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> Re: Docket No. 070008-OT Applications for qualified representative status

Dear Ms. Cole:

Attached to this electronic filing please find the following documents for filing on behalf of DeltaCom, Inc, Business Telecom, Inc., and Interstate FiberNet, Inc., in the above-referenced docket:

Request for Naming of Qualified Representative with attached Affidavit of D. Anthony Mastando

As always, thank you for your assistance with this filing and please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Marsha E. Rule

MER/tc

Cc: Michael Cooke, Esq.

BEFORE THE

FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Applications for qualified representative)	Docket No. 070008-OT
status)	
)	Date Filed: April 9, 2007

REQUEST FOR NAMING OF QUALIFIED REPRESENTATIVE

Pursuant to Rule 28-106.107, Florida Administrative Code, DeltaCom, Inc. ("DeltaCom"), Business Telecom, Inc. ("BTI") and Interstate FiberNet, Inc. ("IFN") (collectively, the "Companies") request that D. Anthony Mastando, Vice President – Regulatory Affairs and Senior Regulatory Attorney, for each, be named a qualified representative of the Companies in all docketed and non-docketed matters currently before the Commission and in any new matters in calendar year 2007 or such additional period as the Commission may authorize. Each of the Companies 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. Mastando's qualifications. Mr. Mastando's address is 7037 Old Madison Pike, Huntsville, AL, 35806, and his telephone number is (256) 382-3856.

WHEREFORE, for the above and foregoing reasons, DeltaCom, BTI and IFN each respectfully requests that the instant Request for Naming of Qualified Representative be granted.

Respectfully submitted

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE Docket 070008-OT

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Request for Naming of Qualified Representative has been furnished by U.S. Mail to the following parties on this 9th day of April, 2007:

Michael Cooke General Counsel Florida Public Service Commission Division of Legal Services 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Marsha E. Rule

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Request for Naming of Qualified Representative	Docket No. 070008-OT Filed: April 9, 2007	
AFFIDAVIT OF D. ANTHONY MASTANDO		
STATE OF ALABAMA COUNTY OF MADISON		
I, D. Anthony Mastando, b follows:	eing first duly sworn, do hereby depose and state as	
Inc., Business Telecom, Inc. and Inc.	nd Vice President of Regulatory Affairs for DeltaCom, interstate FiberNet, Inc. (collective, the "Companies").	
the District of Columbia and am s	good standing of the Bars of the State of New York and seeking to be designated as a qualified representative in ant to Rule 28-106.106, Florida Administrative Code.	
3. I have served as regulatory counsel for the Companies in proceedings before federal and state regulatory Commissions, and I have assisted other attorneys in proceedings before federal and other state Commissions that have involved the examination and resolution of factual and legal issues.		
4. I am familiar with the relevant portions of the Florida Statutes, the Florida Rules of Civil Procedure, the Florida Administrative Code, the Florida Rules of Evidence, and Rule 28-106.107, Florida Administrative Code.		
I declare that the foreg information, and belief.	going is true and correct based on my knowledge,	
	D. ANTHONY MASTANDO	
SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me thisday of April, 2007, by D. Anthony Mastando, who is personally known to me.		
	mule Harry	
	Notary Public, State of Alabama	

My Commission expires: __/-/2-08

Commission Number: