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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:

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Enclosed for filing are an original and 15 copies of Verizon Florida LLC's Request for Confidential Classification and Motion for Protective Order in connection with the Rebuttal Testimony of Earl Poucher filed on behalf of the Citizens of the State of Florida in this proceeding. 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.

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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: November 4, 2009 |
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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 Testimony of Earl Poucher filed on behalf of the Citizens of the State of Florida 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).

A highlighted copy of the confidential information is 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 November 4, 2009.

By:

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EXHIBIT C

| CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION | LINE(S)/COLUMN(S) | REASON |
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| Rebuttal Testimony of Earl Poucher: | | This information includes |
| Page 3 | Line 10 | internal management |
| Page 8 | Lines 10-12 | communications, budget |
| Page 9 | Line 3 | information, analysis and |
| Page 10 | Line 9 | information relating to Verizon's |
| Page 11 | Lines 21-24 | internal operations and |
| Page 12 | Lines 1, 8-11, 17-18 | operating procedures. This |
| Page 13 | Lines 2, 4-8, 16-17, 20 | information is competitively |
| Page 15 | Lines 22, 25 | sensitive, confidential and |
| Page 16 | Lines 5, 7, 9-11 | proprietary business information |
| VZ 517 – VZ 518 | All highlighted text | that has been confidentially maintained by Verizon. |
| Exhibit REP-7, p. 3 of 3 | All highlighted text | |
| VZ 539 – VZ 540 | All highlighted text | |
| VZ 607 – VZ 608 | All highlighted text | |
| VZ 1985 | All highlighted text | |
| VZ 1595 – VZ 1596 | All highlighted text | |
| VZ 1598 | All highlighted text | |
| VZ 1919 – VZ 1920 | All highlighted text | |
| VZ 578 – VZ 585 | All highlighted text | |
| Exhibit REP-15, p. 3 of 3 | All highlighted text | |
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that copies of the foregoing were sent via electronic mail on November 4, 2009 to:

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| TO: | Dulaney O'roark I I I, Verizon |
| FROM: | Ruth Nettles, Office of Commission Clerk |
| RE: | Acknowledgement of Receipt of Confidential Filing |
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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 testimony of Earl Poucher filed on behalf of Citizens of the State of Florida, and filed on behalf of Verizon. The document will be maintained in locked storage.

If you have any questions regarding this document, please contact Kim Peña, Records Management Assistant, at (850) 413-6393.

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