

GTE SERVICE CORPORATION

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Kimberly Caswell Counsel

July 3, 2000

Ms. Blanca S. Bayo, Director Division of Records & Reporting Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

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Dear Ms. Bayo:

This is a request for the Commission to amend GTE Florida Incorporated's certificates to reflect its new corporate name. GTE Florida Incorporated holds certificate numbers 31 (as a local exchange company; Commission company code reference TL710) and 4962 (as a pay telephone service provider; Commission company code reference TF859). The name on these certificates is to be changed from GTE Florida Incorporated to Verizon Florida Inc. The new name has been properly registered with the Florida Department of State, Division of Corporations (see attached).

Also attached are labels to be affixed to GTE Florida Incorporated's existing tariffs so that GTE Florida Incorporated's name can be replaced with Verizon Florida Inc.'s name.

I understand that the Commission will issue an order acknowledging the name changes. The Company plans to begin using the new name on August 1, 2000. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT TO ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF

GTE FLORIDA INCORPORATED

(present name)

Pursuant to the provisions of section 607.1006, Florida Statutes, this Florida profit corporation adopts the following articles of amendment to its articles of incorporation:

FIRST: Amendment(s) adopted: (indicate article number(s) being amended, added or deleted)

Article First is hereby amended to read as follows:

First: The name of the corporation is Verizon Florida Inc.

SECOND: If an amendment provides for an exchange, reclassification or cancellation of issued shares, provisions for implementing the amendment if not contained in the amendment itself, are as follows:

THIRD: The date of each amendment's adoption: June 15, 2000

FOURTH: Adoption of Amendment(s) (CHECK ONE)

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- The amendment(s) was/were approved by the shareholders. The number of votes cast for the amendment(s) was/were sufficient for approval.
- The amendment(s) was/were approved by the shareholders through voting groups. The following statement must be separately provided for each voting group entitled to vote separately on the amendment(s):

"The number of votes cast for the amendment(s) was/were sufficient for approval by _____ voting group

- The amendment(s) was/were adopted by the board of directors without shareholder action and shareholder action was not required.
- The amendment(s) was/were adopted by the incorporators without shareholder action and shareholder action was not required.

Signed this 30th day of june 2000

Signature

Chairman of the Board of Directors, President or other officer if adopted by (By the Chairman the shareholders)

OR

(By a director if adopted by the directors)

OR

(By an incorporator if adopted by the incorporators)

Rosalynn Christian

Typed or printed name

Assistant Secretary

Title

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