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Ms. Beth W. Salak, Director
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Dear Ms. Salak:

Attached are revised tariff pages filed to become part of the Verizon Florida LLC Facilities for Intrastate Access Tariff.

FACILITIES FOR INTRASTATE ACCESS

18. INTERIM NUMBER PORTABILITY (INP)

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The purpose of this filing is to remove the obsolete service, Interim Number Portability, from the Intrastate Access Tariff.

If you require additional information, please call Joan Gage at (813) 483-2530.

Sincerely,
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18.1 ~~General~~

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~~Pursuant to the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Florida Statute Chapter 364, and FPSC Order No. PSC 97-0476-FOF-TP, Telephone Number Portability is provided on an interim basis in this Tariff. Interim Number Portability (INP) provides the ability of a user of telecommunications services, to the extent technically feasible, to retain an existing telephone number when changing from one provider of telecommunications service to another provider. Services offered in this Tariff are provided only within the GTE Florida Incorporated exchange serving areas as approved by the Florida Public Service Commission.~~

~~Interim Number Portability (INP) is only available to Alternative Local Exchange Carriers. Alternative Local Exchange Carriers are defined in this Tariff as a holder of an ALEC Certificate granted by the Florida Public Service Commission.~~

18.2 ~~Conditions~~

~~INP described in this Tariff is used only as an interim solution for number portability.~~

~~The ALEC must have a local interconnection agreement with the Company in order to purchase INP from the Company. When INP is purchased from the Company, the ownership of the telephone number is NOT transferred to the ALEC. The Company reserves the reasonable right to assign, designate or change telephone numbers. Should it become necessary to make a change in such number(s), the Company will furnish the ALEC six (6) months notice of the effective date and an explanation of the reason(s) for such change(s).~~

~~INP will not be provided in conjunction with Public Telephone Access Service, ISDN or any other technically limited services.~~

~~INP service may only be ordered at the time the ALEC is converting the end user's local service from Company provided local service to the ALEC's local service.~~

~~Service interactions with INP may limit the functionality of some services and/or features rendering them non functional to calls sent to the ALEC's end users.~~

~~Busy verification and interrupt services will not be provided for telephone numbers with INP.~~

~~GTE Calling Cards will not be provided to a ALEC end user line for which INP is purchased.~~

~~The ALEC is responsible to obtain authorization from the end user for the handling of the disconnection from the end user's service with the Company, the provision of service by the ALEC and the provision of INP service. Should a dispute or discrepancy arise regarding the authority of the ALEC to act on behalf of the end user, the ALEC is responsible for providing written evidence of authority by certificate of agency to the Company. In the event the ALEC is unable to provide such authorization in a form satisfactory to the Company, the Company will refuse to disconnect the end user's service.~~

~~The ALEC is responsible for coordinating the provisioning of the INP service with the Company.~~

~~The ALEC is responsible for all charges for canceling INP services for any telephone numbers subscribed to INP services for which it is not presently providing local exchange service.~~

~~The ALEC is responsible for designating to the Company, at the time of its initial service request for INP services, the appropriate Line Information Database (LIDB) indicator for the correct handling of collect, third party, and other operator handled calls to INP assigned telephone numbers. The ALEC may request that an indicator be included in the Company's database that all such calls be denied; however, the Company will not guarantee such denial. The indicator default will be set to deny all collect, third party, and operator handled calls in instances where the ALEC does not designate a preference when service is initially established. In any case, the ALEC is responsible for payment of all collect, third number, and other operator handled charges terminated on the INP telephone number.~~

~~ALECs will be held liable for both the unauthorized termination of service with the Company and the subsequent unauthorized transfer of their own service. ALECs are responsible for the actions of their agents that solicit unauthorized service termination and transfers. ALECs who engage in such unauthorized activity shall restore the end user's service to the Company without a charge to the end user. The ALEC shall be billed the applicable charges from Section M4 of the General Services Tariff to reconnect the end user's service and the applicable PIC change charges in the GTE Telephone Operating Companies' FCC No. 1 Tariff and Facilities for Intrastate Access Tariff.~~

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~~18.3 Service Description~~

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~~As required in FPSC Order No. PSC 97-0064 FOF TP, the following methods are available to provide INP. The ALEC must have a local interconnection agreement with the Company in order to purchase INP from the Company. Specific information regarding delivery intervals for each method will be documented in the interconnection agreement between GTEFL and the ALEC.~~

~~Remote Call Forwarding (RCF) provides INP by assigning a second 10 digit number to a customer and forwarding calls to that customer's new serving end office. When a customer has changed service providers, but retains the current telephone number, calls placed to that number are first routed to the old provider's end office. At the old provider's end office, the telephone number is forwarded to the second number, which is located at the new provider's end office. The call is then routed to the customer's location. The ordering party shall request an appropriate number of paths to handle required simultaneous calls to the same ported number.~~

~~Flexible Direct Inward Dialing (Flex-DID) provides INP by sending calls to a ported number through a specific, dedicated trunk group between the old service provider's end office and the new service provider's end office. Calls to a ported number are routed to the old service provider's end office where they are routed directly to the appropriate Flex-DID group. Flex-DID does not require a second telephone number.~~

~~Directory Number Route Index (DNRI) provides INP by sending calls to a ported number via the new service provider's end office through an interconnection trunk. This trunk is established directly between end offices. DNRI does not require a second number.~~

~~Route Index Portability Hub (RIPH) operates much like DNRI, but routes ported calls differently. The old service provider's office routes the call to the end office's tandem switch, which then routes the call to the new service provider's end office over direct interconnection trunks. This is accomplished by adding a pseudo NPA code to the NXX which identifies the new service provider at the old service provider's end office. The tandem switch recognizes the pseudo NPA NXX combination, routing the call to the direct interconnection trunk group of the new service provider.~~

~~LERG Reassignment uses the network table entitled Local Exchange Routing Guide to determine routing of geographic numbers. The LERG is managed by BellCore, and is used by all carriers for routing instructions. LERG Reassignment enables an NXX or a portion of an NXX to be routed to a specific switch other than that of the carrier to which the NXX is originally assigned. GTEFL will provide LERG Reassignment at the NPA NXX level only where an entire NXX code is used or reserved by one or more ALEC subscriber(s).~~

~~18.4 Rates and Charges~~

~~Pursuant to FPSC Order No. PSC 97-0476 FOF TP, all LECs shall track the costs of providing the INP methods described in Section 18.3, until the FCC issues its order implementing a cost recovery mechanism for permanent number portability. Further, all LECs are to track their INP costs with the understanding that these costs are potentially recoverable through the permanent number portability cost recovery mechanism.~~

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