



Guy M. Hicks  
General Attorney - TN

AT&T Tennessee  
333 Commerce Street  
Suite 2101  
Nashville, TN 37201-1800

T: 615.214.6301  
F: 615-214-7406  
[gh1402@att.com](mailto:gh1402@att.com)

February 9, 2011

VIA HAND DELIVERY

filed electronically in docket office on 02/09/11

Hon. Mary Freeman, Chairman  
Tennessee Regulatory Authority  
460 James Robertson Parkway  
Nashville, TN 37238

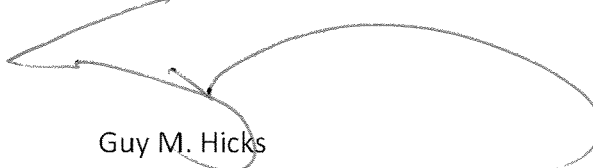
Re: *Petition for Arbitration of Interconnection Agreement Between BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. dba AT&T Tennessee and Sprint Spectrum L.P., Nextel South Corp., and NPCR, Inc. dba Nextel Partners*  
Docket No. 10-00042

*Petition for Arbitration of Interconnection Agreement Between BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. dba AT&T Tennessee and Sprint Communications Company, L.P.*  
Docket No. 10-00043

Dear Chairman Freeman:

Enclosed for filing in the referenced docket are the original and four copies of a *Joint Motion to Withdraw Petitions and to Close Dockets*. Local counsel for Sprint has authorized me to sign on his behalf.

Very truly yours,



Guy M. Hicks

768675



Proud Sponsor of the U.S. Olympic Team

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY  
Nashville, Tennessee

In Re: *Petition for Arbitration of Interconnection Agreement Between BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. dba AT&T Tennessee and Sprint Spectrum L.P., Nextel South Corp., and NPCR, Inc. dba Nextel Partners*  
Docket No. 10-00042

*Petition for Arbitration of Interconnection Agreement Between BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. dba AT&T Tennessee and Sprint Communications Company, L.P.*  
Docket No. 10-00043

**JOINT MOTION TO WITHDRAW PETITIONS AND TO CLOSE DOCKETS**

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a AT&T Tennessee ("AT&T Tennessee") and Sprint Communications Company L.P. ("Sprint CLEC"), Sprint Spectrum L.P. ("Sprint PCS"), Nextel South Corp. and NPCR, Inc. d/b/a Nextel Partners (together "Nextel") (Sprint PCS and Nextel, are collectively identified as "Sprint CMRS"; and Sprint CLEC and Sprint CMRS are collectively identified as "Sprint") file this Joint Motion to Withdraw Petitions and to Close Dockets. In support of this motion AT&T and Sprint state as follows:

1. On March 19, 2010, AT&T Tennessee filed its Petitions for Arbitration of an Interconnection Agreement with, respectively, Sprint CLEC and Sprint CMRS at the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("Authority").
2. On August 26, 2010, the Authority issued an Order Adopting Joint Procedural Schedule. In that Order, the Authority established certain dates for the filing of testimony, discovery requests and a hearing.

3. On January 24, 2011, the Authority's Hearing Officer issued an Order Modifying Joint Procedural Schedule and Continuing Hearing Date. A new hearing date has not been set.

5. In the course of the negotiations that were conducted by and between the parties, the parties have agreed to amend the current Sprint CLEC/Sprint PCS – AT&T interconnection agreements (as the agreement exists between Sprint CLEC, Sprint PCS and AT&T, and as the same has been adopted by Nextel), to extend their term to and including March 1, 2012. In view of that agreement, the parties desire to terminate all litigation arising from AT&T Tennessee's March 19, 2010 petitions and to close these arbitration dockets upon the parties' filing of the applicable Amendments to extend their existing interconnection agreements to March 1, 2012.

6. The parties anticipate the Amendments to extend their existing interconnection agreements will be finalized for filing with the Authority on or before Friday, February 25, 2011.

