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Via Federal Express

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In Re: Docket 960833-TP Petition by AT&T Communications of the Southern States, Inc. for arbitration of certain terms and conditions of a proposed agreement with BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., concerning interconnection and resale under the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

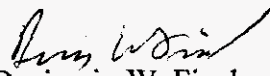
Dear Ms. Bayo:

Please find enclosed for filing, an original and fifteen copies of Petition for Leave to Intervene as submitted on behalf of Sprint Communications Company Limited Partnership.

We are enclosing an extra copy of this transmittal letter. Please acknowledge receipt thereon and return to the undersigned in the enclosed stamped, and self-addressed envelope.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,


Benjamin W. Fincher

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Docket No. 960833-TP
Filed: December 11, 1997

PETITION FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE BY
SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

Sprint Communications Company Limited Partnership ("Sprint"), pursuant to Rule 25-22.039, Florida Administrative Code, files this its Petition for Leave to Intervene with the Florida Public Service Commission ("Commission") in the above styled and stated docket.

Sprint respectfully requests that the Commission grant its petition, designating Sprint a party of record and affording it all applicable rights under Florida law and the rules and regulations of this Commission. In support thereof, Sprint respectfully shows as follows:

1. Petitioner's name and principal place of business are:

Sprint Communications Company Limited Partnership
3100 Cumberland Circle
Atlanta, Georgia 30339

2. Sprint representatives, to whom all pleadings, orders, notices, and other correspondence with respect to this docket should be addressed to:

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3. Sprint is a certificated Alternative Local Exchange Carrier ("ALEC") providing telecommunications services in Florida. Sprint and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") executed an interconnection agreement, which has been approved by this Commission.

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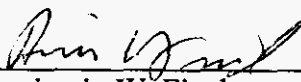
4. In this proceeding the Commission will consider and decide issues relating to the appropriate permanent recurring and non-recurring rates for specified unbundled network elements. These elements are available to and may be used by Sprint as well as other ALECs. Accordingly, the Commission's decision in this proceeding will have an affect on Sprint and impact Sprint's ability to provide telecommunications service in the State of Florida.

5. While the Commission originally concluded that intervention with full party status is not appropriate in Section 252 arbitration proceedings, it did, in fact, recently allow intervention in this docket to American Communications Services, Inc. and American Communications Services of Jacksonville, Inc., other similarly situated ALECs. The Commission, recognizing that circumstances have changed such that the decision rendered by the Commission in this phase of the docket will impact other ALECs, granted these ALEC interventions.

WHEREFORE, for reasons stated herein, Sprint respectfully requests that the Commission grant its petition for leave to intervene in this docket and allow Sprint to participate as a full party in this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted this 11th day of December, 1997.

Sprint Communications Company
Limited Partnership



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served a true and exact copy of the within and foregoing Petition for Leave to Intervene on behalf of Sprint Communications Company Limited Partnership in Docket No. 960833-TP, via United States First Class mail, postage paid and properly addressed to the following:

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This 10th day of December, 1997.


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