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Division of Records and Reporting
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Re: Docket No. 980696-TP
Determination of the cost of basic local telecommunications service,
pursuant to Section 364.025, Florida Statutes

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed please find an original and fifteen copies of GTE Florida Incorporated's ("GTEFL") Late-Filed Deposition Exhibits arising from the September 16, 1998 deposition of GTEFL witness Mr. Allen E. Sovereign. The response to the request for Late-Filed Deposition Exhibit 2 ("GTEFL Forecast of Additions and Retirements for 1998-2000") contains confidential information and should be treated as such, in accordance with the accompanying Notice of Intent to Request Confidential Classification. Only those parties who have executed the appropriate protective agreement have been provided copies of the confidential data.

As discussed during the deposition of Mr. Sovereign, GTEFL was to review the data related to Late-Filed Deposition Exhibit 5 ("Verification of 1997 Depreciation Expense for Buried Cable Fiber"). GTEFL discovered several errors in Schedules B-3 and B-4 which were provided in response to AT&T's Interrogatory Number 8. These schedules were the subject of Staff's cross-examination questions. GTEFL is in the process of updating the schedules, and will provide corrected schedules as soon as possible.

This Notice of Intent was filed with Confidential Document No. 10995-52. The document has been placed in the confidential files pending receipt of a request for confidential treatment.

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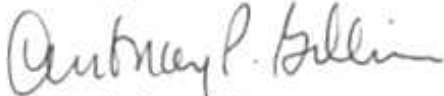
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Should you have any questions regarding the enclosed, please contact me.

Sincerely,



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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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**GTE FLORIDA INCORPORATED'S
NOTICE OF INTENT TO SEEK CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION**

GTE Florida Incorporated (GTEFL) hereby gives notice of its intent to seek confidential classification of certain material contained in Late-Filed Deposition Exhibit No. 2 of Allen E. Sovereign in this matter. This notice exempts this material from §119.07(1) of the Florida Statutes and §24(a), Art. 1 of the State Constitution and protects this material from public disclosure. GTE will follow this Notice with a request for confidential classification and protective order within 21 days.

All of this information falls within Florida Statutes §364.183(3)(e), which defines the terms "proprietary confidential business information" to include "information relating to competitive interests, the disclosure of which would impair the competitive business of the provider of that information." In a competitive business, any such knowledge obtained about a competitor can be used to the detriment of the entity to which it pertains. This unfair advantage skews the operation of the market, to the ultimate detriment of the consumer.

Respectfully submitted on October 7, 1998.

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**LATE-FILED DEPOSITION EXHIBITS
SEPTEMBER 16, 1998 DEPOSITION OF
GTE FLORIDA INCORPORATED WITNESS
ALLEN E. SOVEREIGN**

Late-Filed Deposition Exhibit No. 1 -- "Support for Recommended Future Net Salvage Values"

Response: GTEFL's forward-looking future net salvage ("FNS") values as recommended in this proceeding are based on the experience of those GTE employees, such as Mr. Sovereign, who are responsible for estimating FNS values for GTE's operations. Mr. Sovereign also reviewed and considered historical salvage values in arriving at the values contained in GTEFL's forward-looking economic life and FNS recommendations.

Historical salvage values differ from GTEFL's proposed FNS values. For example, copper cable accounts historically indicate a more negative FNS than the FNS value proposed by GTEFL. This difference occurs primarily because historical salvage values reflect predominately higher removal costs of interim retirements. Since this proceeding is designed to estimate the forward-looking cost of providing basic local telecommunications service, GTEFL's proposed FNS values include anticipated salvage from both interim and final retirements. When final retirements are considered, FNS values approach zero.

Finally, GTEFL's proposed FNS values are related to GTE's proposed economic lives. Using historical, non-forward-looking depreciation lives (such as those prescribed by the FCC for copper cable) necessitate using more negative FNS values. GTEFL's FNS values are appropriately not as negative as those prescribed by the FCC for certain accounts.

Attached is a worksheet illustrating historical salvage data from 1990 through 1997, along with a column indicating GTEFL's proposed FNS value and the FCC's approved FNS value for GTEFL.

