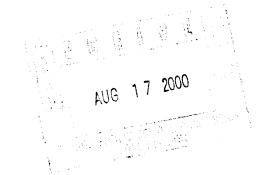


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Re: Docket No. 990649-TP

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing in the above docket are the original and fifteen (15) copies of Sprint's Response to BellSouth's Motion for Extension of Time.

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.

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In re: Investigation into pricing of unbundled network elements

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SPRINT'S RESPONSE TO BELLSOUTH'S MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sprint Communications Company, Limited Partnership ("Sprint") hereby responds to BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.'s ("BellSouth") Motion for Extension of Time ("Motion"), stating as follows:

- 1. Sprint does not object to BellSouth's Motion.
- 2. However, Sprint observes that its time for filing rebuttal testimony to BellSouth's revised cost studies is August 23, 2000, which if BellSouth's Motion is granted, is only five (5) days after BellSouth's new testimony filing date. Additionally, this five-day time period includes a weekend. Even if Sprint receives BellSouth's testimony by the close of business on Friday, August 18, 2000, it will be Monday, August 21, 2000, before the testimony can be distributed to Sprint's subject matter experts.
- 3. Sprint therefore requests that, if BellSouth's time for filing its testimony is extended, Sprint and the other parties also be granted additional time, to and including August 28, 2000, to file rebuttal testimony.

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