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Sincerely,

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Dear Ms. Cole:

Enclosed for electronic filing in the above-referenced Docket, please find Neutral Tandem's Notice of Voluntary Dismissal of Petition.

Thank you for assistance in this matter. If you have any questions whatsoever, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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

Filed: June 12, 2008

NEUTRAL TANDEM'S NOTICE OF VOLUNTARY DISMISSAL OF PETITION

Petitioner, Neutral Tandem, Inc. and Neutral Tandem-Florida, LLC (collectively "Neutral Tandem"), hereby respectfully submits this Notice of Voluntary Dismissal, without prejudice, of its Petition in this Docket. By this Notice, Neutral Tandem withdraws its Petition filed July 11, 2007, and respectfully requests that this Docket be closed. In support of this Notice, Neutral Tandem states the following:

1. Neutral Tandem and Level 3 Communications have reached a negotiated settlement of the dispute that served as the basis for Neutral Tandem's complaint.

2. The negotiated settlement between Neutral Tandem and Level 3 resolves all issues currently before the Commission for resolution in this proceeding.

3. Neutral Tandem is authorized to represent that Level 3 agrees that voluntary dismissal, without prejudice, is appropriate in this circumstance. Neutral Tandem is further authorized to represent that Level 3 no longer requires a ruling on its pending Motion for Interim Compensation and its Amended Motion for Interim Compensation and agrees that said Motion and Amended Motion may be deemed moot with no ruling on the merits.

4. The Florida Commission has recognized, time and again, the right of a petitioner to take a voluntary dismissal is absolute, and that once the voluntary dismissal is taken, the trial court, in this instance the Commission, loses its jurisdiction to act. <u>See</u> Order No. PSC-02-1559-

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FOF-TP; Order No. PSC-01-0082-FOF-EI; Order No. PSC-07-0485-FOF-EI; citing Fears v. Lunsford, 314 So. 2d 578, 579 (Fla. 1975); and <u>Randle-Eastern Ambulance Service, Inc. v.</u> Vasta, Elena, etc., 360 So. 2d 68, 69 (Fla. 1978).

THEREFORE, Neutral Tandem hereby respectfully requests that the Commission take the following action:

1. Accept this Notice of Voluntary Dismissal, without prejudice;

2. Deem all pending Motions moot and thus, not requiring a ruling;

- 3. Return all confidential materials to the respective parties; and
- 4. Close this Docket,

Respectfully submitted,

NEUTRAL TANDEM, INC.

By:

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been served via Electronic Mail and Hand Delivery to Martin McDonnell, Esquire, Rutledge, Ecenia, Purnell, and Hoffman, P.A., 215 South Monroe Street, Suite 420, Tallahassee, FL 32301, and that an electronic copy has also been provided to the persons listed below on June 12, 2008:

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