Late-Filed Deposition Exhibit 2 -- "GTEFL Forecasts of Additions and Retirements, 1998-2000"

Response: Attached is a worksheet illustrating forecast additions and retirements for 1998 through 2000. The attached forecast is not relevant to GTEFL's proposals in this proceeding. The forecast was not reviewed, used, or relied upon by Mr. Sovereign in the derivation of the economic life and FNS recommendations proposed by GTEFL. Indeed, the forecasts are generic in nature, taken from an internal strategic plan, and

ARE NOT TIED TO ANY SPECIFIC PLANS OR FORECASTS. They are approximate at best and should not be relied upon.

Late-Filed Deposition Exhibit 3 -- "Comparison of Actual Copper Cable Retirements to Forecasts"

Response: Attached is a worksheet illustrating the comparison of actual copper cable retirements to forecast retirements. The comparison was comprised using the forecasted copper cable retirements contained in GTEFL's 1992 and 1995 depreciation studies, and the actual copper cable retirements from 1992 through 1997.

Late-Filed Deposition Exhibit 4 -- "GTE Proposed and Commission Approved Depreciation Parameters by Account in State Universal Service Proceedings"

Response: To date, there have been no state utility commission orders issued in any state in which GTE operates where the proceeding was designed solely for the purpose of establishing or estimating *intrastate* universal service costs or obligations. The majority of state utility commission proceeding in which GTE has submitted depreciation life proposals have been conducted for the purpose of submitting a cost model or costing proposal to the FCC for universal service purposes.

Late-Filed Deposition Exhibit 5 -- "Verification of 1997 Depreciation Expense for Buried Fiber Cable"

Response: GTEFL continues to investigate this request and will respond as soon as possible.

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Account	Year	Retirements	Gross Salvage	Cost Of Removal	Net Salvage	FNS %	GTE FNS	FCC FNS
211200	1990	3,570,830	616,429	0	616,429	17.3%		
211200	1991	4,724,314	1,108,762	0	1,108,762	23.5%		
211200	1992	1,723,221	376,959	0	376,959	21.9%		
211200	1993	1,885,842	258,685	0	258,685	13.7%		
211200	1994	1,400,309	233,651	0	233,651	16.7%		
211200	1995	4,002,237	347,771	0	347,771	8.7%		
211200	1996	3,467,428	673,595	0	673,595	19.4%		
211200	1997	4,286,079	265,617	0	265,617	6.2%		
Band	90-97	25,060,260	3,881,470	0	3,881,470	15.5%	10%	18%
211500	1990	18,653	0	0	0	0.0%		
211500	1991	19,254	0	0	0	0.0%		
211500	1992	0	0	0	0	ERR		
211500	1993	230,047	31,176	0	31,176	13.6%		
211500	1994	780	6,056	0	6,056	776.4%		
211500	1995	117,980	0	0	0	0.0%		
211500	1996	4,508	0	0	0	0.0%		
211500	1997	24,969	0	0	0	0.0%		
Band	90-97	416,191	37,232	0	37,232	8.9%	0%	0%
211600	1990	53,112	0	0	0	0.0%		
211600	1991	104,722	0	0	0	0.0%		
211600	1992	101,927	0	0	0	0.0%		
211600	1993	28,373	1,255	0	1,255	4.4%		
211600	1994	836,046	4,435	0	4,435	0.5%		
211600	1995	974,867	6,000	0	6,000	0.6%		
211600	1996	1,167,304	77,962	0	77,962	6.7%		
211600	1997	823,767	270,080	0	270,080	32.8%		
Band	90-97	4,090,118	359,732	0	359,732	8.8%	0%	0%
212100	1990	638,184	0	1,273,363	(1,273,363)	-199.5%		
212100	1991	3,777,474	227,471	998,199	(770,727)	-20.4%		
212100	1992	2,278,043	260,674	847,409	(586,735)	-25.8%		
212100	1993	5,710,864	419,475	2,002,002	(1,582,527)	-27.7%		
212100	1994	10,335,635	5,555,423	1,648,831	3,906,592	37.8%		
212100	1995	2,692,396	1,204,342	1,188,263	16,079	0.6%		
212100	1996	7,763,390	1,284,878	3,898,279	(2,613,401)	-33.7%		
212100	1997	8,063,542	84,400	3,277,316	(3,192,916)	-39.6%		
Band	90-97	41,259,529	9,036,663	15,133,661	(6,096,998)	-14.8%	0%	0%
212200	1990	47,961	1,168	0	1,168	2.4%		
212200	1991	0	5,415	0	5,415	ERR		
212200	1992	23,277	6,681	0	6,681	28.7%		
212200	1993	188,118	50,004	0	50,004	26.6%		
212200	1994	121,723	28,874	0	28,874	23.7%		
212200	1995	191,362	126,178	0	126,178	65.9%		
212200	1996	84,136	0	1,964	(1,964)	-2.3%		

