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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURIMissouri Public
Service Commission

In the Matter of the Tariff Filing of)	
Sprint Missouri, Inc. d/b/a Sprint)	<u>Case No. IT-2003-0292</u>
to Increase the Rate for the)	Tariff No. JI-2003-1401
Metropolitan Calling Area Plan)	

MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE PRE-HEARING CONFERENCES

Comes now Sprint Missouri, Inc. (Sprint), pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.110 (3) and hereby requests that the Pre-Hearing Conference set in this case run simultaneously or consecutively with the Pre-Hearing Conference set in Case No. IT-2003-0293. Further, Sprint requests that the Consolidated Pre-Hearing Conferences occur on March 13, 2003 at 10:00 AM, the date and time set for a Pre-Hearing Conference in this case. In support of this motion, Sprint states as follows:

1. On January 28, 2003, Sprint filed the tariff that initiated this case. The Sprint tariff seeks to increase residential and business prices for its Metropolitan Calling Area (MCA) Plan. On February 20, 2003, the Commission suspended the tariff until November 28, 2002. On February 27, 2003, the Commission issued an Order setting a Pre-Hearing Conference for March 13, 2003.

2. On January 30, 2003, Sprint also filed a tariff that initiated Case No. IT-2003-0293. The Sprint tariff filed in that case seeks to increase the maximum allowable rates for Sprint's business and residential MCA Plan offerings. On February 20, 2003, the Commission suspended the tariff until November 30, 2002. On February 27, 2003, the Commission issued an order setting a Pre-Hearing Conference for March 14, 2003.

3. Both cases involve tariff filings that seek to increase rates for Sprint's MCA plan and both tariff filings have been suspended until the end of November 2003. Further, both will raise similar legal issues. Therefore, to avoid unnecessary cost and redundancies, Sprint requests that the cases be consolidated for Pre-Hearing Conferences. At the Pre-Hearing Conference, Sprint anticipates that the parties will discuss consolidating the cases for all remaining activity.

4. Sprint, Staff and the Office of Public Council (OPC) are parties to both Case Nos. IT-2003-0292 and Case No. IT-2003-0293. SBC MO filed a motion to intervene in Case No. IT-2003-0292. Staff, OPC and SBC MO do not object to consolidating these cases for joint and/or back to back Pre-Hearing Conferences on March 13, 2003 at 10:00 AM.

WHEREFORE, Sprint Missouri, Inc. requests that Case No IT 2003-0292 and Case No IT-2003-0293 be consolidated for the purpose of the Pre-Hearing Conference and that the Consolidated Pre-Hearing Conference be set on March 13, 2003 at 10:00 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

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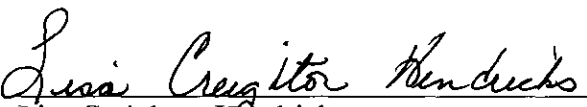
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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 5th day of March, 2003.

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