

### BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Proposed tariff filing by GTE Florida Incorporated to transfer a portion of the Sarasota exchange into the Bradenton exchange.

DOCKET NO. 970990-TL FILED: FEBRUARY 23, 1998

## STAFF'S PREHEARING STATEMENT

Pursuant to Order No. PSC-97-1398-PCO-TL, the Staff of the Florida Public Service Commission files its Prehearing Statement.

- A. All Known Witnesses: Staff does not intend to sponsor a witness at this time.
- B. <u>All Known Exhibits</u>: Staff has not yet identified a tentative list of exhibits which it intends to utilize in this proceeding. Staff will supply a tentative list of such exhibits at or prior to the Prehearing Conference.

Would transferring a portion of the Sarasota exchange to the Bradenton exchange create unreasonable expenses for affected

C. Staff's Statement of Basic Position:

None pending discovery.

D. Staff's Position on the Issues:

### ISSUE 1:

TA	Gustomers,
	YAFF:
CMU	Staff has no position at this time.
EAG IS	SUE 2:
LEG	Should affected customers be balloted in order to determine if they are in favor of the boundary change?
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SEC	Staff has no position at this time.  DOCUMENT NUMBER-DATE
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# H. Stipulation

Staff is not aware of any issues that have been stipulated at this time.

# I. Pending Motions:

Staff has no pending motions at this time.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

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# CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that one true and correct copy of Staff's

Prehearing Statement has been furnished by U.S. Mail this 23rd day

of February, 1998, to the following:

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that copies of William J McGinty's

Direct Testimony on behalf of Sarasota Equine Associates
in Docket No. 220090-TL wre sent via U.S. mail on Foruary
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11,1998, to the parties listed below.

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