BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Joint notice of intent by GTE Florida Incorporated (holder of LEC Certificate No. 31) and Sprint-Florida, Incorporated (holder of LEC Certificate No. 22) to petition Commission for approval to transfer territories in Pasco County and to amend certificates.

DOCKET NO. 991191-TL ORDER NO. PSC-99-2170-PAA-TL ISSUED: November 8, 1999

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

JOE GARCIA, Chairman J. TERRY DEASON SUSAN F. CLARK E. LEON JACOBS, JR.

NOTICE OF PROPOSED AGENCY ACTION
ORDER GRANTING JOINT PETITION BY GTE FLORIDA INCORPORATED. AND
SPRINT-FLORIDA, INCORPORATED TO TRANSFER TERRITORIES IN PASCO
COUNTY AND AMEND THEIR CERTIFICATES

BY THE COMMISSION:

NOTICE is hereby given by the Florida Public Service Commission that the action discussed herein is preliminary in nature and will become final unless a person whose interests are substantially affected files a petition for a formal proceeding, pursuant to Rule 25-22.029, Florida Administrative Code.

On August 30, 1999, GTE Florida Incorporated (GTE) and Sprint-Florida, Incorporated (Sprint) filed a joint petition to transfer certain exchange territories in Pasco County and amend their respective local exchange Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity (certificates). Sprint and GTE sought three exchange boundary changes in the petition. The first is to move a portion of the proposed Homesteads of Saddlewood, Phase II, from the Sprint San Antoni Exchange to the GTE Tampa North Area of the Tampa Metropolitan Exchange. The second is to move part of the proposed

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Skyridge Terrace subdivision into the GTE Zephyrhills Exchange. The third boundary change is to move part of the proposed Scotland Yards Golf Club from the GTE Zephyrhills Exchange to the Sprint Dade City Exchange. A more specific description of the changes and accompanying maps are found in the body of the Joint Petition. The petition was filed in accordance with Rules 25-4.005 and 28.106.201, Florida Administrative Code.

The present exchange boundary lines generally follow existing streets and roads, but in some cases bisect planned subdivisions and even individual lots located in each company's service area. The petitioners are striving to minimize, if not eliminate, the future possibility that the boundaries in these areas could split subdivisions or individual lots. The proposed transfer of territories would revise the respective exchange boundaries to be consistent with the boundaries for the planned subdivisions. The petitioners submitted all the information required by Rule 25-4.005(1), (2), and (3), Florida Administrative Code.

The petitioners contend that for the 23 affected subscribers, no change in their telephone service, service provider, rates, or local calling scope would result. With this petition, the companies ask to realign their respective certificated territories to more accurately reflect their actual and planned provision of service.

On September 22, 1999, our staff conducted an on-site examination of the specific areas named in the petition and found the information to be accurate.

Upon consideration, we find that the actions proposed in the joint petition are reasonable and the application is consistent with Rule 25-4.005(1), (2), and (3), Florida Administrative Code. Therefore, we grant the joint petition by GTE and Sprint to transfer certain territories in Pasco County, and to amend their respective certificates.

It is therefore

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that the joint petition by GTE Florida Incorporated and Sprint-Florida, Incorporated to transfer certain territories in Pasco County described in the body of this Order is granted. It is further

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ORDERED that the respective certificates of GTE Florida Incorporated and Sprint-Florida, Incorporated are amended to reflect the modifications of territory in Pasco County as described in the body of this Order. It is further

ORDERED that the provisions of this Order, issued as proposed agency action, shall become final and effective upon the issuance of a Consummating Order unless an appropriate petition, in the form provided by Rule 28-106.201, Florida Administrative Code, is received by the Director, Division of Records and Reporting, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, by the close of business on the date set forth in the "Notice of Further Proceedings" attached hereto. It is further

ORDERED that in the event this Order becomes final, this Docket shall be closed.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this 8th day of November, 1999.

BLANCA S. BAYÓ, Director

Division of Records and Reporting

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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 that is available under Section 120.57, 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 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.

The action proposed herein is preliminary in nature. Any person whose substantial interests are affected by the action proposed by this order may file a petition for a formal proceeding, in the form provided by Rule 28-106.201, Florida Administrative Code. This petition must be received by the Director, Division of Records and Reporting, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, by the close of business on November 29, 1999.

In the absence of such a petition, this order shall become final and effective upon the issuance of a Consummating Order.

Any objection or protest filed in this docket before the issuance date of this order is considered abandoned unless it satisfies the foregoing conditions and is renewed within the specified protest period.

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MEMORANDUM

November 5, 1999

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TO:

DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING

FROM:

DIVISION OF LEGAL SERVICES (CALDWELL)

RE:

DOCKET NO. 991191-TL - JOINT NOTICE OF INTENT BY GTE FLORIDA INCORPORATED (HOLDER OF LEC CERTIFICATE NO. 31) AND SPRINT-FLORIDA, INCORPORATED (HOLDER OF LEC CERTIFICATE NO. 22) TO PETITION COMMISSION FOR APPROVAL TO TRANSFER TERRITORIES IN PASCO COUNTY AND TO AMEND

CERTIFICATES.

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Attached is an <u>ORDER GRANTING JOINT PETITION BY GTE FLORIDA</u>, <u>INC. AND SPRINT-FLORIDA</u>, <u>INCORPORATED TO TRANSFER TERRITORIES IN PASCO COUNTY AND AMEND THEIR CERTIFICATES</u>, to be issued in the above-referenced docket. (Number of pages in order - 4)

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cc: Division of Communications

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