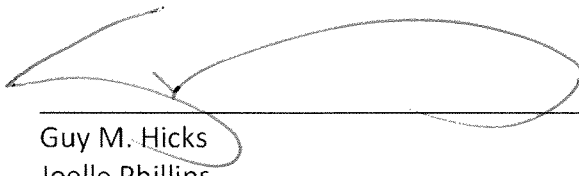
7. The granting of this Joint Motion will allow the Authority to conserve its valuable resources and will not prejudice any party.

8. Accordingly, based upon the foregoing, AT&T Tennessee and Sprint request that, *upon the filing of the applicable Amendments to extend their existing interconnection agreements*, the Authority enter an Order approving AT&T Tennessee's withdrawal of its Petitions for Arbitration of an Interconnection Agreement without prejudice, and closing these dockets.

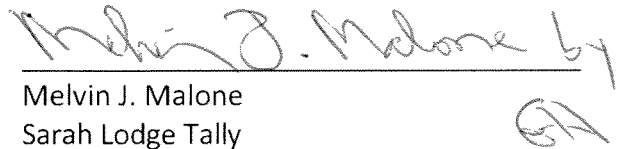
WHEREFORE, AT&T Tennessee and Sprint, respectfully request that the Authority enter an Order granting their Joint Motion to Withdraw Petitions and to Close Dockets as described herein.

Respectfully submitted,

BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS,  
INC., dba AT&T TENNESSEE



Guy M. Hicks  
Joelle Phillips  
BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.  
d/b/a AT&T Tennessee  
333 Commerce Street, Suite 2101  
Nashville, TN 37201-3300  
615 214 6301  
[jp3881@att.com](mailto:jp3881@att.com)  
[gh1402@att.com](mailto:gh1402@att.com)



Melvin J. Malone  
Sarah Lodge Tally  
Miller & Martin PLLC  
150 Fourth Avenue, North, Suite 1200  
Nashville, TN 37219  
Phone 615 744 8572  
[mmalone@millermartin.com](mailto:mmalone@millermartin.com)  
[stally@millermartin.com](mailto:stally@millermartin.com)

Susan J. Berlin  
Sprint Nextel  
Mail Stop: GAATLD0704  
3065 Akers Mill Rd., S.E., 7<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Atlanta, GA 30339-3166  
404 649 8983  
[susan.berlin@sprint.com](mailto:susan.berlin@sprint.com)

Joseph M. Chiarelli  
Sprint Communications  
6450 Sprint Parkway  
Mailstop: KSOPHN0214-2A671  
Overland Park, KS 66251  
913 315 9223  
[joe.m.chiarelli@sprint.com](mailto:joe.m.chiarelli@sprint.com)

ATTORNEYS FOR SPRINT

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on February 9, 2011, a copy of the foregoing document was served on the following, via the method indicated:

- ☐ Hand
- ☐ Mail
- ☐ Facsimile
- ☐ Overnight
- ☒ Electronic

Melvin Malone, Esquire  
Miller & Martin  
150 Fourth Ave., N., #1200  
Nashville, TN 37219  
[mmalone@millermartin.com](mailto:mmalone@millermartin.com)  
[stally@millermartin.com](mailto:stally@millermartin.com)

- ☐ Hand
- ☐ Mail
- ☐ Facsimile
- ☐ Overnight
- ☒ Electronic

Susan J. Berlin  
Sprint Nextel  
Mail Stop: GAATLD0704  
3065 Akers Mill Rd., S.E., 7<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Atlanta, GA 30339-3166  
[susan.berlin@sprint.com](mailto:susan.berlin@sprint.com)

- ☐ Hand
- ☐ Mail
- ☐ Facsimile
- ☐ Overnight
- ☒ Electronic

Joseph M. Chiarelli  
Sprint Communications  
6450 Sprint Parkway  
Mailstop KSOPHN0214-2A671  
Overland Park, KS 66251  
[Joe.m.chiarelli@sprint.com](mailto:Joe.m.chiarelli@sprint.com)

