

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In re: Application for an original certificate )  
to provide interexchange telecommuni- )  
cations service by USCarrier Telecom, )  
LLC. )  
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Docket No. 000302-TI

Filed: March 31, 2000

**USCARRIER TELECOM, LLC'S  
REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION**

USCarrier Telecom, LLC ("USCarrier"), by and through its undersigned counsel and pursuant to Rule 25-22.006(4), Florida Administrative Code, files this Request for Confidential Classification, and states:

1. On March 10, 2000, USCarrier filed an Application for an Original Certificate to Provide Interexchange Telecommunications Service ("Application"), together with a Notice of Intent to Request Confidential Classification ("Notice of Intent"). As stated in the Notice of Intent, Exhibit 4 to the Application contains proprietary confidential business information.

2. Appended to this Request for Confidential Classification as Attachment A is a listing of pages of the Application where the confidential material is found, and a description of the material.

3. Appended to this Request as Attachment B are two copies of the Application with the confidential information redacted.

4. Appended to this Request as Attachment C in a sealed envelope marked "Confidential" is one copy of the Application, with the confidential information in Exhibit 4 highlighted.

This confidentiality request was filed by or for a "telco" for DN 04004-00. No ruling is required unless the material is subject to a request per 119.07, FS, or is admitted in the record per Rule 25-22.006(8)(b), FAC.

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5. The material for which confidential classification is requested by USCarrier consists of its 1999 financial statement and related financial information concerning its predecessor, Georgia Independent Telco Group, L.L.C.; estimates of USCarrier's 1999 and 2000 spending plans for the lease and/or construction of its interstate network; and statements concerning lines of credit and financing available to USCarrier. Public disclosure of this information may or would harm the competitive interests of USCarrier in carrying out its business plan for the expansion of its interstate network and marketing of services. This information is used by USCarrier in conducting its business and is treated by it as confidential, and should be classified as proprietary confidential business information pursuant to Section 366.093(3), Florida Statutes.

6. USCarrier has treated and intends to treat the information for which it requests confidential classification as private, and this information has not been disclosed publicly.

7. The original of this Request is being filed with the Division of Records and Reporting and a copy is being served on counsel of record.

WHEREFORE, USCarrier requests that the Commission enter an Order declaring the information described above and set forth in Attachment A to be proprietary business information that is entitled to confidential classification.

Respectfully submitted,



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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a copy of the foregoing USCarrier Telecom, LLC's Request for Confidential Classification was furnished to the following this 31<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2000:

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**Attachment A**

**Page(s)**

**Description**

Exhibit 4A, pages 1 through 19

1999 Financial Statement and related financial information concerning Georgia Independent Telco Group, L.L.C.

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Estimated spending in 1999 and 2000 for lease and/or construction of interstate network

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Available lines of credit and financing