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**Marshall M. Criser III**  
Regulatory Vice President

July 13, 2000

Mrs. Blanca S. Bayo  
Director, Division of Records and Reporting  
Florida Public Service Commission  
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399

000854-TP

Re: Approval of an Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") and Sprint Communications Company L. P. pursuant to Sections 251, 252 and 271 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996

Dear Mrs. Bayo:

Pursuant to section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, BellSouth and Sprint Communications Company L. P. are submitting to the Florida Public Service Commission an amendment to their negotiated agreement for the interconnection of their networks, the unbundling of specific network elements offered by BellSouth and the resale of BellSouth's telecommunications services to Sprint Communications Company L. P. The Commission approved the initial agreement between the companies in Order No. 97-0983-FOF-TP issued August 15, 1997 in Docket 961150-TP.

Pursuant to section 252(e) of the Act, the Commission is charged with approving or rejecting the negotiated agreement between BellSouth and Sprint Communications Company L. P. within 90 days of its submission. The Act provides that the Commission may only reject such an agreement if it finds that the agreement or any portion of the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement or the implementation of the agreement or any portion of the agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity. Both parties aver that neither of these reasons exist as to the agreement they have negotiated and therefore, are very hopeful that the Commission shall approve their agreement.

Very truly yours,

*Marshall M. Criser III*

Regulatory Vice President

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**ATTACHMENT TO TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

The Amendment entered into by and between Sprint and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., dated 05/05/2000, for the state of Florida consists of the following:

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**Amendment to Interconnection Agreement between  
Sprint Communications Company L. P. and  
BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.  
Florida**

Pursuant to this Agreement, (the "Amendment"), Sprint Communications Company L. P. ("Sprint"), and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth"), hereinafter referred to collectively as the "Parties," hereby agree to amend that certain Interconnection Agreement between the Parties dated July 1, 1997 ("Agreement").

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual provisions contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties hereby covenant and agree as follows:

1. Table 1 of the General Terms and Conditions of the Interconnection Agreement is hereby revised to include DS3 Dedicated Transport for the state of Florida effective with the execution of this Amendment as follows:

	<b>FL</b>		
	<b>Zone 1</b>	<b>Zone 2</b>	<b>Zone 3</b>
<b>Interoffice Channel – Dedicated Transport – DS3</b>			
Interoffice Channel – Dedicated Transport – DS3 – per mile per month	\$4.25	\$4.25	\$4.25
Interoffice Channel – Dedicated Transport – DS3 – Facility Termination per month	\$1,130.00	\$1,130.00	\$1,130.00
NRC – 1 <sup>st</sup>	\$562.06	\$562.06	\$562.06
NRC – Add'l	\$328.16	\$328.16	\$328.16
Interoffice Channel – Dedicated Transport – DS3 – Facility Termination – Disconnect Only			
NRC – 1 <sup>st</sup>	\$112.44	\$112.44	\$112.44
NRC – Add'l	\$109.19	\$109.19	\$109.19
<b>Local Channel – Dedicated Transport – DS3</b>			
Local Channel – Dedicated Transport – DS3 – per mile per month	\$9.32	\$9.32	\$9.32
Local Channel – Dedicated Transport – DS3 – Facility Termination per month	\$560.39	\$560.39	\$560.39
NRC – 1 <sup>st</sup>	\$910.45	\$910.45	\$910.45
NRC – Add'l	\$532.19	\$532.19	\$532.19
Local Channel – Dedicated Transport – DS3 – Facility Termination – Disconnect Only			
NRC – 1 <sup>st</sup>	\$223.20	\$223.20	\$223.20
NRC – Add'l	\$156.12	\$156.12	\$156.12

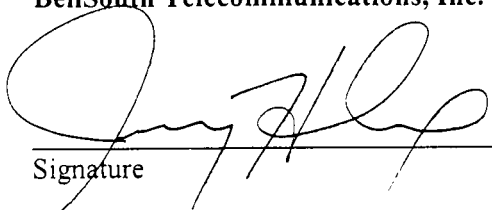
2. The rates reflected in this amendment shall be interim rates and subject to true-up, either up or down, based on final prices determined either by further agreement between the Parties, or by a final order in Florida Public Service Commission Docket No. 990649-TP (including any appeals).

3. All of the other provisions of the Agreement, dated July 1, 1997, shall remain in full force and effect.

4. BellSouth will submit this Amendment to the Florida Public Service Commission for approval subject to Section 252(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have caused this Amendment to be executed by their respective duly authorized representatives on the date indicated below.

**BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.**

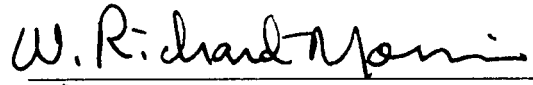
  
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Signature

Jerry D. Hendrix  
Name

Senior Director  
Title

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Date

**Sprint Communications Company L. P.**

  
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Signature

W. Richard Morris  
Name

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STATE OF FLORIDA

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## Public Service Commission

July 14, 2000

Marshall M. Criser III, Regulatory Vice President  
BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.  
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Tallahassee, Florida 32301-1556

Re: Docket No. 000854-TP

Dear Mr. Criser:

This will acknowledge receipt of a request by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. For approval of amendment to existing interconnection agreement with Sprint Communications Limited Partnership, which was filed in this office on July 13, 2000 and assigned the above-referenced docket number. Appropriate staff members will be advised.

Mediation may be available to resolve any dispute in this docket. If mediation is conducted, it does not affect a substantially interested person's right to an administrative hearing. For more information, contact the Office of General Counsel at (850) 413-6248 or FAX (850) 413-7180.

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