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October 30, 2006 - VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Ms. Blanca S. Bayo, Director Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Re: Docket No. 020960-TP Petition for Arbitration of open issues resulting from interconnection negotiations with Verizon Florida Inc. by DIECA Communications, Inc. d/b/a Covad Communications Company

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing in the above matter is a Joint Motion for Extension of Time on behalf of Verizon Florida Inc. and DIECA Communications, Inc. d/b/a Covad Communications Company. Service has been made as indicated on the Certificate of Service. If there are any questions regarding this filing, please contact me at 770-284-5498.

Sincerely,

s/ Dulaney L. O'Roark III

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Enclosures

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing Joint Motion for Extension of Time in

Docket No. 020960-TP were sent via U.S. mail on October 30, 2006 to

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In re: Petition for Arbitration of open issues) resulting from interconnection negotiations with Verizon Florida Inc. by DIECA Communications, Inc. d/b/a Covad **Communications Company**

Docket No. 020960-TP Filed: October 30, 2006

JOINT MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Verizon Florida Inc. (Verizon) and DIECA Communications, Inc. d/b/a Covad Communications Company (Covad) hereby jointly move that the Commission extend the time to file an interconnection agreement in this arbitration proceeding until March 2, 2007.

Finalizing contract language has been a more comprehensive effort than expected because the parties have had to review previously agreed-upon language, incorporate language stemming from the Final Order on Arbitration, Order No. PSC-03-1139-FOF-TP issued on October 13, 2003, and incorporate TRO/TRRO related changes along with rulings on disputed TRO/TRRO amendment language issued in the Order on Arbitration in Docket No. 040156-TP, Order No. PSC-06-0212-FOF-TP, released March 15, 2006. The parties have made significant progress in agreeing upon a new interconnection agreement and have expended a great deal of time and effort in the following areas:

- Existing contract A thorough review of previously agreed-upon contract language has been undertaken to ensure it conforms to current business practices. That review has generated numerous agreed-upon changes.
- Order on Arbitration The parties have been reviewing and incorporating language that conforms to interconnection arbitration Order No. PSC-03-1139-FOF-TP issued on October 13, 2003.
- TRO/TRRO amendment language The parties are incorporating TRO/TRRO related changes along with language to incorporate disputed language issues resolved in the Order on Arbitration in Docket No. 040156-TP, Order No. PSC-06-0212-FOF-TP.

Given the complexity of this effort and the willingness of both parties to continue to work toward an agreed-upon conforming agreement, Verizon and Covad respectfully request that the Commission extend the time for filing their agreement until March 2, 2007. Because both parties join in this request, no party will be prejudiced by this extension.

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons, Verizon and Covad respectfully request that the Commission extend the time for filing an executed, conforming amendment to March 2, 2007.

Respectfully submitted on October 30, 2006.

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