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January 22, 2010

Charles B. Welch, Jr., Counsel Farris Matthews Bobango PLC 618 Church Street, Suite 300 Nashville, TN 37219

RE: Docket 10-00009: Petition of Level 3 Communications, LLC for Approval to Participate in a Financing Arrangement

Dear Mr. Welch:

In order to analyze the above-referenced *Petition*, the Tennessee Regulatory Authority requires additional information. Please provide the information requested below by January 29, 2010, and refer to this correspondence as Data Request No. 1 in the response.

- 1. Have the Petitioners applied for approval for financing from any federal agency? If so, what is the status of such petition or notification?
- 2. Provide a copy of the terms and conditions for the financing arrangement described in the *Petition*.
- 3. Will there be a change in the rates, terms or conditions of service as a result of the Petitioners' participation in the proposed financing arrangement?

If you have any questions or need further assistance, please call Carlos Black at 615-741-2904, ext. 196 or email him at Carlos.Black@tn.gov. Please respond by sending the original and 13 copies either by U.S. Mail or express mail. Alternatively, you may send the original and four (4) copies along with an electronic file to:

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Sincerely,

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