

**Request for Confidential Treatment of Financial and Demand Material
Transmittal No. 31
January 31, 2008**

The BOCs respectfully request that Tables 2A, 2B, 7 and 8 transmitted with Transmittal No. 31 be accorded confidential treatment. The BOCs request confidentiality and will make the Tables available to those signing a nondisclosure agreement, pursuant to the Commission's Order in GC Docket No. 96-55, 13 FCC Rcd 24816 (1998). In support whereof, the BOCs submit that:

- 1) the tables for which confidential treatment is sought consist of spreadsheets with privileged and detailed information regarding historical and projected revenue and expense financial data and historical and projected demand data provided in such detail that vendor specific data may be obtained. This information is not otherwise publicly available and has not been previously disclosed nor is it easily discernable from other public information;
- 2) the tables support information provided in conjunction with the BOCs' tariff filing, filed as Transmittal No. 31, to revise certain rates and make changes in the SMS/800 Tariff F.C.C. No. 1;
- 3) the subject information contains financial projections that are of a highly-privileged nature and disclosure of the material to the public would risk revealing competitively-sensitive proprietary information and could subject the BOCs and their vendors to competitive harm;
- 4) the BOCs do not make this information publicly available; and,
- 5) this material, because of its highly sensitive financial nature, is not routinely available for public inspection. It has not been previously disclosed nor is it easily discernable from other public information. The public interest would not be prejudiced by protection of this information.