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RE: Docket No. 000121B-TP

Dear Ms. Cole:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of Embarq Florida, Inc. is Embarq's November 2008 Root Cause Analysis (RCA) report as required by Order Number PSC-03-0176-CO-TP in Docket 000121B-TP. This order required that any failure in three consecutive months to meet any performance for a given level of disaggregation shall require a RCA by Embarq, which shall then be published on a monthly basis. This report is for results for the period of July 2008 through September 2008 as published in the August, September and October reports.

Copies have been served to the parties shown on the attached Certificate of Service.

Sincerely,

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November 2008 Root Cause Analysis Report (reflects September 2008 data published October 2008) Florida Public Service Commission

Background

If there is non-compliance at the aggregate level in three consecutive months for a given level of disaggregation, Embarq shall provide a report of root cause analysis on a monthly basis. Embarq's root cause analysis shall include a plan for corrective action with key activities and anticipated completion dates for implementation.

Measure 2: Average FOC Notice Interval Submeasure 02.03.01 : Electronic/Manual Mix - Residential POTS							
Description of Issue	Start Date		Estimated Impact	End Date	Improvement Plan		
Center did not provision within time limitations. Missed FOC interval – Orders Manually Provisioned.	3Q2008				Discussed with Center Manager. Management is working to address ordering issues and exhaust issues to allow for timelier processing of orders.		

Submeasure 03.03.02.01 : Electronic/Manual Mix - Content Errors (other edits) - Resale Orders							
Description of Issue	Start Date	Projected Improvement	Estimated Impact	End Date	Improvement Plan		
Center did not provision within time limitations. Missed Reject interval - Orders Manually Provisioned.	3Q2008	i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i			Discussed with Center Manager. Management is working to address ordering issues and exhaust issues to allow for timelier processing of orders.		

Measure 7: Average Completed Interval Submeasure 07.01.02: Residential POTS - No Field V Description of Issue	Work Start Date	Projected Improvement	Estimated Impact	End Date	Improvement Plan
The increase in porting orders and the way in which they are closed out (CLEC has 10 days after DD) is causing non-compliance. The difference between the CLEC result and the Embarq result is .18.	1Q2008			Ongoing	This issue is being investigated to see if it is a CLEC training issue or a system/analyst problem which can be corrected with training. Once this is determined proper course of action will be taken. Embarq will continue to monitor this measure to ensure parity is maintained.

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Measure 7: Average Completed Interval Submeasure 07.02.02: Business POTS - No Field Wo	Measure 7: Average Completed Interval Submeasure 07.02.02 : Business POTS - No Field Work							
Description of Issue	Start Date	Projected Improvement	Estimated Impact	End Date	Improvement Plan			
The increase in porting orders and the way in which they are closed out (CLEC has 10 days after DD) is causing non-compliance. The difference between the CLEC result and the Embarq result is 1.49.	2Q2008			Ongoing	This issue is being investigated to see if it is a CLEC training issue or a system/analyst problem which can be corrected with training. Once this is determined proper course of action will be taken. Embarq will continue to monitor this measure to ensure parity is maintained.			

Measure 7: Average Completed Interval Submeasure 07.101.01: Residential POTS - UNE Loops xDSL Provisioned - Field Work							
Description of Issue	Start Date	Projected Improvement	Estimated Impact	End Date	Improvement Plan		
Of the three orders non-compliant by 24hrs or more one had an error, one was delayed due to service provisioning, and one was delayed due to heavy workload.	3Q2008	NA	NA	ongoing	Embarq is conducting continuing education to technicians on UNE's behind remote's techniques. Embarq will continue to monitor this measure to ensure parity is maintained.		

Measure 7: Average Completed Interval Submeasure 07,11.01: Residential POTS - UNE Loops Non-designed - Field Work							
Description of Issue	Start Date	Projected Improvement	Estimated	End Date	Improvement Plan		
Of the six orders non-compliant by 24hrs or more three were delayed due to service provisioning, two were delayed due to facilities availability and one was delayed waiting on the CIRAS order to be completed.	3Q2008	NA	NA	ongoing	Management is working to address provisioning issues and exhaust issues to allow for timelier processing of orders.		

