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ON FRANCON BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Applications for qualified representative status

Date Filed: January 10, 2007

## REQUEST FOR NAMING OF QUALIFIED REPRESENTATIVE

Pursuant to Rule 28-106.107, Florida Administrative Code, Sprint Communications Company Limited Partnership, Sprint Spectrum Limited Partnership d/b/a/ Sprint PCS, Nextel South Corporation, d/b/a/ Nextel; and ASC Telecom, Inc., hereinafter collectively referred to as "the Sprint Nextel entities", request that William R. Atkinson, attorney and Director of State Regulatory Affairs for the Sprint Nextel entities, be named a qualified representative of the Sprint Nextel entities in all docketed and non-docketed matters currently before the Commission and in any new matters in calendar year 2007 or such additional period as the Commission may authorize. The Sprint Nextel entities are aware that they can be represented by counsel as defined in Rule 28-106.106, Florida Administrative Code and may also elect such representation.

CMP.	Attached hereto is a sworn affidavit setting forth Mr. Atkinson's qualifications. Mr.
COM	Atkinson's address is 233 Peachtree St. NE, Suite 2200, Atlanta, GA 30303 and his telephone
CTR	
ECR	number is (404) 649-0001.
GCL	WHEREFORE, for the above and foregoing reasons, Sprint Communications Company
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RCA	Limited Partnership, Sprint Spectrum Limited Partnership d/b/a/ Sprint PCS, Nextel South
SCR	Corporation, d/b/a/ Nextel, and ASC Telecom, Inc., respectfully request that their Request for
SGA	Naming of Qualified Representative be granted.
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Respectfully submitted

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE Docket 070008-OT

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Request for Naming of Qualified Representative has been furnished by U.S. Mail to the following parties on this 10<sup>th</sup> day of January 2007:

Michael Cooke General Counsel Florida Public Service Commission Division of Legal Services 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

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## BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Applications for	)	Docket No. 070008-OT
Qualified Representative Status	)	Filed: January 8, 2007

## AFFIDAVIT OF WILLIAM R. ATKINSON

STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF FULTON

- I, William R. Atkinson, being first duly sworn, do hereby depose and state as follows:
- 1. I am an attorney and Director, State Regulatory Affairs, for the following Sprint Nextel Corporation entities operating in the State of Florida: Sprint Communications Company Limited Partnership.; Sprint Spectrum Limited Partnership d/b/a Sprint PCS; Nextel South Corporation, d/b/a Nextel; and ASC Telecom, Inc. (Sprint").
- 2. I am a member in good standing of the State Bar of Georgia and am seeking to be designated as a qualified representative in the above-captioned docket pursuant to Rule 28-106.106, Florida Administrative Code.
- 3. I was have served as regulatory counsel for the above-named Sprint entities in proceedings before state regulatory Commissions, and I have assisted other attorneys in proceedings before other state Commissions that have involved the examination and resolution of factual and legal issues.
- 4. I am familiar with the relevant portions of the Florida Statutes, the Florida Rules of Civil Procedure, the Florida Administrative Code, the Florida Rules of Evidence, and Rule 28-106.107, Florida Administrative Code.

I declare that the foregoing is true and correct based on my knowledge, information, and belief.

William R. Atkinson

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me this 8<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2007, by William R. Atkinson, who is personally known to me; or ( ) who has presented proper identification.

Notary Public, State of Commission Number
My Commission expires