

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition by Sprint Communications Company Limited Partnership and Sprint Spectrum Limited Partnership d/b/a Sprint PCS for arbitration of rates, terms and conditions of interconnection with BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a AT&T Florida d/b/a AT&T Southeast.

DOCKET NO. 070249-TP
ORDER NO. PSC-07-0932-PCO-TP
ISSUED: November 21, 2007

ORDER ON MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

On August 9, 2007, Sprint Communications Company Limited Partnership and Sprint Spectrum Limited Partnership d/b/a Sprint PCS (collectively, Sprint) filed its Amended Petition for Arbitration rates and certain terms and conditions of interconnection with BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a AT&T Florida d/b/a AT&T Southeast (AT&T Florida) for the State of Florida. AT&T Florida filed its Motion to Dismiss and Answer to Sprint's Amended Petition on November 13, 2007. Pursuant to Rule 28-106.204, Florida Administrative Code, Sprint's response in opposition to AT&T's Motion is due on November 20, 2007. On November 19, 2007, Sprint filed its Unopposed Motion for Extension of Time to Respond to AT&T Florida's Motion to Dismiss.

In support of its Motion, Sprint asserts that Sprint's Amended Petition raises a single legal issue regarding AT&T's denial of Sprint's request to extend its current Interconnection Agreement pursuant to certain commitments made by AT&T, Inc. and BellSouth Corporation in connection with their 2006 merger (the "Merger Commitments"). On Friday, November 16, 2007, AT&T issued a letter in which it announced a new position regarding extensions of interconnection agreements pursuant to the Merger Commitments.

Based on AT&T's newly-stated position on extensions of interconnection agreements, Sprint believes that the single issue before the Commission may be resolvable. Sprint therefore seeks a brief two-week extension of time in which to consult with AT&T in an effort to resolve their dispute, and to file its response to AT&T Florida's Motion if necessary.

Sprint states that its motion is in good faith and not to for the purpose of mere delay. Sprint represents that its counsel has conferred with counsel for AT&T, who does not object to the two-week extension. Sprint further states that this extension will not unduly delay the proceeding or prejudice the rights of AT&T Florida.

Upon consideration, it appears reasonable and appropriate to extend, as requested, the due date of Sprint's Response to AT&T Florida's Motion to Dismiss. Accordingly, the filing date for Sprint's response to AT&T Florida's Motion to Dismiss is hereby extended until December 4, 2007.

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Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by Commissioner Matthew M. Carter II, as Prehearing Officer, that Sprint's Motion for Extension of Time for filing its Response to AT&T Florida's Motion to Dismiss is hereby approved. It is further

ORDERED that Sprint shall have until December 4, 2007, to file its Response.

By ORDER of Commissioner Matthew M. Carter II, as Prehearing Officer, this 21st day of November, 2007.



MATTHEW M. CARTER II
Commissioner and Prehearing Officer

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NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.569(1), Florida Statutes, to notify parties of any administrative hearing or judicial review of Commission orders that is available under Sections 120.57 or 120.68, Florida Statutes, as well as the procedures and time limits that apply. This notice should not be construed to mean all requests for an administrative hearing or judicial review will be granted or result in the relief sought.

Mediation may be available on a case-by-case basis. If mediation is conducted, it does not affect a substantially interested person's right to a hearing.

Any party adversely affected by this order, which is preliminary, procedural or intermediate in nature, may request: (1) reconsideration within 10 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.0376, Florida Administrative Code; or (2) judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court, in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility, or the First District Court of Appeal, in the case of a water or wastewater utility. A motion for reconsideration shall be filed with the Office of Commission Clerk, in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code. Judicial review of a preliminary, procedural or intermediate ruling or order is available if review

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of the final action will not provide an adequate remedy. Such review may be requested from the appropriate court, as described above, pursuant to Rule 9.100, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.