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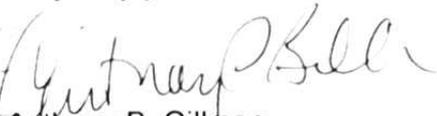
Ms. Blanca S. Bayo, Director
Division of Records & Reporting
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
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Re: Docket No. 961173-TP
Petition of Sprint Communications Company Limited Partnership
for Arbitration of Proposed Interconnection Agreement with GTE Florida
Incorporated Pursuant to the Telecommunications Act of 1996

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Please find enclosed for filing an original and one copy of GTE Florida Incorporated's
Notice of Service of Responses to Staff's First Set of Interrogatories in the above
matter. Service has been made as indicated on the Certificate of Service. If there are
any questions regarding this filing, please contact me at (813) 483-2615.

Very truly yours,


Anthony P. Gillman

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition of Sprint Communications Company)
Limited Partnership for Arbitration of Proposed)
Interconnection Agreement with GTE Florida)
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Act of 1996)

Docket No. 961173-TP
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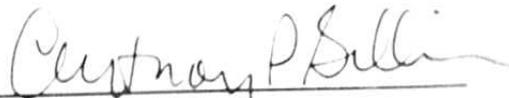
**NOTICE OF SERVICE OF GTE FLORIDA INCORPORATED'S RESPONSES
TO STAFF'S FIRST SET OF INTERROGATORIES**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a true and correct copy of GTE Florida Incorporated's Responses to Staff's First Set of Interrogatories, which were legally propounded by Staff on November 14, 1996, was sent via overnight delivery on November 22, 1996, to Monica M. Barone, Staff Counsel, Florida Public Service Commission, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850.

The original and one copy of this Notice were also sent via overnight delivery on November 22, 1996 to the Director, Division of Records & Reporting, at the Commission. Further service on other parties of record is as set forth on the Certificate of Service appended hereto.

Respectfully submitted on November 25, 1996.

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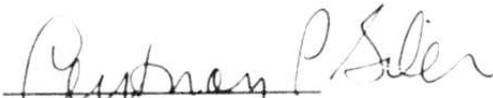
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that copies of GTE Florida Incorporated's Notice of Service and Responses to Staff's First Set of Interrogatories in Docket No. 961173-TP were sent via overnight delivery on November 22, 1996 to the parties listed below

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