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Re: Docket No. 981834-TP

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of e.spire Communications, Inc. are an original and fifteen copies of e.spire's Notice of Withdrawal in the above 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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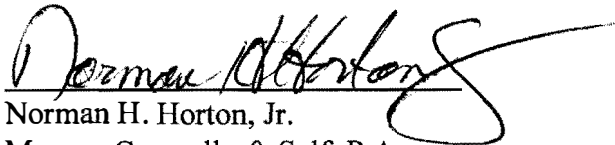
In re: Petition of Competitive)
Carriers for Commission Action)
to Support Local Competition)
in BellSouth's Service Territory)
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NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL

Comes now, American Communications Services, Inc. - Jacksonville, Inc., d/b/a e.spire Communications, Inc. ("e.spire"), through its undersigned counsel herewith gives notice of its withdrawal from this docket.

Respectfully submitted



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I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of e.spire Communications, Inc.'s Notice of Withdrawal in Docket No. 981834-TP has been furnished by Hand Delivery (*) and/or U.S. Mail to the following parties of record this 18th day of November, 1999:

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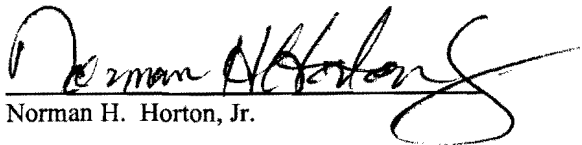
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