BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition of CENTRAL TELEPHONE COMPANY OF FLORIDA for rate increase

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INTERIM PROTECTIVE ORDER

By Motion for Interim Protective Order, filed June 28, 1990, Central Telephone Company of Florida, (Centel), with the concurrence of the Office of Public Counsel (OPC), has requested, pursuant to Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code, that this Commission issue an interim protective order for materials and information requested by OPC. Centel intends to deliver into OPC's possession materials and information responsive to OPC's First, Second, Third, Fourth and Fifth Requests for Production of Documents, as well as OPC's First Set of Interrogatories to Centel.

Centel asserts that throughout the documents which are responsive to the above-noted requests for production and interrogatories is material that falls within the statutory criteria for confidential treatment. Centel requests that the Commission provide protection from disclosure materials and information until OPC is able to complete a review of the materials and information. At the completion of its review, OPC will notify Centel of the specific materials and information it intends to use in this proceeding. At that confidential point, Centel will request specified classification of those specific materials and information for which it is necessary. By this method, Centel asserts that the discovery process will be made much more efficient and less time consuming, which will benefit all parties.

Based on the foregoing, we find it appropriate, pursuant to our authority in Section 364.183, Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code, to grant Centel's request for an Interim Protective Order. Accordingly, the documents received by OPC from Centel shall be kept confidential and be exempt from public disclosure under 119.07(1), Florida Statutes, for the duration of this Interim Protective Order. By August 31, 1990, OPC shall identify from

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the documents covered by this Interim Protective Order those which it intends to utilize in this hearing. Centel shall file any request for specified confidential classification that it intends to file for such documents no later than September 17, 1990. This Interim Protective Order shall expire on September 17, 1990. This Order shall have no effect on the subsequent determination of any request for specified confidential classification of any of these materials and information.

By ORDER of Chairman MICHAEL McK. WILSON, as Prehearing Officer, this 11th day of July 1990

MICHAEL McK. WILSON, Chairman and Prehearing Officer

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