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212200	1997	45,907	2,653	0	2,653	5.8%		
Band	90-97	702,484	220,973	1,964	219,009	31.2%	0%	9%
212310	1990	61,281	8,901	0	8,901	14.5%		
212310	1991	0	6,615	0	6,615	ERR		
212310	1992	0	12,298	0	12,298	ERR		
212310	1993	13,904	44,228	0	44,228	318.1%		
212310	1994	369,110	66,707	0	66,707	18.1%		
212310	1995	2,246,497	5,430	0	5,430	0.2%		
212310	1996	698,957	272	24,556	(24,284)	-3.5%		
212310	1997	609,632	2,654	0	2,654	0.4%		
Band	90-97	3,999,381	147,105	24,556	122,549	3.1%	0%	8%
212320	1990	1,059,764	1,448,870	17,090	1,431,780	135.1%		
212320	1991	1,134,606	1,111,511	69,806	1,041,705	91.8%		
212320	1992	4,920,606	429,478	152,118	277,360	5.5%		
212320	1993	0	274,752	7,371	267,381	ERR		
212320	1994	25,475,270	502,320	83,046	419,274	1.6%		
212320	1995	85,433	0	33,277	(33,277)	-39.0%		
212320	1996	123,635	40,441	26,574	13,867	11.2%		
212320	1997	1,060,088	0	17,936	(17,936)	-1.7%		
Band	90-97	33,859,402	3,807,372	407,218	3,400,154	10.0%	0%	-5%
212400	1990	1,427,719	1,071,593	0	1,071,593	75.1%		
212400	1991	179,509	77,176	4,110	73,066	40.7%		
212400	1992	372,568	214,473	0	214,473	57.6%		
212400	1993	1,146,236	48,697	0	48,697	4.2%		
212400	1994	44,413,361	173,905	0	173,905	0.4%		
212400	1995	1,271,912	264,328	0	264,328	20.8%		
212400	1996	2,045,689	1,388,288	0	1,388,288	67.9%		
212400	1997	355,282	114,809	0	114,809	32.3%		
Band	90-97	51,212,276	3,353,269	4,110	3,349,159	6.5%	0%	0%
221200	1990	9,886,430	0	138,488	(138,488)	-1.4%		
221200	1991	6,030,985	4,190,841	512,883	3,677,958	61.0%		
221200	1992	5,641,180	1,110,163	116,450	993,713	17.6%		
221200	1993	19,056,964	4,166,018	261,109	3,904,910	20.5%		
221200	1994	9,826,959	3,387,858	528,528	2,859,330	29.1%		
221200	1995	16,455,973	3,484,195	329,717	3,154,478	19.2%		
221200	1996	58,058,345	1,504,188	535,015	969,173	1.7%		
221200	1997	16,514,602	6,830,432	588,338	6,242,094	37.8%		
Band	90-97	141,471,439	24,673,695	3,010,528	21,663,168	15.3%	0%	0%
222000	1990	8,165,654	1,305	69,185	(67,880)	-0.8%		
222000	1991	5,040,164	3,149,756	190,607	2,959,149	58.7%		
222000	1992	5,473,059	0	74,604	(74,604)	-1.4%		
222000	1993	859,413	732,383	52,214	680,169	79.1%		
222000	1994	2,188,004	478,476	55,065	423,411	19.4%		

