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Dear Ms. Cole:

Attached for filing in the referenced Docket, please find Bright House Networks Information Services (Florida), LLC's Motion to Temporarily Suspend Procedural Schedule.

As always, please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns. Thank you for your assistance with this filing.

Sincerely,

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# BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Complaint against Verizon Florida, LLC and MCI Communications Services, Inc. d/b/a Verizon Business Services for failure to pay intrastate access charges for the origination and termination of intrastate interexchange telecommunications service by Bright House Networks Information Services (Florida), LLC

Docket No. 110056-TP

# MOTION TO TEMPORARILY SUSPEND PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Bright House Networks Information Services (Florida), LLC, ("Bright House") hereby files this motion asking that the procedural schedule in this matter be suspended. Bright House makes this request in recognition of the fact that Bright House and MCI Communications Services Inc. d/b/a Verizon Business Services ("Verizon") (together jointly referred to herein as "Parties") have reached an agreement in principle to resolve the dispute that is the subject of this Docket but require some additional time to finalize the settlement such that this proceeding can be terminated. In support of this motion, Bright House states the following:

- The initial Order Establishing Procedure in this docket, Order No. PSC-11-0417-PCO-TP, was issued September 27, 2011.
- 2. On October 27, 2011, the FCC adopted its Report and Order and Notice of Proposed Rulemaking ("Order") addressing comprehensive reforms to the Universal Service Fund and Intercarrier Compensation mechanisms. The complete text of the Order was subsequently issued on November 18, 2011. Bright House sought an extension of the date for filing Rebuttal Testimony by both parties until December 16, 2011. By Order No. PSC-11-0549-PCO-TP,

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Report and Order and Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, Order FCC 11-161, issued in WC Docket No. 10-90, GN Docket No. 09-51, WC Docket No. 07-135, WC Docket No. 05-337, CC Docket No. 01-92, CC Docket No. 96-45, WC Docket No. 03-109, WT Docket No. 10-208, November 18, 2011.

issued November 30, 2011, the Prehearing Officer granted the requested extension.

- Thereafter, based on their analysis and review of the FCC's recent order regarding intercarrier compensation, the parties engaged in initial discussions geared towards the development of a possible settlement of the matters in dispute in this Docket. While the discussions were, at the time, in their infancy, both Parties agreed that allowing the parties an additional extension of the date for filing Rebuttal Testimony would afford a better opportunity to further the settlement discussions in an effort to reach a mutually acceptable resolution. Consequently, by Order No. 11-0577-PCO-TP issued December 16, 2011, the Prehearing Officer granted the Parties an additional extension of the date for filing Rebuttal Testimony until January 4, 2012.
- 4. Over the past two weeks, the Parties have engaged in additional settlement discussions. Bright House is now pleased to report that the discussions have been fruitful and that the Parties have achieved a settlement in principle, which assuming it is successfully finalized would resolve all issues in this case.
- 5. Counsel for each of the Parties, however, require some additional time to iron out the details of the settlement agreement. Both Parties believe that their time would be better spent focusing on crafting the final documentation of the settlement without the distraction of also having to prepare the pre-filed testimony and other filings necessary for this case to proceed to hearing under the current schedule. Thus, Bright House requests that all remaining filing dates, as well as the scheduled prehearing and hearing dates, be temporarily suspended to allow the Parties to focus on finalizing the settlement of this matter. The Parties anticipate

that, once the settlement is finalized, Bright House will ask that its Complaint be dismissed. In the unlikely event that the Parties are unable to finalize the terms of the settlement to their mutual satisfaction, the Parties will notify the Commission and would ask that a new hearing schedule be established.

6. Counsel for Bright House has discussed this request with counsel for Verizon and can represent that Verizon consents to this motion.

WHEREFORE, Bright House respectfully requests that the Commission approve its request to suspend the remaining schedule established for this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted this 3rd day of January, 2012,

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