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September 30, 1997

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Re: Docket No. STARRALL

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced docket are the original and 15 copies of the First Motion to Compel Against Intercontinental Communications Group, Inc. by the Attorney General and the Citizens of Florida.

Please indicate the time and date of receipt on the enclosed duplicate of this letter and return it to our office.

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In re: Proposed Rule 25-24.845,	)	

## FIRST MOTION TO COMPEL AGAINST INTERCONTINENTAL COMMUNICATIONS GROUP, INC. BY THE ATTORNEY GENERAL AND THE CITIZENS OF FLORIDA

Robert A. Butterworth, Attorney General ("Attorney General") and the Citizens of Florida ("Citizens"), by and through Jack Shreve, Public Counsel, move the Florida Public Service Commission to enter an order requiring Intercontinental Communications Group, Inc. ("ICLD") to produce each of the documents requested in the First Set of Requests for Production of Documents by the Attorney General and the Citizens. In support of this

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- 2. In its general objection, ICLD objects to responding to any discovery request in this docket because it is not a party. This matter has already been presented to the Commission at the agenda conference where the Commission decided to merge the Commission's undocketed rule proceeding with the joint petition by the Attorney General and the Citizens for an investigation into slamming. At that agenda conference the Attorney General and the Citizens specifically asked for clarification that all telecommunications companies holding a certificate from the Commission would be subject to discovery in this docket. The staff agreed with this interpretation, and the Commission questioned staff about it. There was no disagreement by the Conmission or by any other entity appearing before the Commission at agenda conference. Had the Commission not decided to allow discovery to all telephone companies in this docket, the Attorney General and the Citizens would have never agreed to proceeding as proposed by staff. Since this matter has already been addressed by the Commission, the objection by ICLD should be denied.
- 3. ICLD objects to Request No. 1 on the grounds it is overly broad, unduly burdensome, and seeks disclosure of information not relevant nor likely to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence. It also objects to the extent it seeks privileged information. ICLD provides absolutely no example or instance showing where the request is overly broad, unduly burdensome, or seeks information not relevant nor likely to lead to discovery of admissible evidence. Nor does it show any instance where its documents would be privileged. Since ICLD was unable to provide even one instance or example

showing how the request was overly broad, unduly burdensome, or sought documents not relevant nor likely to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence, the objection should be denied. With respect to its claim of privilege, ICLD must identify the document or documents it claims to be privileged, and at that point the Attorney General and the Citizens will decide whether to seek an *in camera* inspection of the documents to determine the validity or extent of the privilege.

- 4. ICLD likewise makes specific objections to Requests Nos. 2 thru 13 on identical grounds. In no instance whatsoever has ICLD made any attempt to provide a specific example how its objection would apply to the discovery request, nor does it provide any analysis showing why the objection would apply to the request. These are simply boilerplate objections filed by ICLD without giving any specific reason for the objection. Since ICLD has been unable to provide any specific reason, example or analysis for its objection, it should be denied.
- 5. The documents requested by the Attorney General's and Citizens' First Request for Production of Documents to ICLD are due to be produced on or before October 16, 1997. Accordingly, the Attorney General and the Citizens request the Commission to make a ruling prior to that date requiring ICLD to provide all of the requested documents.

Respectfully submitted,

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