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222000	1995	11,474,610	721,108	57,180	663,928	5.8%		
222000	1996	625,429	9,800	27,644	(17,844)	-2.9%		
222000	1997	2,988,754	0	429	(429)	-0.0%		
Band	90-97	36,815,087	5,092,828	526,928	4,565,900	12.4%	0%	0%
223100	1990	644,612	35,478	311,487	(276,009)	-42.8%		
223100	1991	18,596,691	2,650	795,020	(792,371)	-4.3%		
223100	1992	5,619,490	43,557	843,958	(800,402)	-14.2%		
223100	1993	1,102,823	250	363,591	(363,341)	-32.9%		
223100	1994	331,291	795	133,196	(132,401)	-34.7%		
223100	1995	1,541,617	1,380	10,321	(8,941)	-0.6%		
223100	1996	67,354	3,470	9,705	(6,235)	-9.3%		
223100	1997	3,676,622	0	102,394	(102,394)	-2.8%		
Band	90-97	31,630,501	87,579	2,569,673	(2,482,093)	-7.8%	0%	-5%
223200	1990	177,349,214	3,110,096	3,157,897	(47,801)	-0.0%		
223200	1991	42,940,846	5,552,713	2,505,862	3,046,850	7.1%		
223200	1992	39,809,677	3,742,678	2,826,899	915,779	2.3%		
223200	1993	40,419,756	5,737,320	2,407,672	3,329,647	8.2%		
223200	1994	43,901,498	4,726,189	1,489,177	3,237,012	7.4%		
223200	1995	66,261,038	5,633,053	1,186,242	4,446,811	6.7%		
223200	1996	15,280,755	7,208,976	815,863	6,393,113	41.8%		
223200	1997	18,338,809	5,141,966	812,425	4,329,541	23.6%		
Band	90-97	444,301,594	40,852,990	15,202,038	25,650,952	5.8%	0%	3%
235100	1990	256,870	7,927	0	7,927	3.1%		
235100	1991	1,224,583	670,051	0	670,051	54.7%		
235100	1992	1,010,785	1,119,985	0	1,119,985	110.8%		
235100	1993	2,339,949	521,055	0	521,055	22.3%		
235100	1994	2,566,722	1,969,309	0	1,969,309	76.7%		
235100	1995	7,954,293	1,793,391	0	1,793,391	22.5%		
235100	1996	2,166,800	1,284,698	0	1,284,698	59.3%		
235100	1997	0	32,142	0	32,142	ERR		
Band	90-97	17,520,002	7,398,558	0	7,398,558	42.2%	0%	0%
236200	1990	590,678	72,308	3,248	69,060	11.7%		
236200	1991	7,869,768	809	0	809	0.0%		
236200	1992	8,595	783	105	679	7.9%		
236200	1993	363	122,665	2,200	120,465	33186.0%		
236200	1994	688,823	4,207	0	4,207	0.6%		
236200	1995	66,790	38,717	11,993	26,724	40.0%		
236200	1996	3,435,066	0	8,482	(8,482)	-0.2%		
236200	1997	5,940,830	0	3,112	(3,112)	-0.1%		
Band	90-97	18,600,912	239,490	29,140	210,350	1.1%	0%	-5%
241100	1990	619,095	8,089	544,663	(536,574)	-86.7%		
241100	1991	687,590	14,208	509,887	(495,679)	-72.1%		
241100	1992	511,425	8,429	476,754	(468,325)	-91.6%		

