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Re: Sprint's Notice and Claim of Confidentiality

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing is the original and five (5) copies of Sprint-Florida, Inc.'s Notice and Claim of Confidentiality Pursuant to Section 364.183(1), Florida Statues. A copy of the Notice is being provided to the Division of Auditing and Financial Analysis.

Please acknowledge receipt and filing of the above by stamping the duplicate copy of this letter and returning the same to this writer.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

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Charles J. Rehwinkel

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Enclosures

This claim of confidentiality was filed by or on behalf of a "telco" for Confidential DN 03705-00. The document is in locked storage pending advice on handling. To access the material, your name must be on the CASR. If undocketed, your division director must obtain written EXD/Tech permission before you can access it. $\chi - \gamma e f 02604-00$

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In re: Claim of confidentiality for Sprint -Florida, Incorporated's response to FPSC Staff requests for information. Filed: March 23, 2000

Docket No.

Sprint - Florida, Incorporated's Notice and Claim of Confidentiality Pursuant to Section 364.183(1), Florida Statutes

Sprint - Florida, Incorporated (Sprint) hereby gives notice that it daims certain documents and/or records identified herein to be confidential. The information that is the subject of this Notice and daim has been provided only because of and pursuant to a requirement of the Florida Public Service Commission through requests of its staff pursuant to certain "Audit Document/Record Request" forms (herein referred to as "Audit Requests"). Sprint claims that most of the information provided in response to the Audit Requests is confidential, and that therefor the information is deemed confidential by operation of law. See, Section 364.183(1), Fla. Stat. Provisions of FPSC Rule 25-22.006, F.A.C. to the contrary do not apply to this information.

The following document are the subject of this request:

1. Staff Workpapers including 10 pages containing confidential Sprint information from Responses to Staff Audit Requests 2-4 and 6 (Audit Control No. 99-300-3-1).

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CLAIM OF CONFIDENTIALITY

Between December 20, 1999 and February 10, 2000 the Staff of the Florida Public Service Commission requested information from Sprint in conjunction with a review of certain of Sprint's operations unrelated to any docketed matter.

Under FPSC practice, information requests submitted by the Staff in the Division of Auditing and Financial Analysis are entitled "Florida Public Service Commission Audit Document/Record Request Notice of Intent" or "Audit Request". Each Audit Request form provides that information be generally provided within 3 days and contains a place for the company to check, indicating that the responsive information is confidential. Sprint so marked this form on Audit Requests 2, 3, 4 and 6.

On February 17, 2000 Sprint received a fax from Staff indicating that Sprint's receipt of the official package will begin the 21 day period for requesting confidentiality. The official package was received on March 2, 2000. This request is being filed within the required time frame.

Under separate cover Sprint has submitted a highlighted copy of the work papers containing information that Sprint claims to be confidential pursuant to Section 364.183, Florida Statutes. Although a claim of confidentiality is sufficient under the statute because the information is provided pursuant to the Commission's request, as information, the basis for Sprint's claim is that the highlighted information constitutes trade secret(s) and is competitively valuable information, the release of which would harm Sprint's competitive status. A redacted copy of the same work papers is also provided for inclusion in the Commission's files subject to public inspection.

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This Notice and Claim requires that the information be treated as confidential while on file at the Florida Public Service Commission and further that the information be returned as required by Section 364.183, Fla. Stat.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 23rd day of March, 2000.

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