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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): May 24, 2007

Level 3 Communications, Inc.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	0-15658 (Commission File Number)	47-0210602 (IRS employer Identification No.)
1025 Eldorado Blvd., Broomfield, Colorado Address of principal executive offices)		80021 (Zip code)

720-888-1000
(Registrant's telephone number including area code)

Not applicable
(Former name and former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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- ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 5.03 Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year

On May 24, 2007, the Board of Directors of Level 3 Communications, Inc. ("Level 3") amended and restated Level 3's By-laws. These changes generally relate to the elimination of the Executive Committee as a standing committee of the Board of Directors, related conforming changes and certain other changes to conform the By-laws to the provisions of Level 3's amended Restated Certificate of Incorporation relating to the removal of directors. The amended and restated By-laws are effective as of May 24, 2007.

The descriptions of the changes to the Level 3 By-laws are qualified in their entirety by reference to the copy of the Amended and Restated By-laws filed as Exhibit 3(ii) to this Form 8-K, which is incorporated by reference as if set forth in full.

Item 8.01 Other Events

On May 24, 2007, the Board of Directors of Level 3 approved the following assignments for the Board of Director's three standing committee. These assignments are effective as of May 24, 2007.

Audit Committee:

Robert E. Julian
John T. Reed (Chairman)
Albert C. Yates

Compensation Committee:

Robert E. Julian
Richard R. Jaros (Chairman)
Arun Netravali

Nominating and Governance Committee

James O. Ellis, Jr. (Chairman)
John T. Reed
Michael B. Yanney

On May 24, 2007, Level 3 issued a press release announcing the results of the Level 3 2007 Annual Meeting of Stockholders. This press release is filed as exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K and is incorporated by reference as if set forth in full.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(a) Financial Statements of Business Acquired

None

(b) Pro Forma Financial Information

None

(c) Shell Company Transactions

None

(d) Exhibits

3(ii) Amended and Restated By-Laws of Level 3 Communications, Inc. dated May 24, 2007.

99.1 Press Release dated May 24, 2007

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, hereunto duly authorized.

Level 3 Communications, Inc.

By: /s/ Neil J. Eckstein
 Neil J. Eckstein, Senior Vice President

Date: May 31, 2007

**BY-LAWS
OF
LEVEL 3 COMMUNICATIONS, INC.**

**ARTICLE I.
OFFICES**

SECTION 1.1. REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT. The registered office of Level 3 Communications, Inc. (the "Corporation") is at 2711 Centerville Road Suite 400, Wilmington, New Castle County, Delaware, 19808. The registered agent at that address is Corporation Service Company.

SECTION 1.2. OTHER OFFICES. The Corporation may have other offices from time to time as the directors may designate or as the business may require.

**ARTICLE II.
STOCKHOLDERS**

SECTION 2.1. ANNUAL MEETINGS. The annual meeting of stockholders shall be held at such place, date, and time as is designated by the Board of Directors. At this meeting, directors shall be elected and any other proper business may be transacted.

SECTION 2.2. SPECIAL MEETINGS. Special meetings of the stockholders of the Corporation may be called for any purpose or purposes by the Chairman of the Board, the Chief Executive Officer, the President or by a majority of the directors. Business transacted at any special meeting of stockholders shall be limited to the purposes stated in the notice of the meeting.

SECTION 2.3. PLACE OF MEETINGS. Meetings of stockholders shall be held at such place, either within or without the State of Delaware, as shall be designated by those calling the meeting.

SECTION 2.4. NOTICES OF MEETINGS. A written notice shall be given to each stockholder entitled to vote at the meeting not less than 10 nor more than 60 days before each annual or special meeting. The notice shall state the place, date, and hour of the meeting. The notice of a special meeting shall state the purposes for which the meeting has been called. Written notices may be given by either personal delivery or mail. If mailed, notice is given when deposited in the United States mail, postage prepaid directed to the stockholder at his address as it appears on the records of the Corporation. No notice is required to be given to a stockholder to whom notices of two consecutive annual meetings (and any other written notice sent between those meetings) have been mailed addressed to that person at his address as shown on the corporate records and have been returned undeliverable.

SECTION 2.5. WAIVER OF NOTICE. A written waiver, signed by a stockholder, whether before or after an annual or special meeting, shall be equivalent to the

giving of such notice. Attendance by a stockholder, without objection to the notice, whether in person or by proxy, at an annual or special meeting shall constitute waiver of notice of such meeting.