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241100	1993	520,905	75,649	386,466	(310,817)	-59.7%		
241100	1994	370,205	45,609	349,365	(303,756)	-82.1%		
241100	1995	319,799	8,398	304,979	(296,581)	-92.7%		
241100	1996	840,344	5,038	258,294	(253,256)	-30.1%		
241100	1997	660,385	5,413	313,057	(307,644)	-46.6%		
Band	90-97	4,529,748	170,834	3,143,466	(2,972,632)	-65.6%	-50%	-75%
242110	1990	3,817,851	357,570	2,308,934	(1,951,364)	-51.1%		
242110	1991	7,560,279	1,261,510	2,874,196	(1,612,686)	-21.3%		
242110	1992	7,824,540	976,510	1,771,425	(794,915)	-10.2%		
242110	1993	6,991,879	0	1,758,195	(1,758,195)	-25.1%		
242110	1994	3,855,255	178,012	1,260,509	(1,082,497)	-28.1%		
242110	1995	2,817,195	100,278	826,616	(726,338)	-25.8%		
242110	1996	1,259,408	216,950	1,149,080	(932,130)	-74.0%		
242110	1997	3,054,947	114,731	1,456,889	(1,342,158)	-43.9%		
Band	90-97	37,181,352	3,205,562	13,405,844	(10,200,283)	-27.4%	-10%	-35%
242120	1990	1,094	0	907	(907)	-83.0%		
242120	1991	2,929	0	827	(827)	-28.2%		
242120	1992	74,326	2,096	7,350	(5,254)	-7.1%		
242120	1993	101,647	0	2,800	(2,800)	-2.8%		
242120	1994	81,373	0	8,322	(8,322)	-10.2%		
242120	1995	38,580	0	5,399	(5,399)	-14.0%		
242120	1996	0	0	11,251	(11,251)	ERR		
242120	1997	294,565	0	13,526	(13,526)	-4.6%		
Band	90-97	594,514	2,096	50,382	(48,286)	-8.1%	-10%	-25%
242210	1990	2,678,378	275,818	1,199,544	(923,726)	-34.5%		
242210	1991	17,490,562	35,171	1,328,362	(1,293,191)	-7.4%		
242210	1992	7,930,381	4,320	1,314,221	(1,309,901)	-16.5%		
242210	1993	5,410,075	0	1,227,640	(1,227,640)	-22.7%		
242210	1994	2,169,424	0	683,140	(683,140)	-31.5%		
242210	1995	1,071,808	0	602,195	(602,195)	-56.2%		
242210	1996	746,093	41,291	561,641	(520,350)	-69.7%		
242210	1997	2,162,597	0	1,016,059	(1,016,059)	-47.0%		
Band	90-97	39,659,318	356,601	7,932,803	(7,576,202)	-19.1%	-10%	-17%
242220	1990	440,923	0	12,379	(12,379)	-2.8%		
242220	1991	3,157,960	0	198,000	(198,000)	-6.3%		
242220	1992	226,619	4,313	41,226	(36,913)	-16.3%		
242220	1993	377,161	0	29,723	(29,723)	-7.9%		
242220	1994	583,071	0	66,422	(66,422)	-11.4%		
242220	1995	427,562	6,559	76,968	(70,409)	-16.5%		
242220	1996	229,920	22,963	112,069	(89,106)	-38.8%		
242220	1997	1,167,039	7,836	51,927	(44,091)	-3.8%		
Band	90-97	6,610,255	41,671	588,714	(547,043)	-8.3%	-10%	-9%
242310	1990	12,338,391	625,091	3,272,670	(2,647,579)	-21.5%		

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242310	1991	44,854,233	101,786	3,300,519	(3,198,733)	-7.1%		
242310	1992	10,398,082	322,142	3,152,467	(2,830,325)	-27.2%		
242310	1993	14,456,647	753,182	2,701,824	(1,948,642)	-13.5%		
242310	1994	13,870,657	674,242	2,221,576	(1,547,334)	-11.2%		
242310	1995	9,966,409	491,113	1,625,921	(1,134,808)	-11.4%		
242310	1996	6,861,058	482,938	2,100,123	(1,617,185)	-23.6%		
242310	1997	14,123,097	163,312	2,010,611	(1,847,299)	-13.1%		
Band	90-97	126,868,574	3,613,806	20,385,711	(16,771,905)	-13.2%	-10%	-11%
242320	1990	2,458	0	3,219	(3,219)	-130.9%		
242320	1991	1,057,051	0	26,165	(26,165)	-2.5%		
242320	1992	205,288	32,772	7,441	25,331	12.3%		
242320	1993	327,550	0	4,657	(4,657)	-1.4%		
242320	1994	146,448	0	46,544	(46,544)	-31.8%		
242320	1995	102,282	0	3,158	(3,158)	-3.1%		
242320	1996	148,447	0	9,716	(9,716)	-6.5%		
242320	1997	557,546	0	14,437	(14,437)	-2.6%		
Band	90-97	2,547,070	32,772	115,338	(82,566)	-3.2%	-10%	-9%
242410	1990	409,744	0	10,062	(10,062)	-2.5%		
242410	1991	1,535,253	0	3,425	(3,425)	-0.2%		
242410	1992	299,588	0	2,466	(2,466)	-0.8%		
242410	1993	398,763	5,677	8,114	(2,437)	-0.6%		
242410	1994	96,797	7,455	32,944	(25,489)	-26.3%		
242410	1995	93,605	240	2,081	(1,841)	-2.0%		
242410	1996	183,697	0	2,435	(2,435)	-1.3%		
242410	1997	25,687	0	42,725	(42,725)	-166.3%		
Band	90-97	3,043,134	13,372	104,253	(90,881)	-3.0%	-10%	-5%
242420	1990	14,596	0	164	(164)	-1.1%		
242420	1991	21,096	0	0	0	0.0%		
242420	1992	6,473	0	712	(712)	-11.0%		
242420	1993	0	0	0	0	ERR		
242420	1994	0	0	5,332	(5,332)	ERR		
242420	1995	0	0	79	(79)	ERR		
242420	1996	0	0	0	0	ERR		
242420	1997	0	0	0	0	ERR		
Band	90-97	42,166	0	6,287	(6,287)	-14.9%	-10%	-5%
242600	1990	25,287	0	1,016	(1,016)	-4.0%		
242600	1991	132,037	335	2,998	(2,663)	-2.0%		
242600	1992	177,557	33,696	2,340	31,356	17.7%		
242600	1993	60,684	14,590	0	14,590	24.0%		
242600	1994	121,790	13,155	35,657	(22,502)	-18.5%		
242600	1995	26,453	4,480	555	3,925	14.8%		
242600	1996	917,360	6,284	3,097	3,187	0.3%		
242600	1997	11,697	523	484	39	0.3%		
Band	90-97	1,472,865	73,063	46,147	26,915	1.8%	-10%	-10%

