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Ms. Blanco Bayo, Director of Division of Records and Recording Florida Public Service Commission Capitol Circle Office Center 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0859 99 JUN 14 PN 8.1 MAIL ROOM

RE: Docket No. 981808-TI Corporate Reorganization of Citizens Public Utilities.

Dear Ms. Bayo:

On December 3, 1998, Citizens Utilities Company ("Citizens"), Citizen's Telecommunications Company and Electric Lightwave advised the Florida Public Service Commission of the plan to separate Citizens' telecommunications and public services business into two different companies. In light of changed circumstances, those parties hereby notify the Commission that the proposed separation will not take place.

On May 27, Citizens, the parent company of the other parties, announced its agreement to purchase approximately 200,000 access lines from GTE Corporation for a purchase price of \$664 million. The company expects to temporarily fund the transaction with either its cash and investment balances or with committed bank credit facilities. Permanent funding of this and other potential access line purchases, however, will come from the sale or other disposition of certain of Citizens' public services properties. To enable the company to accomplish these objectives, Citizens no longer plans to separate its telecommunications and public services businesses in the manner described in the December 3, 1998 notification.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact our Director of Government Affairs:

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