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*Via Hand Delivery*

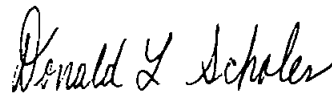
Re: Application of Sprint Nextel Corporation - Joint Issues Matrix  
Docket No. 05-00240

Dear Chairman Jones:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced docket is the original and thirteen (13) copies of the Joint Issues Matrix agreed upon by the Applicant Sprint Nextel Corporation and the Intervenor Communications Workers of America, AFL-CIO.

Two extra copies of this letter and the Joint Issues Matrix are enclosed. Please stamp these extra copies "Filed" and return to me. Should you have questions or concerns with this filing, please do not hesitate to contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely yours,

  
DONALD L. SCHOLES

Enclosures

c: Edward Phillips  
Debbie Goldman

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## JOINT ISSUES MATRIX

The parties agree that the application filed by Sprint with the Authority on August 24, 2005 must be reviewed under the standard set forth in Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-4-113. As a result, the parties submit the following issues for resolution by the Authority:

2. Whether LTD Holding Company, after becoming the parent company of United Telephone-Southeast, Inc., LTD Long Distance and Sprint Payphone Services, Inc., will have the financial ability and managerial and technical capability to efficiently perform the utility services that are being transferred to it, and

3. Whether it is appropriate for the Authority to place any conditions on LTD holding Company and its Tennessee subsidiaries as outlined on pages 23 and 24 of the confidential prefiled direct testimony of Debbie Goldman, and if so, what conditions should the Authority place on LTD holding Company and its Tennessee subsidiaries.

Respectfully submitted by the parties on this 14th day of January, 2006.

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