GTE FLORIDA - Salvage Data 1990-1997

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Account	Year	Retirements	Gross Salvage	Cost Of Removal	Net Salvage	FNS %	GTE FNS	FCC FNS
243100	1990	0	0	20,317	(20,317)	ERR		
243100	1991	0	0	3,239	(3,239)	ERR		
243100	1992	0	24,633	14,243	10,390	ERR		
243100	1993	0	0	2,017	(2,017)	ERR		
243100	1994	2,017	0	41,970	(41,970)	-2080.8%		
243100	1995	34,237	0	79,877	(79,877)	-233.3%		
243100	1996	71,800	0	104,354	(104,354)	-145.3%		
243100	1997	127,791	0	174,394	(174,394)	-136.5%		
Band	90-97	235,845	24,633	440,411	(415,778)	-176.3%	-10%	-7%
244100	1990	4,482	0	231,505	(231,505)	-5165.7%		
244100	1991	11,019	0	223,445	(223,445)	-2027.9%		
244100	1992	4,581,377	0	275,152	(275,152)	-6.0%		
244100	1993	948,050	0	344,365	(344,365)	-36.3%		
244100	1994	295,754	0	774,164	(774,164)	-261.8%		
244100	1995	85,265	10	506,377	(506,367)	-593.9%		
244100	1996	230,704	0	630,240	(630,240)	-273.2%		
244100	1997	525,234	2,500	814,348	(811,848)	-154.6%		
Band	90-97	6,681,885	2,510	3,799,596	(3,797,086)	-56.8%	-10%	-10%

GTEFL Forecast of Additions and Retirements 1998 to 2000
(000)

1998 Additions	1998 Retirements	1999 Additions	1999 Retirements	2000 Additions	2000 Retirements
REDACTED		REDACTED		REDACTED	

These forecasts are at a total plant level, and are from a strategic plan and not tied to specific plans or projects. They are largely a result of allocations.

**GTEFL Comparison of Copper Cable Actual Retirements
To Forecast Retirements
(000)**

Year	Aerial		Underground		Buried		Total	
	Forecast	Actual	Forecast	Actual	Forecast	Actual	Forecast	Actual
1993	3,689	6,992	7,487	5,410	18,334	14,457	29,510	26,859
1994	3,630	3,855	7,545	2,169	19,279	13,871	30,454	19,895
1995	6,550	2,817	5,819	1,072	9,098	9,966	21,267	13,855
1996	6,821	1,259	5,735	746	9,311	6,961	21,867	8,966
1997	7,003	3,055	5,827	2,163	9,488	14,123	22,348	19,341
Total	27,723	17,978	32,213	11,560	65,510	59,278	125,446	88,816

Note: 1993 & 1994 forecasts are from the 1992 FCC Depreciation Study
1995 - 1997 forecasts are from the 1994 FCC Depreciation Study

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that copies of the Late-Filed Deposition Exhibits of Allen E. Sovereign on behalf of GTE Florida Incorporated in Docket No. 980696-TP were sent via overnight mail on October 6, 1998(*) and U.S. mail on October 7, 1998, to the parties on the attached list.

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