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Mr. William F. Caton, Acting Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
Washington, DC 20554

Re: **Ex Parte - CC Docket No. 95-116 - Local Number Portability**

At the GTE *ex parte* visit on this matter with Susan McMaster, Melinda Littell and Jeannie Su of the Policy and Program Planning Division of the Common Carrier Bureau on October 1, 1996, a request was made to provide information on the cost savings which QoR might provide versus LRN. A confidential attachment to this letter contains that information.

The data in the attachment contains information which is confidential and disclosure to the public would likely cause competitive injury to GTE. See 5 U.S.C. §552(b)(4); National Parks and Conservation Ass'n v. Morton, 498 F.2d 765 (D.C. Cir. 1974); National Parks and Conservation Ass'n v. Kleppe, 547 F.2d 673 (D.C. Cir. 1976). The information contains projected data that could reveal the company's proprietary business plans. Disclosure of this information could place GTE at a competitive disadvantage, particularly involving these services subject to significant competition. Competitors or potential competitors could use the information to identify operational and business plans. Accordingly, pursuant to Section 0.459 of the Commission's Rules, GTE respectfully requests that the attached information be treated as confidential and not made available for public inspection.

The data demonstrates that there are significant savings for deployment of QoR in the GTE network. As GTE has noted before, QoR would not have any perceptible impact on post dial delay or other service quality factors.

Two copies of this notice are filed in accordance with Section 1.1206(a)(1) of the Commission's Rules.

Sincerely,

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Director - Regulatory Affairs

C: Susan McMaster  
Jeannie Su  
Melinda Littell

Attachment provided only to Policy and Program Planning Division.

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