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Missouri Public Service Commission

Secretary Missouri Public Service Commission 200 Madison Street, Suite 650 P. O. Box 360 Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

Re:

In the Matter of the Investigation of the State of Competition in the Exchanges of

Sprint Missouri, Inc. Case No. IO-2003-0281

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Please find attached are an original and nine (9) copies of Sprint's Moiton to Withdraw Its Motion for Joinder of Parties in the above referenced matter. Please return a file stamped copy of same. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me..

Thank you for your assistance.

Very truly yours,

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Parties of Record



BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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Sprint Missouri Inc.)	

SPRINT'S MOTION TO WITHDRAW ITS MOTION FOR JOINDER OF PARTIES

COMES NOW Sprint Missouri, Inc., (hereinafter "Sprint") and for its Motion to Withdraw its Motion for Joinder of Parties states as follows:

- 1. The Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") opened this investigation on February 14, 2003 to investigate the status of competition in Sprint's exchanges.
- 2. On March 6, 2003, the National ALEC Association/Prepaid Communications Association (hereinafter "NALA/PCA") filed its Application to Intervene. As part of its Application, NALA/PCA stated that seven (7) of its members have basic local telecommunications service certificates issued by the Missouri Public Service Commission (PSC) Specifically, NALA/PCA noted the following members as being certificated: (1) 1-800-Reconex, Inc.; (2) CAT Communications International, Inc.; (3) DPI Teleconnect, LLC; (4) EZ Talk Communications, LLC; (5) Local LineAmerica, Inc.; (6) Metro Teleconnect Companies, Inc.; and (7) NOW Communications, Inc. Sprint did not oppose the NALA/PCA's Application for Intervention.
- 3. On March 17, 2003, Sprint filed a Motion for Joinder of Parties. Specifically, Sprint requested that the above mentioned seven (7) NALA/PCA members doing business in Missouri as CLECs be individually made a party to the case. Sprint's basis for its Motion was

that it anticipated discovery for all seven (7) CLECs given the substantial reasons that NALA/PCA gave in its Application for Intervention.

4. On April 14, NALA/PCA filed a Motion for Leave to Withdraw stating that it no longer wishes to participate in this matter. The Commission granted NALA/PCA's request on April 25.

5. Due to the withdrawal of NALA/PCA, Sprint no longer anticipates discovery from the seven (7) individual CLECs and, therefore, no longer seeks their direct involvement in this case. Sprint is not opposed to any of the sever (7) CLECs filing an individual Application to Intervene should they desire to participate directly now that NALA/PCA has been granted its motion.

WHEREFORE, for the reasons stated above, Sprint respectfully withdraws its request to join the following seven (7) parties to this case: (1) 1-800-Reconex, Inc.; (2) CAT Communications International, Inc.; (3) DPI Teleconnect, LLC; (4) EZ Talk Communications, LLC; (5) Local LineAmerica, Inc.; (6) Metro Teleconnect Companies, Inc. and (7) NOW Communications, Inc.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the above and foregoing was served on each of the following parties by first-class/electronic/facsimile mail, this 29th day of April, 2003.

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