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August 19, 2009 - VIA OVERNIGHT MAIL

Ann Cole, Commission Clerk Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Re: Docket No. 080278-TL

Joint Petition for show cause proceedings against Verizon Florida LLC for apparent violation of Rule 25-4.070, F.A.C., service availability, and impose fines, by the Office of the Attorney General, Citizens of the State of Florida, and AARP

Dear Ms. Cole:

Enclosed for filing in the above matter are an original and 15 copies of the Rebuttal Testimonies of Russell B. Diamond, Deborah B. Kampert and Michelle A. Robinson on behalf of Verizon Florida LLC together with a diskette with copies of the testimonies in Word format. Also enclosed are an original and 15 copies of a Request for Confidential Classification and Motion for Protective Order in connection with the testimonies.

Service has been made as indicated on the Certificate of Service. If there are any questions regarding this filing, please contact me at (678) 259-1449.

Sincerely,

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This confidentiality request was filed by or for a "telco" for DN <u>**08680-01**</u>. No ruling is required unless the material is subject to a request per 119.07, FS, or is admitted in the record per Rule 25-22.006(8)(b), FAC.

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### BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Joint Petition for show cause proceedings ) against Verizon Florida LLC for apparent violation of ) Rule 25-4.070, F.A.C., service availability, and ) impose fines, by the Office of the Attorney General, ) Citizens of the State of Florida, and AARP ) Docket No. 080278-TL Filed: August 20, 2009

## VERIZON FLORIDA LLC'S REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION AND MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER

Under Commission Rule 25-22.006, F.A.C., Verizon Florida LLC (Verizon) seeks

confidential classification and a protective order for information contained in the

Rebuttal Testimonies of Russell B. Diamond, Deborah B. Kampert and Michelle A.

Robinson filed on behalf of Verizon in this proceeding.

All of the information for which Verizon seeks confidential treatment falls within

Florida Statutes section 364.183(3), which defines "proprietary confidential business

information" as:

Information, regardless of form or characteristics, which is owned or controlled by the person or company, is intended to be and is treated by the person or company as private in that the disclosure of the information would cause harm to the ratepayers or the person's or company's business operations, and has not been disclosed unless disclosed pursuant to a statutory provision, an order of a court or administrative body, or private agreement that provides that the information will not be released to the public.

Florida Statutes section 364.183(3)(a) expressly provides that "trade secrets" fall within the definition of "proprietary confidential business information." Florida Statutes section 364.183(3)(e), further provides that "proprietary confidential business information" includes "information relating to competitive interests, the disclosure of which would impair the competitive business of the provider of information."

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If competitors were able to acquire this detailed and sensitive information regarding Verizon, they could more easily develop entry and marketing strategies to ensure success in competing with Verizon. This would afford them an unfair advantage while severely jeopardizing Verizon's competitive position. In a competitive business, any knowledge obtained about a competitor can be used to the detriment of the entity to which it pertains, often in ways that cannot be fully anticipated. This unfair advantage skews the operation of the market, to the ultimate detriment of the telecommunications consumer. Accordingly, Verizon respectfully requests that the Commission classify the identified information as confidential and enter an appropriate protective order.

While a ruling on this request is pending, Verizon understands that the information at issue is exempt from Florida Statutes section 119.07(1) and Staff will accord it the stringent protection from disclosure required by Rule 25-22.006(3)(d).

Highlighted copies of the confidential information are attached as Exhibit A. Two redacted copies of the confidential information are attached as Exhibit B. A detailed justification of the confidentiality of the information at issue is attached as Exhibit C.

Respectfully submitted on August 20, 2009.

By:

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## EXHIBIT C

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CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION	LINE(S)/COLUMN(S)	REASON
Rebuttal Testimony of Russell B.	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	This information concerns Verizon's
Diamond:		access line counts, staffing levels and
Page 16	Lines 11-17	internal repair performance data. This
		information is competitively sensitive,
Rebuttal Testimony of Michelle A.		confidential and proprietary business
Robinson:		information that has been confidentially
Page 9 Page 13	Lines 21-24 Lines 11-13	maintained by Verizon.
Exhibit MAR-1	All highlighted text	
Rebuttal Testimony of Deborah B.		
Kampert:		
Page 9	Lines 17-25	
Exhibit DBK-3	All highlighted text	

#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that copies of the foregoing were sent via electronic mail on August 20, 2009 to:

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DATE: August 20, 2009

TO: Dulaney L. O'roark, III

FROM: **Ruth Nettles, Office of Commission Clerk** 

RE: Acknowledgement of Receipt of Confidential Filing

This will acknowledge receipt of a CONFIDENTIAL DOCUMENT filed in Docket Number 080278 or, if filed in an undocketed matter, concerning information contained in rebuttal testimonies of Russel B. Diamond, Deborah B. Kampert, and Micheele A. Robinson, and filed on behalf of Verizon. The document will be maintained in locked storage.

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