

**STATE OF MISSOURI  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 30th day of March, 2006.

In the Matter of Embarq Communications, Inc.'s	)	
Tariff to Reflect a Name Change from	)	<b><u>Case No. TN-2006-0364</u></b>
Sprint Long Distance, Inc., to Embarq	)	<b><u>Tariff No. YX-2006-0731</u></b>
Communications, Inc.	)	

**ORDER RECOGNIZING CHANGE OF CORPORATE NAME  
AND APPROVING TARIFF SHEETS ON EXPEDITED BASIS**

Issue Date: March 30, 2006

Effective Date: April 3, 2006

On March 23, 2006, Sprint Long Distance, Inc., filed an application with the Public Service Commission seeking recognition of a change of name from Sprint Long Distance, Inc., to Embarq Communications, Inc. With the application for name change, Sprint also filed revised tariff sheets reflecting the new name and a Motion for Expedited Treatment seeking approval of its tariff by April 3, 2006. In its Motion for Expedited Treatment, Sprint claims no textual changes to the tariff are necessary except to replace Sprint Long Distance, Inc., with Embarq Communications, Inc., that no customer will be harmed by expedited approval of the tariff as no rate, term or condition of any service is changed, and that there are numerous steps that must be completed in order to effectuate the transfer of control.

Sprint included with its initial filing a certificate from the Missouri Secretary of State indicating the change of name from Sprint Long Distance, Inc., to Embarq

Communications, Inc. The applicant was certificated to provide interexchange telecommunications services in Commission Case No. LA-2006-0075.

The Staff of the Commission filed a memorandum on March 27, 2006, stating that it had reviewed the applicant's filing and proposed tariff sheets and had no objection to its approval. The Staff recommended that the new name be recognized, that the proposed tariff sheets be approved to become effective on April 3, 2006, and advised the Commission that applicant's customers had been notified of the name change. The Staff notes that the name change continues the process begun in the transfer of control case, Case No. IO-2006-0086, wherein Sprint proposed to transfer customers to Embarq on or about April 29, 2006. Sprint seeks authority to use the new name in advance of that date. The Staff has no objection to the request for expedited treatment.

The Commission has reviewed Sprint's filing, the proposed tariff sheets, and Staff's recommendation and finds that the new name should be recognized. The Commission further finds that Sprint has complied with Rule 4 CSR 240-2.080(16) regarding expedited treatment in that it has provided the date by which the Commission is requested to act, shown that there will be no negative effect on its customers, and stated that it filed its pleadings as soon as it could have after receiving all necessary documentation. The Commission finds that the proposed tariff sheets reflecting the name should be approved in an expedited manner.

**IT IS ORDERED THAT:**

1. The new name of Sprint Long Distance, Inc., as Embarq Communications, Inc., is recognized.

2. The Motion for Expedited Treatment is granted.
3. Embarq Communications, Inc.'s tariff, identified in Commission records as P.S.C. Mo. Tariff No. 1 Interexchange Telecommunications Services Tariff, YX-2006-0731, is approved to become effective on April 3, 2006.
4. This order shall become effective on April 3, 2006.
5. This case may be closed on April 4, 2006.

**BY THE COMMISSION**



Colleen M. Dale  
Secretary

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Davis, Chm., Murray, Gaw, Clayton and Appling, CC., concur  
Reed, Regulatory Law Judge