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Ms. Beth Salak Director, Division of Competitive Markets and Enforcement Attention: Tariff Section Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

RE: **TL727** 

Dear Ms. Salak:

Attached for filing, please find the following revised pages for the Sprint-Florida, Incorporated General Exchange Tariff. This filing is submitted with a proposed effective date of March 24, 2004. Sprint's tariffs are available on its website at <u>www.sprint.com/tariffs</u>.

Section A3 Sixth Revised Sheet 59.1

This filing is made in accordance with Order Number PSC-05-0153-AS-TL issued by the Commission on February 8, 2005 in Docket 040604. This Order approved Sprint's settlement proposal in this Docket which includes implementation of a simplified certification process. The attached tariff revision documents Sprint's simplified Lifeline certification process.

Commission consideration and timely approval of these pages are respectfully requested. If you have questions or need additional information regarding this filing, please call Nancy Schnitzer at 850-599-1276.

Sincerely,

Mary L. Matthews

cc: Nancy Schnitzer Attachments FL05-12

#### SPRINT-FLORIDA, INCORPORATED

By: F. B. Poag Director

SECTION A3 Sixth Revised Sheet 59.1 Cancelling Fifth Revised Sheet 59.1 Effective:

## BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

#### LIFELINE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM - (Cont'd) J.

- 1. General - (Cont'd)
  - f. SmallTalk Service as found in D.2. of this tariff section is not eligible for Lifeline Assistance.
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  - Guidelines for implementation of this program are as follows: a.
    - Certification Procedures As proof of eligibility, all applicants for this service (C) 1) will sign a Simplified Certification Document, certifying under penalty of perjury, that the customer is receiving benefits from one of the programs identified in paragraph J.1.b, above, identifying the specific program or programs from which the customer receives benefits, and agreeing to notify the Company if the customer ceases to participate in such program (C) or programs.

(N) The Simplified Certification Document will be provided to the customer by the Company, upon request. (N)

- (T) 2) Processing Procedures -- The Company will process all Simplified (T) Certification Documents and apply the appropriate credit on the subscriber's monthly bill.
- Verification Procedures -- The Company reserves the right to periodically audit 3) its records, working in conjunction with the appropriate state agencies, for the purpose of determining continuing eligibility. Information obtained during such audit will be treated as confidential information to the extent required under State and Federal laws. The use or disclosure of information concerning enrollees will be limited to purposes directly connected with the administration of the Lifeline plan.

#### SPRINT-FLORIDA, INCORPORATED

By: F. B. Poag Director SECTION A3 Sixth Fifth Revised Sheet 59.1 Cancelling Fifth Fourth Revised Sheet 59.1 Effective: August 12, 2003

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