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Nocatee Development Company, Sonoc Company, LLC, Toll Jacksonville Limited Partnership, Plute Home Corporation and Parc Group, Inc.'s ("Nocatee") Prehearing Statement

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Ms. Ann Cole, Director Commission Clerk and Administrative Services Room 110, Easley Building Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Re: Docket No. 060822-TL

Dear Ms. Cole:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of Nocatee Development Company, SONOC Company, LLC, Toll Jacksonville Limited Partnership, Pulte Home Corporation and Parc Group, Inc. ("Nocatee") is Nocatee's Prehearing Statement in the above referenced docket.

Thank you for your assistance with this filing.

Sincerely, Ø Fløyd R. Self

FRS/amb Enclosure cc: Lynn Pappas, Esq. Parties of Record

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.) for Relief from Carrier-of-Last-Resort Obligations) Pursuant to Florida Statutes §364.025(6)(d).)

Docket No. 060822-TL Date Filed: July 5, 2007

NOCATEE PREHEARING STATEMENT

Nocatee Development Company, SONOC Company, LLC, Toll Jacksonville Limited

Partnership, Pulte Home Corporation and Parc Group, Inc. ("Nocatee"), pursuant to Order No.

PSC-07-0473-PCO-TL, issued June 1, 2007, hereby submit their prehearing statement in the

above captioned matter.

A. APPEARANCES

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B. WITNESSES

Nocatee does not intend to call any witnesses, but reserves the right to call witnesses, if

necessary, as may be required by later filed testimony, completion of discovery, or new issues

identified at the prehearing conference.

C. EXHIBITS

Nocatee has not prefiled any exhibits, but reserves the right to introduce exhibits, if necessary, as may be required by cross examination, later filed testimony, completion of discovery, or new issues identified at the prehearing conference.

D. POSITION

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a AT&T Florida ("AT&T") AT&T and Nocatee negotiated for nearly a year a comprehensive agreement whereby AT&T would provide video, data, and voice telecommunications services throughout the entire Nocatee development. When AT&T was unable to deliver on its promises, Nocatee negotiated a video and data marketing agreement with Comcast for the private communities within Nocatee. Consequently, within the private subdivisions of Nocatee AT&T may install any facilities but AT&T may offer only voice telecommunications and voice-related telephone services. As for the public developments within Nocatee, there are no limitations on AT&T's ability to install facilities or provide services, and AT&T is proceeding on that basis within the public communities.

AT&T has not shown good cause to be relieved of its COLR obligations within Nocatee. Nocatee is not required under Florida law to pay any compensation to AT&T to build out its network within any part of the Nocatee development.

E. ISSUES OF FACT, LAW, AND POLICY AND JOINT PETITIONERS' POSITIONS

ISSUE 1: Under Section 364.025(6)(d), Florida Statutes, has AT&T Florida shown good cause to be relieved of its Carrier-of-Last-Resort obligation to provide service at the Coastal Oaks and Riverwood subdivisions in the Nocatee development located in Duval and St. Johns Counties?

NOCATEE'S POSITION:

AT&T has not shown good cause to be relieved of its COLR obligations within any part of Nocatee. If the waiver is granted, over 3,000 Nocatee homes, representing more than 3,000 individuals, will be denied voice telephone services, and the precedent here could serve to deny service to 5,000 to 7,000 homes that are to be built in the various private subdivisions. Regardless of whether AT&T has a COLR obligation within any or all of the private communities within Nocatee, Nocatee is not required under Florida law to pay any compensation to AT&T to build out its network within Nocatee.

In addressing this issue, there are two separate aspects that must be considered.

First, AT&T has not shown good cause to be relieved of its COLR obligation. AT&T's argument for a COLR waiver is based upon an incorrect understanding of the facts and an economic analysis that is flawed in several respects. AT&T ignores the fact that this is a network within a network – the private subdivisions are located within the larger Nocatee development, thus surrounded by the AT&T network. Moreover, the network being proposed is excessive and unnecessary for the efficient provision of voice telephone services unless it is considered a part of the overall, single AT&T local network. Likewise, the penetration analysis significantly understates the marketplace choices residents are likely to make. Further, any economic analysis predicated on the inability to provide data and/or video services cannot be considered by the Commission in a COLR analysis since this Commission is without jurisdiction over video and data services. If non-jurisdictional services are to be provided then customers will not receive voice telephone service because of AT&T's non-regulated business decisions that have nothing to do with voice telephony.

Second, there is no basis to require any compensation from Nocatee or its residents for the AT&T infrastructure to be built in the private communities. Whether there is a COLR obligation or not, the service being requested is the construction of a regulated, local voice

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telephone service network for an entire subdivision that is a part of the local, regulated telephone network being built within the overall Nocatee development. This is not a situation of a single customer who is located miles from the nearest phone line requesting service or a customer requesting some non-standard service. The fundamental question is whether AT&T has the obligation to build a residential local telephone network as it has done everywhere else within its service territory for the last 100 years. There is no "special construction" within the meaning of the Commission's rules or AT&T's tariff. The construction at issue is for the basic network itself. The request for service is not via a particular technology or in a special way. If this is special construction, then any local network that hereafter is to be constructed would be "special construction." If AT&T has no obligation to build this network at its own cost subject only to the usual new service connections charges that apply to every other customer, then the universal service goals of Florida law are meaningless. Without universal service, the ubiquitous public switched network will come to an end, to the detriment of customers not just within the private communities of Nocatee but to all customers everywhere.

F. STIPULATED ISSUES

None at this time.

G. PENDING MOTIONS

Nocatee does not have any pending motions.

H. PENDING REQUESTS OR CLAIMS FOR CONFIDENTIALITY

Nocatee has two pending claims for confidentiality. One claim was filed on February 14, 2007 with the response to Staff's Data Request NOC-1 and another claim was filed on February 28, 2007 with a revised response to Staff Data Request NOC-1.

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I. REQUIREMENTS THAT CANNOT BE COMPLIED WITH

None at this time.

J. DECISIONS PREEMPTING THE COMMISSION'S ABILITY TO RESOLVE THIS MATTER

None at this time.

K. OBJECTIONS TO WITNESSES QUALIFICATIONS AS AN EXPERT

None at this time.

Respectfully submitted.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been served on the following parties by Electronic Mail this 5th day of July, 2007.

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