SECTION 2.6. VOTING LIST. At least ten days before each stockholders' meeting, the Secretary shall prepare a complete list of stockholders entitled to vote at such meeting. Arranged in alphabetical order, the list shall show the name, address, and number of shares of each stockholder entitled to vote. For at least 10 days before the meeting, the list shall be open to the examination of any stockholder, for any purpose germane to the meeting, during ordinary business hours, at the principal business office of the Company located in Broomfield, Colorado. The list shall also be available at the meeting for inspection by any stockholder present.

SECTION 2.7. RECORD DATE. The Board of Directors may fix a record date to determine which stockholders are entitled to: (a) notice of a stockholders' meeting; (b) vote at a stockholders' meeting; (c) receive payment for a dividend; (d) receive a distribution or allotment of rights; (e) exercise any rights in respect of any change, conversion, or exchange of stock; or (f) notice for the purpose of any other lawful action. The record date shall not be less than 10 nor more than 60 days before any such action. A determination of stockholders of record entitled to notice of or to vote at a meeting of stockholders shall apply to any adjournment of the meeting; provided, however, that the Board of Directors may fix a new record date for the adjourned meeting.

SECTION 2.8. PROXY. Each stockholder eligible to vote may authorize another person or persons to act for him by proxy. No proxy shall be valid after three years from its date, unless the proxy provides for a longer period.

SECTION 2.9. VOTING RIGHTS. Unless otherwise provided in the Corporation's Restated Certificate of Incorporation, each stockholder eligible to vote shall have one vote for each share of capital stock held by such stockholder.

SECTION 2.10. QUORUM AND REQUIRED VOTE. A majority of the shares entitled to vote, present in person or represented by proxy, shall constitute a quorum at a meeting of stockholders. Unless otherwise required by the Corporation's Restated Certificate of Incorporation or by statute, the affirmative vote of the majority of shares present in person or represented by proxy at the meeting and entitled to vote on the subject matter shall be the act of the stockholders. However, if less than a quorum but more than one-third of all shares eligible to vote is present at a scheduled meeting, a majority of the shares present may adjourn the scheduled meeting.

SECTION 2.11. ADJOURNED MEETINGS. No new notice is required if the time and place of the adjourned meeting is announced at the meeting at which the adjournment is taken and if the adjournment is for not more than 30 days. At an adjourned meeting, the stockholders may transact any business which might have been transacted at the original meeting.

SECTION 2.12. NO ACTION WITHOUT A MEETING. Any action required or permitted at a stockholders' meeting may be taken only upon the vote of the stockholders at an annual or special meeting duly noticed and called, and may not be taken by a written consent of the stockholders.

SECTION 2.13. CONDUCT OF MEETINGS.

(a) The Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation shall preside at each meeting of the stockholders. In the absence of the Chief Executive Officer, the meeting shall be chaired by an other officer of the Corporation in accordance with the following order: Chairman of the Board, Vice Chairman, President, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President and any Vice President. In the absence of any of such officers, the meeting shall be chaired by a person chosen by a majority in interest of the stockholders present in person or represented by proxy and entitled to vote thereat, who shall act as chairman. The Secretary or in his or her absence an Assistant Secretary or a person whom the chairman of the meeting shall appoint shall act as secretary of the meeting and keep a record of the proceedings thereof.

(b) The Board of Directors shall be entitled to make such rules or regulations for the conduct of meeting of stockholders as it shall deem necessary, appropriate or convenient. Subject to such rules and regulations of the Board of Directors, if any, the chairman of the meeting shall have the right and authority to prescribe such rules, regulations and procedures and to do all such acts as, in the judgment of the chairman, are necessary, appropriate or convenient for the proper conduct of the meeting including, without limitation, establishing an agenda or order of business for the meeting, rules and procedures for maintaining order at the meeting and the safety of those present, limitations on participation in such meeting to stockholders of record of the Corporation and their duly authorized and constituted proxies, and such other persons as the chairman shall permit, restrictions on entry to the meeting after the time fixed for the commencement thereof, limitations on the time allotted to questions or comment by participants and regulation of the opening and closing of the ballot. Unless, and to the extent, determined by the Board of Directors or the chairman of the meeting, meetings of stockholders shall not be required to be held in accordance with rules of parliamentary procedure.

SECTION 2.14. ADVANCE NOTIFICATION OF BUSINESS TO BE TRANSACTED AT STOCKHOLDER MEETINGS.

(a) No business may be transacted at an annual meeting of stockholders, other than business that is either (a) specified in the notice of meeting (or any supplement thereto) given by or at the direction of the Board of Directors (or any duly authorized committee thereof), (b) otherwise properly brought before the annual meeting by or at the direction of the Board of Directors (or any duly authorized committee thereof) or (c) otherwise properly brought before the annual meeting by any stockholder of the Corporation (i) who is a stockholder of record on the date of the giving of the notice provided for in this section and on the record date for the determination of stockholders entitled to vote at such annual meeting and (ii) who complies with the notice procedures set forth in this section.

(b) In addition to any other applicable requirements for business to be properly brought before an annual meeting by a stockholder, such stockholder must have given timely notice thereof in proper written form to the Secretary.

(c) To be timely, a stockholder's notice to the Secretary must be delivered to or mailed and received at the principal executive office of the Corporation not less than 60 days nor more than 90 days prior to the anniversary date of the immediately preceding annual meeting of stockholders; provided, however, that in the event that the annual meeting is called for a date that is not within 30 days before or after such anniversary date, notice by the stockholder in order to be timely must be so received not later than the close of business on the tenth day following the day on which such notice of the date of the annual meeting was mailed or public disclosure of the date of the annual meeting was made, whichever first occurs.

(d) To be in proper written form, a stockholder's notice to the Secretary must set forth as to each matter such stockholder proposes to bring before the annual meeting (i) a brief description of the business desired to be brought before the annual meeting and the reasons for conducting such business at the annual meeting, (ii) the name and record address of such stockholder, (iii) the class or series and number of shares of capital stock of the Corporation which are owned beneficially or of record by such stockholder, (iv) a description of all arrangements or understandings between such stockholder and any other person or persons (including their names and addresses) in connection with the proposal of such business by such stockholder and any material interest of such stockholder in such business and (v) a representation that such stockholder intends to appear in person or by proxy at the annual meeting to bring such business before the meeting.

(e) No business shall be conducted at the annual meeting of stockholders except business brought before the annual meeting in accordance with the procedures set forth in this section; provided, however, that, once business has been properly brought before the annual meeting in accordance with such procedures, nothing in this section shall be deemed to preclude discussion by any stockholder of any such business. If the chairman of an annual meeting determines that business was not properly brought before the annual meeting in accordance with the foregoing procedures, the chairman shall declare to the meeting that the business was not properly brought before the meeting and such business shall not be transacted.

ARTICLE III. DIRECTORS

SECTION 3.1. GENERAL POWERS. The business and affairs of this Corporation shall be managed by its Board of Directors.

SECTION 3.2. NUMBER AND QUALIFICATIONS. The Board of Directors shall fix, by resolution from time to time, the number of directors which shall constitute the whole Board of Directors; provided, however, that such number shall be no fewer than six and no more than fifteen. Directors need not be stockholders.

SECTION 3.3. ELECTION AND TERM. Upon the original filing of the amendment to the Corporation's Restated Certificate of Incorporation that amends and restates

Article VII, Para. B to remove the classification of the Board of Directors, (the "Effective Time"), at each annual meeting of the stockholders of the Corporation subsequent to the Effective Time, the date of which shall be fixed by or pursuant to these By-laws, the successors of the class of directors whose terms expire at that meeting shall be elected to hold office for a term of one

(1) year and until such director's successor is elected and qualified or until such director's earlier resignation or removal; provided, however, that each director elected at the annual meetings of the Corporation held in 2004 and 2005 shall serve for the full three-year term to which such director was elected or until such director's earlier resignation or removal. No decrease in the number of directors constituting the Board of Directors shall shorten the term of any incumbent director.

SECTION 3.4. VACANCIES. Vacancies, however resulting, and newly created directorships resulting from any increase in the authorized number of directors may be filled by a majority of the directors then in office, although less than a quorum, or by a sole remaining director. Any director elected to fill such a vacancy or newly created directorship shall hold office until the next annual meeting of stockholders of the Corporation.

SECTION 3.5. REMOVAL. Subject to any rights of the holders of any series of Preferred Stock to elect additional directors under specified circumstances, any director, or the entire Board of Directors, may be removed from office at any time, but only for cause and only by the affirmative vote of the holders of at least a majority of the outstanding stock entitled to vote thereon.

SECTION 3.6. ANNUAL MEETINGS. The Board of Directors may provide by resolution for the time and place of annual meetings of the Board of Directors, without notice other than such resolution.

SECTION 3.7. REGULAR MEETINGS. The Board of Directors may provide by resolution for the time and place of regular meetings of the Board of Directors, without notice other than such resolution.

SECTION 3.8. SPECIAL MEETINGS. Special meetings of the Board of Directors shall be called by the Chairman of the Board, the Chief Executive Officer, the President or by a majority of the directors. The person(s) calling the meeting may fix the specific time and place of the meeting.

SECTION 3.9. NOTICE OF MEETING. Notice of any special meeting of the Board of Directors shall be given to each director at his business or residence in writing or by telegram or by telephone communication or by facsimile transmission or by e-mail transmission. If mailed, such notice shall be deemed adequately delivered when deposited in the United States mails so addressed, with postage thereon prepaid, at least five days before such meeting. If by telegram, such notice shall be deemed adequately delivered when the telegram is delivered to the telegraph company at least twenty-four hours before such meeting. If by telephone or by e-mail transmission, the notice shall be given at least twelve hours prior to the time set for the meeting. If by facsimile transmission, the notice shall be deemed adequately delivered if transmitted at least twenty-four hours before such meeting. Neither the business to be transacted at, nor the purpose of, any regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors need be specified in the

notice of such meeting, except for amendments to these By-laws as provided under Article IX hereof. A meeting of the Board of Directors may be held at any time without notice if all the directors are present or if those not present waive notice of the meeting in writing, either before or after such meeting.

SECTION 3.10. WAIVER OF NOTICE. A written waiver, signed by the director, whether before or after the meeting of the Board of Directors, shall be equivalent to the giving of such notice. Attendance by a director, without objection to the notice, at a meeting of the Board of Directors shall constitute waiver of notice of such meeting.

SECTION 3.11. TELEPHONE PARTICIPATION. Directors may participate in a meeting of the Board of Directors by means of conference telephone or similar communications equipment if all persons participating in the meeting can hear each other. Participation in a meeting of this kind shall constitute presence in person at the meeting.

SECTION 3.12. QUORUM AND VOTING. A majority of the whole Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The vote of the majority of the directors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the Board of Directors unless the vote of a greater number is required by statute, the Corporation's Restated Certificate of Incorporation, or these By-laws.

SECTION 3.13. ACTION WITHOUT A MEETING. Any action that may be taken at a meeting of the directors may be taken without a meeting if a consent in writing, setting forth the action taken, is signed by all directors.

SECTION 3.14. COMPENSATION. By resolution of the Board of Directors, a director may be paid a fixed sum, and any expenses, for an annual retainer or for attendance at a meeting of the Board of Directors as set forth in such resolution. No such payment shall preclude a director from receiving compensation for serving the Corporation in any other capacity.

SECTION 3.15. NOMINATION OF DIRECTORS.

(a) Only persons who are nominated in accordance with the following procedures shall be eligible for election as directors of the Corporation. Nominations of persons for election to the Board of Directors may be made at any annual meeting of stockholders, or at any special meeting of stockholders called for the purpose of electing directors, (a) by or at the direction of the Board of Directors (or any duly authorized committee thereof) or (b) by any stockholder of the Corporation (i) who is a stockholder of record on the date of the giving of the notice provided for in this section and on the record date for the determination of stockholders entitled to vote at such meeting and (ii) who complies with the notice procedures set forth in this section.

(b) In addition to any other applicable requirements, for a nomination to be made by a stockholder, such stockholder must have given timely notice thereof in proper written form to the Secretary of the Corporation.

(c) To be timely, a stockholder's notice to the Secretary must be delivered to or mailed and received at the principal executive office of the Corporation (a) in the case of an

annual meeting, not less than 60 days nor more than 90 days prior to the anniversary date of the immediately preceding annual meeting of stockholders; provided, however, that in the event that the annual meeting is called for a date that is not within 30 days before or after such anniversary date, notice by the stockholder in order to be timely must be so received not later than the close of business on the tenth day following the day on which such notice of the date of the annual meeting was mailed or public disclosure of the date of the annual meeting was made, whichever first occurs and (b) in the case of a special meeting of stockholders called for the purpose of electing directors, not later than the close of business on the tenth day following the day on which notice of the date of the special meeting was mailed or public disclosure of the date of the special meeting was made, whichever first occurs.

(d) To be in proper written form, a stockholder's notice to the Secretary must set forth (a) as to each person whom the stockholder proposes to nominate for election as a director (i) the name, age, business address and residence address of the person, (ii) the principal occupation or employment of the person, (iii) the class or series and number of shares of capital stock of the Corporation which are owned beneficially or of record by the person and (iv) any other information relating to the person that would be required to be disclosed in a proxy statement or other filings required to be made in connection with solicitation of proxies for election of directors pursuant to Section 14 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act"), and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, and (b) as to the stockholder giving the notice (i) the name and record address of such stockholder, (ii) the class or series and number of shares of capital stock of the Corporation which are owned beneficially or of record by such stockholder, (iii) a description of all arrangements or understandings between such stockholder and each proposed nominee and any other person or persons (including their names and addresses) pursuant to which the nominations(s) are to be made by such stockholder, (iv) a representation that such stockholder intends to appear in person or by proxy at the meeting to nominate the persons named in its notice and (v) any other information relating to such stockholder that would be required to be disclosed in a proxy statement or other filings required to be made in connection with solicitation of proxies for election of directors pursuant to Section 14 of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder. Such notice must be accompanied by a written consent of each proposed nominee to being named as a nominee and to serve as a director if elected.

(e) No person shall be eligible for election as a director of the Corporation unless nominated in accordance with the procedures set forth in this section. If the chairman of the meeting determines that a nomination was not made in accordance with the foregoing procedures, the chairman shall declare to the meeting that the nomination was defective and such defective nomination shall be disregarded.

ARTICLE IV. BOARD COMMITTEES

SECTION 4.1. FORMATION OF COMMITTEES. The Board of Directors by resolution may create committees, each consisting of one or more directors, which committees shall hold office for such time and have such powers and perform such duties as may from time to time be assigned to them by the Board of Directors. Three committees have previously been

formed: the compensation committee, the audit committee and the nominating and governance committee.

SECTION 4.2. COMPENSATION COMMITTEE. The compensation committee shall have the duties to recommend to the Board of Directors: (a) the base salary or wage ranges of all employees; (b) the amounts and forms of compensation, including fringe benefits and bonuses, as well as stock options and incentive compensation rights that apply or may apply to employees; (c) the adoption and implementation of any new or modified forms of compensation; (d) the suspension, elimination or restriction of any presently existing forms of compensation; and (e) plans concerning the orderly succession of officers and key management personnel. In addition, the compensation committee shall have the duties outlined in its written charter as in effect from time to time and as approved by the Board of Directors and may delegate authority to one or more persons to act on its behalf, whether pursuant to a power of attorney or otherwise, and in a manner consistent with the Corporation's establish policies regarding such delegations of authority.

SECTION 4.3. AUDIT COMMITTEE. None of the members of the audit committee shall be directly involved in the supervision or management of the financial affairs of this Corporation or any of its subsidiaries.

(a) The books, records, and accounts of the Corporation may be audited periodically by independent public accountants. In connection with the audit process, the audit committee shall have the duties outlined in its written charter as in effect from time to time and as approved by the Board of Directors.

(b) The audit committee shall meet periodically with the staff responsible for the Corporation's financial and accounting matters to review and discuss the scope of internal accounting procedures and controls then in effect and the extent to which any recommendations made by the independent public accountants or any internal auditors have been implemented.

(c) The audit committee shall direct and supervise any investigation into any matter brought to its attention within the scope of its duties which it believes is necessary. The audit committee may retain outside consultants in connection with any such investigation.

(d) The audit committee shall monitor business practices of the Corporation as set forth in the written policies of the Corporation, such as compliance with antitrust policies and other policies, as directed by the Board of Directors.

(e) The audit committee may delegate authority to one or more persons to act on its behalf, whether pursuant to a power of attorney or otherwise, and in a manner consistent with the Corporation's establish policies regarding such delegations of authority.

SECTION 4.4 NOMINATING AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE. The nominating and governance committee shall have the duties to: (a) consider and make recommendations to the Board of Directors concerning the appropriate size, functions and policies of the Board of Directors; (b) recommend to the Board of Directors the size and functions of the various committees of the Board of Directors; (c) recommend to the Board of Directors corporate governance principles for the Company. In addition, the nominating and

governance committee shall have the duties outlined in its written charter as in effect from time to time and as approved by the Board of Directors and may delegate authority to one or more persons to act on its behalf, whether pursuant to a power of attorney or otherwise, and in a manner consistent with the Corporation's establish policies regarding such delegations of authority.

SECTION 4.5 LIMITATIONS ON POWERS. Limitations on the powers of committees of the Board of Directors shall be governed by Section 141(c)(2) of the Delaware General Corporation Law. In addition, no committee shall act contrary to a fundamental policy or method of conducting the business of the Corporation. No committee shall have the specific powers conferred upon any other committee by these By-laws.

SECTION 4.6 GENERAL. Any committee member may be removed by the Board of Directors at any time without cause. The Board of Directors may designate a chairman of a committee. The following provisions of the By-laws, which are applicable to the Board of Directors, shall also govern each Board of Directors committee: Section 3.4 (vacancies), Section 3.10 (waiver of notice), Section 3.11 (telephone participation), Section 3.12 (quorum and voting), and Section 3.13 (action without a meeting). Each committee may adopt its own rules of procedure and such rules may govern the call, time, place, and notice of meetings. Each committee may keep appropriate minutes of such proceedings and shall report all significant actions at regular meetings of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE V. OFFICERS

SECTION 5.1. NUMBER. The officers of the Corporation shall include a President and a Secretary. The Board of Directors may elect additional officers and appoint agents as it determines necessary. Any two or more offices may be held by the same person, except the offices of President and Secretary. The Board of Directors in its discretion may also elect one or more Chairman of the Board and one or more Vice Chairman.

SECTION 5.2. ELECTION AND QUALIFICATION. The President and Secretary shall be elected at the annual meeting of the Board of Directors. Other officers may be elected by the Board of Directors from time to time. The Chairman of the Board, if any, shall be a director of the Corporation, and should he cease to be a director, he shall IPSO FACTO cease to be such officer.

SECTION 5.3. TERM. Each officer shall hold office until his successor is elected and qualified or until his earlier resignation or removal. Any officer may resign at any time upon written notice to the Corporation.

SECTION 5.4. REMOVAL. Any officer elected by the Board of Directors may be removed by a majority of the members of the whole Board of Directors whenever, in their judgment, the best interest of the Corporation would be served thereby. No elected officer shall have any contractual rights against the Corporation for compensation by virtue of such election beyond the date of the election of his successor, his death, his resignation or his removal,

whichever event shall first occur, except as otherwise provided in an employment contract or under an employee deferred compensation plan.

SECTION 5.5. VACANCY. Any vacancy in any office from any cause may be filled for the unexpired portion of the term by the Board of Directors.

SECTION 5.6. CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD. The Chairman of the Board shall be a director and shall preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors at which he shall be present, and shall have such power and perform such duties as may from time to time be assigned to him by the Board of Directors.

SECTION 5.7. VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD. Any Vice Chairman of the Board shall be a director or shall have been a director holding the title of Vice Chairman. If any Vice Chairman of the Board is at the applicable time a director, he shall preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors at which a Chairman shall not be present, and shall have such power and perform such duties as may from time to time be assigned to him by the Board of Directors.

SECTION 5.8. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER. The Chief Executive Officer shall, when present, preside at all meetings of the stockholders, and, in the absence of the Chairman of the Board and any Vice Chairman of the Board, or upon motion of the Board of Directors, at meetings of the Board of Directors. He shall have power to call special meetings of the stockholders or of the Board of Directors at any time. He shall be the chief executive officer of the Corporation, and shall have the general direction of the business, affairs and property of the Corporation, and of its several officers and shall have and exercise all such powers and discharge such duties as usually pertain thereto.

SECTION 5.9. PRESIDENT. The President shall be the chief operating officer of the Corporation and shall have and exercise all such powers and discharge such duties as usually pertain to the office of President. In the absence of the Chief Executive Officer, the Chairman of the Board and any Vice Chairman, the President, when present, will preside at all meetings of the stockholders, and, if he is a director, in the absence of the Chairman of the Board, any Vice Chairman of the Board and the Chief Executive Officer, at meetings of the Board of Directors. He shall have power to call special meetings of the stockholders or of the Board of Directors at any time.

SECTION 5.10. VICE-PRESIDENTS. The Vice-Presidents, if any, or any of them, shall, subject to the direction of the Board of Directors, at the request of the Chief Executive Officer of the President or in his absence, or in case of his inability to perform his duties from any cause, perform the duties of the President, and, when so acting, shall have all the powers of, and be subject to all restrictions upon, the President. The Vice-Presidents shall also perform such other duties as may be assigned to them by the Board of Directors, and the Board of Directors may determine the order of priority among them. For purposes of these By-laws, Vice-Presidents shall include any officer with the title Vice-President along with any suffix, including, without limitation Executive, Group or Senior.

SECTION 5.11. SECRETARY. The Secretary shall perform such duties as are incident to the office of Secretary, or as may from time to time be assigned to him by the Board of Directors, or as are prescribed by these By-laws.

SECTION 5.12.. TREASURER. The Treasurer shall perform such duties and have powers as are usually incident to the office of Treasurer or which may be assigned to him by the Board of Directors.

SECTION 5.13. COMPENSATION. The compensation of all officers shall be fixed by the Board of Directors. An officer who is also a director may be compensated in both capacities.

SECTION 5.14. BONDING. Any officer, agent or employee of the Corporation, if so required by the Board of Directors, shall be bonded for the faithful performance of his duties, with such penalties, conditions and security as the Board of Directors may require.

ARTICLE VI. STOCK

SECTION 6.1. STOCK CERTIFICATES. Shares of the Corporation's stock may be certificated or uncertificated, as provided under Delaware law. All certificates of stock of the Corporation shall be numbered and shall be entered in the books of the Corporation as they are issued. They shall exhibit the holder's name and number of shares and shall be signed by the Chairman or a Vice Chairman or the President or a Vice President and by the Treasurer or an Assistant Treasurer or the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary. Any or all of the signatures on the certificate may be a facsimile.

SECTION 6.2. TRANSFER OF STOCK. Transfers of stock shall be made on the books of the Corporation only by the record holder of such stock, or by attorney lawfully constituted in writing, and, in the case of stock represented by a certificate, upon surrender of the certificate. However, the requirements of any applicable stock transfer restriction agreement must also be satisfied.

SECTION 6.3. LOST CERTIFICATES. The Corporation shall issue a new stock certificate in place of a certificate previously issued, if the holder: (a) claims by affidavit that the certificate has been lost, destroyed, or stolen; and (b) gives the Corporation a bond or other indemnity as the directors determine appropriate.

SECTION 6.4. REGISTERED STOCKHOLDERS. The person in whose name shares are registered in the Corporation's stock ledger shall be deemed by the Corporation to be the owner of those shares for all purposes. The Corporation shall not be required to recognize any equitable or other claim or interest in such shares by any other person, whether or not it has actual or other notice of such claim.

**ARTICLE VII.
MISCELLANEOUS**

SECTION 7.1. SEAL. The corporate seal shall contain the name of the Corporation as well as the words "Corporate Seal" and "Delaware".

SECTION 7.2. FISCAL YEAR. The fiscal year of the Corporation shall be determined by resolution of the Board of Directors.

SECTION 7.3. CONTRACTS, ETC. The directors shall determine by resolution which persons shall be empowered to sign contracts, bids, proposals, certificates and other instruments of the Corporation. Such authority may be general or confined to specific instances.

SECTION 7.4. CHECKS, ETC. All checks or demands for money and notes of the Corporation shall be signed by such officer or officers or such other person or persons as the Board of Directors may from time to time designate.

SECTION 7.5. DIVIDENDS. Dividends upon the capital stock of the Corporation, subject to the provisions of the Corporation's Restated Certificate of Incorporation, may be declared by the Board of Directors or a committee of the Board of Directors at any regular or special meeting, pursuant to law. Dividends may be paid in cash, in property or in shares of the capital stock.

SECTION 7.6. RESERVES. Before payment of any dividend there may be set aside out of any funds of the Corporation available for dividends such sum or sums as the directors from time to time, in their absolute discretion, determine proper as a reserve fund to meet contingencies, or for repairing or maintaining any property of the Corporation or for such other purpose as the directors shall think conducive to the interest of the Corporation, and the directors may abolish any such reserve in the manner in which it was created.

SECTION 7.7. VOTING STOCK OF OTHER CORPORATIONS. Except as otherwise ordered by the Board of Directors, the Chairman of the Board or the Chief Executive Officer or the President or any Vice President shall have full power on behalf of the Corporation to attend and to act and to vote at any meeting of the stockholders of any other corporation of which the Corporation is a stockholder and to execute a proxy to any other person to represent the Corporation at any such meeting.

**ARTICLE VIII.
INDEMNIFICATION**

SECTION 8.1. NON-DERIVATIVE SUITS. The Corporation shall indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or complete action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative, or investigative (other than an action by or in the right of the Corporation), by reason of the fact that he is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, against expenses (including attorneys' fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by him in connection with such

action, suit or proceeding if he acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the Corporation, and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful. The termination of any action, suit or proceeding by judgment, order, settlement, conviction, or upon a plea of nolo contendere or its equivalent, shall not, of itself, create a presumption that the person did not act in good faith and in a manner which he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the Corporation, and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful.

SECTION 8.2. DERIVATIVE SUITS. The Corporation shall indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action or suit by or in the right of the Corporation to procure a judgment in its favor by reason of the fact that he is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise against expenses (including attorneys' fees) actually and reasonably incurred by him in connection with the defense or settlement of such action or suit if he acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interest of the Corporation and except that no indemnification shall be made in respect of any claim, issue or matter as to which such person shall have been adjudged to be liable to the Corporation unless and only to the extent that the Court of Chancery or the court in which such action or suit was brought shall determine upon application that, despite the adjudication of liability but in view of all the circumstances of the case, such person is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnity for such expenses which the Court of Chancery or such other court shall deem proper.

SECTION 8.3. EXTENT OF INDEMNIFICATION. To the extent that a director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation has been successful on the merits or otherwise in defense of any action, suit or proceeding referred to in Section 8.1 or 8.2 above, or in defense of any claim, issue or matter therein, he shall be indemnified against expenses (including attorneys' fees) actually and reasonably incurred by him in connection therewith.

SECTION 8.4. APPROVAL OF INDEMNIFICATION. Any indemnification under Section 8.1 or 8.2 above (unless ordered by a court) shall be made by the Corporation only as authorized in the specific case upon a determination that indemnification of the director, officer, employee or agent is proper in the circumstances because he has met the applicable standard of conduct set forth in Section 8.1 or 8.2 above. Such determination shall be made (1) by the Board of Directors by a majority vote of a quorum consisting of directors who were not parties to such action, suit or proceeding, (2) if such a quorum is not obtainable, or, even if obtainable, a quorum of disinterested directors so directs, by independent legal counsel in a written opinion or (3) by the affirmative vote of the holders of 51% of the outstanding shares of Common Stock of the Corporation.

SECTION 8.5. ADVANCES. Expenses (including attorneys' fees) incurred in defending a civil, criminal, administrative or investigative action, suit or proceeding shall be paid by the Corporation in advance of the final disposition of such action, suit or proceeding upon receipt of an undertaking by or on behalf of the director, officer, employee or agent to repay such

amount, if it shall ultimately be determined that he is not entitled to be indemnified by the Corporation as authorized in this Article VIII.

SECTION 8.6. NON-EXCLUSIVITY. The indemnification and advancement of expenses provided by, or granted pursuant to, this Article VIII shall not be deemed exclusive of any other rights to which any person seeking indemnification may be entitled under any By-law, agreement, vote of stockholders or disinterested director or otherwise, both as to action in his official capacity and as to action in another capacity while holding such office, and shall continue as to a person who has ceased to be a director, officer, employee or agent and shall inure to the benefit of the heirs, executors and administrators of such person.

SECTION 8.7. INSURANCE. The Corporation shall have power to purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any person who is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise against any liability asserted against him and incurred by him in any such capacity or arising out of his status as such, whether or not the Corporation would have the power to indemnify him against such liability under the provisions of this Section 8.7 or under the provisions of any applicable law or regulation.

ARTICLE IX. AMENDMENTS

SECTION 9.1. These By-laws may be repealed, altered, amended or rescinded and new by-laws may be adopted by the majority vote of the Board of Directors or by the affirmative vote of sixty-six and two-thirds percent (66-2/3%) of the outstanding stock entitled to vote thereon.

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Level 3 Holds 2007 Annual Meeting of Stockholders

BROOMFIELD, Colo., May 24, 2007 -- Level 3 Communications, Inc. (NASDAQ: LVLT) held its 2007 Annual Meeting of Stockholders today in Broomfield, Colorado.

At the meeting, the company's stockholders:

- o Approved granting the company's Board of Directors discretionary authority to amend the company's restated certificate of incorporation in the future to implement a reverse stock split at one of four possible ratios: 1-for-5, 1-for-10, 1-for-15, and 1-for-20. The company's Board of Directors has taken no action with respect to a reverse stock split at this time.
- o Re-elected Walter Scott, Jr., James Q. Crowe, and Robert E. Julian as Class I directors of the company, and Arun Netravali, John T. Reed and Michael B. Yanney as Class III directors of the company. All directors will serve a one-year term until the 2008 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.
- o Approved a stockholder proposal urging the company to take all steps necessary, in compliance with applicable law, to remove the supermajority vote requirements in its amended and restated certificate of incorporation and by-laws, including but not limited to, the supermajority vote requirements necessary to amend the company's by-laws.

About Level 3 Communications

Level 3 Communications, Inc (NASDAQ: LVLT), an international communications company, operates one of the largest Internet backbones in the world. Through its customers, Level 3 is the primary provider of Internet connectivity for millions of broadband subscribers. The company provides a comprehensive suite of services over its broadband fiber optic network including Internet Protocol (IP) services, broadband

transport and infrastructure services, colocation services, voice services and voice over IP services, and content delivery services. These services provide building blocks that enable Level 3's customers to meet their growing demands for advanced communications solutions. The company's Web address is www.Level3.com.

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Forward-Looking Statement

Some of the statements that we make in this press release are forward looking in nature. These forward looking statements are not a guarantee of performance and are subject to a number of uncertainties and other factors, many of which are outside our control, which could cause actual events to differ materially from those expressed or implied by the statements. The most important factors that could prevent us from achieving our stated goals include, but are not limited to our ability to: successfully integrate acquisitions; increase the volume of traffic on our network; defend our intellectual property and proprietary rights; develop new products and services that meet customer demands and generate acceptable margins; successfully complete commercial testing of new technology and information systems to support new products and services; attract and retain qualified management and other personnel; and meet all of the terms and conditions of our debt obligations. Additional information concerning these and other important factors can be found within Level 3's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Statements in this press release should be evaluated in light of these important factors.