BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition of Sprint
Communications Company Limited
Partnership for arbitration of
complaint against BellSouth
Telecommunications, Inc. for
failure to comply with
interconnection agreement.

DOCKET NO. 991084-TP
ORDER NO. PSC-99-2374-PCO-TP
ISSUED: December 6, 1999

ORDER MODIFYING PROCEDURE

By Order No. PSC-99-2251-PCO-TP, issued, November 17, 1999, certain controlling dates were established. On November 30, 1999, Sprint Communications Company Limited Partnership (Sprint) and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. (BellSouth) (together Joint filed a Joint Motion for Modification of Establishing Procedure. In the Motion, the Joint Movants requested an extension of time to file direct testimony in this proceeding on December 10, 1999. The Joint Movants state that good cause exists for granting the extension because they believe conditions exist serious and fruitful negotiations and that under circumstances, they believe that the resources of each company would be better devoted to settlement discussions than to preparation and filing of testimony that may distract from or hinder the settlement of the matter. Finally, the Joint Movants state that modification of the testimony filing date should not materially affect the remaining dates in the schedule and they do not seek modification of any other date at this time.

Because the parties have joined in the Motion and staff has no objection, it appears no one will be harmed by the request. In addition, it does not appear that the extension will interfere with any of the other established dates. Therefore, upon consideration, the request to extend the time to file direct testimony on December 10, 1999, is granted.

It is therefore,

ORDERED by Commissioner E. Leon Jacobs, Jr., as Prehearing Officer, that the Joint Motion for Modification of Order Establishing Procedure filed by Sprint Communications Company

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Limited Partnership and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. is granted. It is further

ORDERED that Order No. PSC-99-2251-PCO-TP is reaffirmed in all other respects.

By ORDER of Commissioner E. Leon Jacobs, Jr. as Prehearing Officer, this <u>6th</u> Day of <u>December</u>, <u>1999</u>.

E. LEON JACOBS, OR. Commissioner and Prehearing Officer

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NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.569(1), Florida Statutes, to notify parties of any administrative hearing or judicial review of Commission orders that is available under Sections 120.57 or 120.68, Florida Statutes, as well as the procedures and time limits that apply. This notice should not be construed to mean all requests for an administrative hearing or judicial review will be granted or result in the relief sought.

Mediation may be available on a case-by-case basis. If mediation is conducted, it does not affect a substantially interested person's right to a hearing.

Any party adversely affected by this order, which is preliminary, procedural or intermediate in nature, may request: (1) reconsideration within 10 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.0376, Florida Administrative Code, if issued by a Prehearing Officer; (2) reconsideration within 15 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code, if issued by the Commission; or (3) judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court, in the case of an electric,

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gas or telephone utility, or the First District Court of Appeal, in the case of a water or wastewater utility. A motion for reconsideration shall be filed with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting, in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code. Judicial review of a preliminary, procedural or intermediate ruling or order is available if review of the final action will not provide an adequate remedy. Such review may be requested from the appropriate court, as described above, pursuant to Rule 9.100, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.

MEMORANDUM

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RE:

DOCKET NO. 991084-TP - PETITION OF SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP FOR ARBITRATION OF COMPLAINT AGAINST BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. FOR FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT.

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Attached is an ORDER MODIFYING PROCEDURE to be issued in the above-referenced docket. (Number of pages in order - 3)

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cc: Division of Telecommunications

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