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January 4, 2008 – **VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL**

Ann Cole, Commission Clerk
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Re: Docket No. 080008-OT
Applications for Qualified Representative Status

Dear Ms. Cole:

Enclosed for filing in the above matter is Verizon Florida LLC's Request for Qualified Representative Status for Dulaney L. O'Roark III. If there are any questions regarding this filing, please contact me at 727-360-3241.

Sincerely,

s/ Kimberly Caswell

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Enclosures

c: Patrick K. Wiggins, Attorney Supervisor (w/e)
Florida Public Service Commission

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Applications for qualified representative) Docket No. 080008-OT
status) Filed: January 4, 2008
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REQUEST FOR QUALIFIED REPRESENTATIVE STATUS

Pursuant to Rule 28-106.107, Florida Administrative Code, Verizon Florida LLC (Verizon) requests that Dulaney L. O’Roark III, Vice President and General Counsel-Southeast Region, be named a qualified representative of Verizon in all docketed and undocketed matters opened during the next twelve months. Verizon is aware that it can be represented by counsel as defined in Rule 28-106.106, Florida Administrative Code, and has chosen otherwise.

Attached hereto is a sworn affidavit setting forth Mr. O’Roark’s qualifications. Mr. O’Roark’s address is Post Office Box 110, MC FLTC0007, Tampa, Florida 33601-0110, telephone number (678) 259-1449.

WHEREFORE, Verizon respectfully requests that the Florida Public Service Commission grant this request.

Respectfully submitted on January 4, 2008.

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AFFIDAVIT OF DULANEY L. O'ROARK III

I, Dulaney L. O'Roark III, being first duly sworn, state that:

1. I am currently employed by Verizon Florida LLC ("Verizon") as Vice President and General Counsel-Southeast Region. My address is Post Office Box 110, MC FLTC0007, Tampa, Florida 33601-0110, telephone number (678) 259-1449.

2. I possess the necessary qualifications to responsibly represent Verizon's interests in all docketed and undocketed matters before the Florida Public Service Commission.

3. I am an attorney admitted to practice and a member in good standing of the State Bar of Georgia, Bar No. 553870, and of the Virginia State Bar (associate member), Bar No. 28148. I have practiced extensively before this and other utility regulatory agencies or authorities. I have knowledge of the Florida Statutes relating to the Commission's jurisdiction. I have knowledge of the Florida Rules of Civil Procedure relating to discovery in an administrative proceeding. I also have knowledge of the Florida Administrative Code and Florida Statutes relating to the rules of evidence, including the concept of hearsay in an administrative proceeding. I have acquired or will acquire knowledge of the factual and legal issues in these matters and have knowledge of and am in compliance with the Standards of Conduct for Qualified Representatives contained in Rule 28-106.107, Florida Administrative Code.

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STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF HILLSBOROUGH

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 4th day of January, 2008.

Teresa Ann Scobie

Notary Public, State of Florida

My Commission Expires:

