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January 10, 2006

Ms. Beth Salak
Director, Division of Competitive Markets and Enforcement
Attention: Tariff Section
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

RE: **TL727**

Dear Ms. Salak:

Attached for filing, please find the following revised pages for the Sprint-Florida, Incorporated General Exchange Tariff. This filing is submitted with a proposed effective date of January 25, 2006. The Company's tariffs are available on its website at www.sprint.com/tariffs.

Section A4 First Revised Sheet 11

In compliance with FCC Order, FCC 05-178, dated October 14, 2005, this filing expands the federal Link-Up eligibility criteria to include victims of Hurricane Katrina. Prior to the effective date of the FCC Order, Sprint conducted a promotional offering under which all service connection charges were waived when victims of Hurricane Katrina established service in the company's serving territory. In compliance with the FCC Order, Sprint began extending Link-Up benefits to eligible customers coincident with conclusion of that promotion.

Commission consideration and timely approval of these pages are respectfully requested. If you have questions or need additional information regarding this filing, please call Nancy Schnitzer at 850-599-1276.

Sincerely,

Mary L. Matthews

cc: Nancy Schnitzer Attachments

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GENERAL EXCHANGE TARIFF

SPRINT-FLORIDA, INCORPORATED

By: F. B. Poag Director

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G. LINK-UP FLORIDA

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- b. The Company's rules for the Link-Up Florida program are as provided in Commission Order No. 19684, Docket Number 880847-TL.
- c. The Company's deferred payment schedule referenced in the previously mentioned order is provided as follows in this section.
- d. In compliance with the FCC's Order, FCC 05-178, dated October 14, 2005, support under the federal Link-Up program will be provided to victims of Hurricane Katrina moving to temporary housing arrangements and to those who return to permanent residences in the affected areas. A federal credit in the amount of thirty dollars (\$30.00) per qualifying household will be available to subscribers upon request and certification by the applicants that they were residents of counties that are designated by FEMA as eligible for individual assistance. A signed letter with this certification will suffice. A maximum of two federal credits (one for the temporary location and one for a return to the permanent location) will be available for qualified subscribers. These credits will be available for customer orders through March 1, 2007. These subscribers will not necessarily be eligible for the Lifeline program as specified in this tariff.

2. Regulations

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