(1), Florida Statutes, upon the filing of Northeast Florida's claim that such information is proprietary confidential business information, such information shall be kept confidential and shall be exempt from Section 119.07(1) and Section 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution. The specific portions of the Response Northeast Florida claims as proprietary confidential business information are as follows:

- 1) Question Nos. 4 & 5(a), (b), and (c) - VoIP: Disclosure of Northeast Florida's response to this item would provide Northeast Florida's competitors with proprietary confidential information regarding Northeast Florida's involvement in the highly competitive market of the provision of VoIP. This type of proprietary confidential business information is not made public under any other circumstances.
- 2) Question Nos. 6 - 8 - Broadband: Disclosure of Northeast Florida's response to this item would provide Northeast Florida's competitors with proprietary confidential business information regarding Northeast Florida's involvement in the market for broadband services within Northeast Florida's service territory. This type of proprietary confidential business information is not made public under any other circumstances.
- 3) Question Nos. 9 & 10 - Fiber Deployment: Disclosure of Northeast Florida's response to this item would provide Northeast Florida's competitors with proprietary confidential business information regarding Northeast Florida's involvement in the market for fiber deployment within Northeast Florida's service territory. This type of proprietary confidential business information is not made public under any other circumstances.
- 4) Table 1: The information provided in Table 1 consists of competitively sensitive information related to Northeast Florida's access lines. This information differs from Northeast Florida's response to Question 1 in that the numbers in Table 1 provide the access line data down to the exchange level. Such information is considered by Northeast Florida to be proprietary confidential business information.
- 5) Table 2: Northeast Florida is not authorized under its agreement with CLECs to

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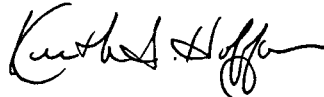
publicly disclose the information requested in Table 2. Accordingly, the information contained in Table 2 is considered by Northeast Florida to be proprietary confidential business information.

- 6) Tables 3 & 4: The information provided in Tables 3 & 4 consists of detailed access line information that is considered by Northeast Florida to be proprietary confidential business information.
- 7) FCC Form 477: Northeast Florida's responses to FCC Form 477 contain proprietary confidential information that is treated as confidential by the FCC and should also be treated as confidential by the Florida Public Service Commission.

A copy of this letter, along with a public copy of Northeast Florida's Response has been hand delivered to Sue Ollila, Division of Competitive Markets & Enforcement, concurrent with this filing.

Please acknowledge receipt of these documents by stamping the extra copy of this letter "filed" and returning the copy to me. Thank you for your assistance with this filing.

Sincerely,



Kenneth A. Hoffman

Enclosures

cc: Ms. Sue Ollila w/ Public Enclosure