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Re: Docket No. 980253-TX

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of e.spire Communications, Inc. is an original and fifteen copies e.spire's Notice of Intent to Participate in the captioned docket.

Please acknowledge receipt of these documents by stamping the extra copy of this letter "filed" and returning the same to me.

Thank you for your assistance with this filing.

Sincerely,

Norman H. Horton, Jr.
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Enclosure

cc: James C. Falvey
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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Proposed Rule 25-4.300, F.A.C.,)	
Scope and Definitions; 25-4.301, F.A.C.,)	Docket No. 980253-TX
Applicability of Fresh Look; and 25-4.302,)	Filed: April 16, 1999
F.A.C., Termination of LEC Contracts.)	
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e.spire's NOTICE OF INTENT TO PARTICIPATE

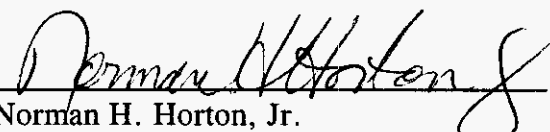
American Communication Services of Jacksonville, Inc. d/b/a e.spire Communications, and ACSI Local Switched Services, Inc. d/b/a e.spire Communications, Inc. (collectively "e.spire" or the "Company"), herewith gives notice of its intent to participate in the rulemaking hearing scheduled for May 12, 1999 and requests that copies of all comments, testimony and exhibits filed with the Commission pursuant to the Order Establishing Procedure be provided to the undersigned.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of e.spire Communications, Inc.' Notice of Intent to Participate in Docket No. 980253-TX have been served upon the following parties by Hand Delivery (*) and/or U. S. Mail this 16th day of April, 1999.

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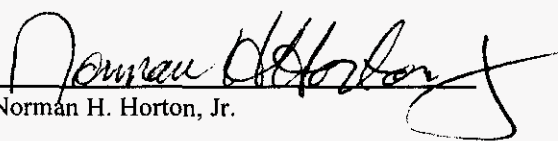
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