Measure 11: Percent of Due Dates Missed Submeasure 11:11.01: UNE Loops Non-Designed Field Work							
Description of Issue	Start Date	Projected Improvement	Estimated Impact	End Date	Improvement Plan		
Of the 13 orders non-compliant by 24hrs or more five were delayed due to workload, four were delayed due to service provisioning, two the /Ciras Comp fid was never added to the order, one was delayed due to facilities		NA	7%	ongoing	The dispatch management has been informed of the importance of dispatching to businesses during the customer's working hours. Additionally, business office management has been notified of the importance of providing correct information on orders and taking		



availability and one was delayed waiting on an	action to prevent order errors.
associated order to be completed.	

Description of Issue	Start Date	Projected Improvement	Estimated Impact	End Date	Improvement Plan
Of the 29 tickets following orders 12 or 41% were cleared either to deteriorated buried cable or buried cable damaged by acts of nature, or they were cleared to customer caused damage to NIDs. These tickets were not directly related to any installations.	2Q2005	NA	3%	ongoing	Embarq is meeting with contractors on a weekly basis to ensure proper procedures are followed. We continue to emphasize completion testing on service orders and are replacing outside plant cables that contribute to trouble tickets. Embarq is also reaching out to CLEC's with high levels of troubles to further investigate the issue. Embarq's account management and analysis team are working with affected CLEC's to improve understanding and communication of repair issues.

Description of Issue	Start Date	Projected Improvement	Estimated Impact	End Date	Improvement Plan
Of the 95 orders non-compliant by 24hrs or more 62 or 65% were because the /CIRAS COMP fid was either never added to the order or was added after the CIRAS order was actually completed.	3Q2007	NA	NA		The \CIRAS COMP fid is not being added due to an issue which developed with the implementation of a new system which is adversely impacting SOE's ability to populate this fid. Meetings have been held on this issue and improvement steps are underway. IT is working on this issue.

Description of Issue	Start Date	Projected Improvement	Estimated Impact	End Date	Improvement Plan
Of the 45 orders non-compliant by 24hrs or more 26 or 58% had R orders which were the last on the PON to close. Thirteen or 29% of the orders had closing dates which were sent from ARC but were never posted in IRES.	3Q2007	NA	NA		The fact that R orders often are the last order on the PON to close and typically close after the due date continue to cause an out of compliant situation on this measure. The issue with closing dates not being received from ARC into IRES is being addressed by IT. Management responsible for clearing errors is coaching associates on error resolution process. The issue with closing dates not being received from ARC into IRES is being addressed by IT.



Description of Issue	Start Date	Projected Improvement	Estimated Impact	End Date	Improvement Plan
43 trouble reports 10 defective cards – replaced 9 defective cable pairs – replaced 7 lightning-caused destroyed Oneac protectors – replaced 4 EMBARQ employee errors – corrected 3 broken jumpers – replaced 3 bad jacks - replaced 2 bad cable sections – replaced 2 cable pairs with foreign voltage – repaired 1 bad NIU – replaced 1 bad test point – repaired 1 temporary drop cut - repaired					None. All issues were repaired, no more than three tickets were part of any one outage. There was no pattern of trouble isolated to one wire center or one date. Issues were random in nature and location. Does not warrant improvement plan in any one area. All defective/damaged equipment issues have been rectified with replacement equipment.

Description of Issue	Start Date	Projected Improvement	Estimated Impact	End Date	Improvement Plan
21 trouble reports					None. 10 of the issues (cable/fiber cuts and lightning strikes) were outside of Embarg's control. All other issues were repaired.
8 third-party cable or fiber cuts - repaired					Will will be a state of the sta
3 defective cable pairs – replaced					All defective/damaged equipment issues have been rectified with
2 defective cards - replaced	Į		Į į		replacement equipment.
2 lightning-caused destroyed Oneac protectors -	4				
replaced					
1 defective cable section - replaced					
1 defective NIU - replaced			1		
l broken jumper – replaced	ľ				
I short on cable pair - repaired					
1 defective CFA time slot - repaired	1				
1 dirty jack - replaced		1			