OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Investigation of the State of Competition in the Exchanges of Sprint Missouri, Inc.)

Case No. IO-2003-0281

CONCURRING OPINION OF COMMISSIONER CONNIE MURRAY

I generally concur in today's decision but I write separately to indicate that I would have reached a different result as to Sprint's directory assistance and local operator services. I believe that Sprint submitted sufficient evidence to establish that it faces effective competition for those services on a statewide basis and I would have found that those services are competitive in each of Sprint's exchanges instead of only in the Kearney, Rolla and Norborne exchanges.

For that reason I respectfully concur in the decision.

Respectfully submitted,

Connie Murray, Commissioner

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 4th day of December, 2003.