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Attached for filing in Docket No. 070408-TP, please find Neutral Tandem's Unopposed Motion for Extension of Time to File Response to Level 3's Motion to Dismiss. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely, Beth Keating

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C. On behalf of Neutral Tandem, Inc. and Neutral Tandem-Florida, LLC

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Docket No. 070408-TP - Petition of Neutral Tandem, Inc. and Neutral Tandem-Florida, LLC for Resolution of Interconnection Dispute with Level 3 Communications and Request for Expedited Resolution

Dear Ms. Cole:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced Docket, please find Neutral Tandem's Unopposed Motion for Extension of Time to File its Response to Level 3's Motion to Dismiss.

Your assistance in this matter is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions whatsoever, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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#### BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition of Neutral Tandem, Inc. for Resolution of Interconnection Dispute with Level 3 Communications and Request for Expedited Resolution Docket No. 070408-TP

Filed: July 27, 2007

#### NEUTRAL TANDEM, INC. AND NEUTRAL TANDEM-FLORIDA, LLC'S UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE RESPONSE TO LEVEL 3 COMMUNICATIONS, LLC'S MOTION TO DISMISS

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Neutral Tandem, Inc. and Neutral Tandem-Florida, LLC (hereafter "Neutral Tandem"), by and through its undersigned counsel, hereby moves for a brief extension of time for filing its Response in Opposition the Motion to Dismiss filed by Level 3 Communications, LLC ("Level 3"). Neutral Tandem also requests that the time for the filing and service of its Response be tolled pending a ruling on this Motion. In support of this request, Neutral Tandem states as follows:

1. On Wednesday, July 25, 2007, counsel for Neutral Tandem received a copy of Level 3's Motion to Dismiss and Response to Petition of Neutral Tandem, Inc. and Neutral Tandem-Florida, LLC, for Resolution of Interconnection Dispute and Request for Expedited Resolution. Under Rules 25-22.0365(9)(c), 28-106.103, and 28-106.204(1), Neutral Tandem's Response would be due to be filed and served on August 1, 2007.

2. Counsel for Neutral Tandem has a number of commitments over the next several days, including participation in a formal hearing in Minnesota regarding Neutral Tandem's dispute with Level 3 in that State. Similarly, local counsel is scheduled for work-related travel, as well as meetings and preparation for the August 1, 2007, workshop pertaining to Dockets Nos. 070298-EI and 070299-EI.

3. Level 3's Motion raises a number of arguments that Neutral Tandem intends to address as expeditiously as possible. However, in light of current commitments of both Florida counsel and chief counsel for Neutral Tandem, additional time is needed to prepare a complete response to Level 3's Motion. Neutral Tandem seeks an extension of two days, until August 3, 2007, to file its Response. Neutral Tandem will endeavor to file its Response sooner if at all possible given these circumstances.

4. Counsel for Neutral Tandem has conferred with counsel for Level 3 and is authorized to represent that Level 3 has no objection to this Request.

Wherefore, for all of the foregoing reasons, Neutral Tandem respectfully requests that the Prehearing Officer grant this Motion, allowing Neutral Tandem an additional two days to file its Response to Level 3's Motion to Dismiss on August 3, 2007.

Respectfully submitted,

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#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been served via U.S. Mail First Class and Electronic Mail to Kenneth Hoffman, Esquire, Rutledge, Ecenia, Purnell, and Hoffman, P.A., 215 South Monroe Street, Suite 420, Tallahassee, FL 32301 (ken@reuphlaw.com), and that a copy has also been provided to the persons listed below this 27th day of July, 2007:

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