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Hon. Mary Freeman, Chairman
Tennessee Regulatory Authority
460 James Robertson Parkway
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Re: *Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a AT&T Tennessee and Sprint Communications Company LP, Sprint Communications Company Limited Partnership and Sprint Spectrum LP Pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996*
Docket No. 11-00072

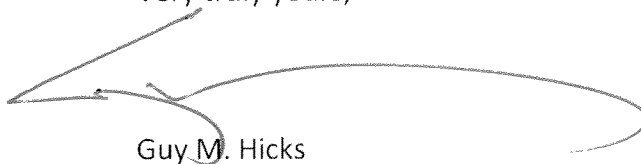
Dear Chairman Freeman:

Enclosed for filing in the referenced docket are the original and one copy of the *Petition for Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a AT&T Tennessee and Sprint Communications Company LP, Sprint Communications Company Limited Partnership and Sprint Spectrum LP.*

The Amendment extends the term of the parties' existing agreement.

AT&T Tennessee respectfully requests that the Authority approve the Agreement.

Very truly yours,



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BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY
Nashville, Tennessee

In re: *Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. dba AT&T Tennessee and Sprint Communications Company Limited Partnership, Sprint Communications Company LP and Sprint Spectrum, LP Pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996*

Docket No. _____

**PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF THE AMENDMENT TO THE INTERCONNECTION
AGREEMENT NEGOTIATED BETWEEN BELL SOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. DBA AT&T
TENNESSEE AND SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY LP, SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS
COMPANY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP AND SPRINT SPECTRUM LP**

COME NOW, Sprint Communications Company LP, Sprint Communications Company Limited Partnership and Sprint Spectrum, LP (collectively "Sprint") and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., dba AT&T Tennessee ("AT&T"), and file this request for approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement (the "Agreement") negotiated between the two companies pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, (the "Act"). In support of their request, Sprint and AT&T state the following:

1. The parties have recently negotiated an Amendment to the Agreement which extends the term of its existing agreement. A copy of the Amendment is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.
2. Pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Sprint and AT&T are submitting their Agreement to the TRA for its consideration and approval.
3. In accordance with Section 252(e) of the Act, the TRA is charged with approving or rejecting the negotiated Agreement between AT&T and Sprint within 90 days of its

submission. The Act provides that the TRA may only reject such an agreement if it finds that the agreement or any portion of the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement or the implementation of the agreement or any portion of the agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity.

4. Sprint and AT&T aver that the Agreement is consistent with the standards for approval.

5. Pursuant to 47 USC Section 252(i) and 47 C.F.R. Section 51.809, AT&T shall make available the entire Interconnection Agreement approved pursuant to 47 USC Section 252.

Sprint and AT&T respectfully request that the TRA approve the Agreement negotiated between the parties.

Respectfully submitted,

BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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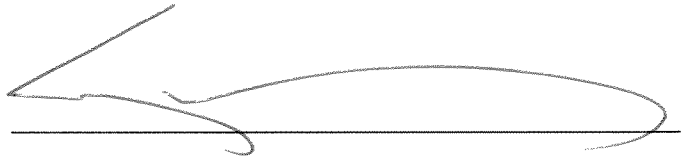
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**AMENDMENT TO THE INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP
SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY L.P.
SPRINT SPECTRUM L.P.
AND
BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. d/b/a AT&T ALABAMA,
AT&T FLORIDA, AT&T GEORGIA, AT&T KENTUCKY, AT&T LOUISIANA, AT&T MISSISSIPPI, AT&T
NORTH CAROLINA, AT&T SOUTH CAROLINA AND AT&T TENNESSEE**

Pursuant to this Amendment (the "Amendment") Sprint Communications Company Limited Partnership and Sprint Communications Company L.P., (collectively referred to as "Sprint CLEC"), a Delaware Limited Partnership, and Sprint Spectrum L.P., a Delaware Limited Partnership, as agent and General Partner for WirelessCo. L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, and SprintCom, Inc., a Kansas corporation, all foregoing entities jointly d/b/a Sprint PCS ("Sprint PCS") (Sprint CLEC and Sprint PCS collectively referred to as "Sprint"), and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.¹ d/b/a AT&T Alabama, AT&T Florida, AT&T Georgia, AT&T Kentucky, AT&T Louisiana, AT&T Mississippi, AT&T North Carolina, AT&T South Carolina and AT&T Tennessee ("AT&T ILECs"), a Georgia corporation, hereinafter referred to collectively as the "Parties" hereby agree to amend that certain Interconnection Agreement between the Parties effective January 1, 2001 ("the Agreement").

WHEREAS, Sprint and AT&T ILECs agree to amend the Agreement as set forth herein;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual provisions contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Sprint and AT&T ILECs hereby covenant and agree as follows:

1. The Parties agree to delete Section 2.1, General Terms and Conditions – Part A in its entirety and replace it with the following:

2. Term of the Agreement

2.1 This Agreement is extended and shall expire as of March 1, 2013. Upon mutual agreement of the Parties, the term of this Agreement may be extended. If, as of the expiration of this Agreement, a Subsequent Agreement (as defined in Section 3.1 below) has not been executed by the Parties, this Agreement shall continue on a month-to-month basis.

2. The Parties agree to delete Section 3.1, General Terms and Conditions – Part A in its entirety and replace it with the following:

3. Renewal


¹ BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. is now doing business in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee as AT&T Alabama, AT&T Florida, AT&T Georgia, AT&T Kentucky, AT&T Louisiana, AT&T Mississippi, AT&T North Carolina, AT&T South Carolina and AT&T Tennessee


- 3.1 Sprint, but not BellSouth, may request the commencement of negotiations for a Subsequent Agreement at any time between three hundred sixty five (365) and one hundred eighty (180) days prior to the expiration of this Agreement. Either Sprint or BellSouth may request the commencement of negotiations for a Subsequent Agreement between one hundred and eighty (180) days and one hundred sixty (160) days prior to the expiration of this Agreement.
3. Either or both of the Parties shall submit the conforming ICA Amendment to the appropriate Commission for approval subject to section 252(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996. Said amendments shall be filed with and are subject to approval by the appropriate Commission.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement the day and year written below


Sprint Communications Company
Limited Partnership

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a
AT&T Alabama, AT&T Florida, AT&T Georgia,
AT&T Kentucky, AT&T Louisiana, AT&T
Mississippi, AT&T North Carolina, AT&T South
Carolina and AT&T Tennessee by AT&T
Services, Inc., its authorized agent


By: 
Name: PAUL W SCHIEBER
Title: VP ACCESS & ROAMING PLAN
Date: 7/12/11

By: 
Name: Patrick R. Doherty
Title: Director - Regulatory
Date: APR 18 2011

Sprint Communications Company L.P.

By: 
Name: PAUL W SCHIEBER
Title: VP ACCESS & ROAMING PLAN
Date: 7/12/11

Sprint Spectrum L.P.

By: 
Name: PAUL W SCHIEBER
Title: VP ACCESS & ROAMING PLAN
Date: 7/12/11

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