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VIA AIRBORNE EXPRESS

Mr. Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge
Missouri Public Service Commission
301 W. High Street, Suite 530
Jefferson City, Missouri 65101

Missouri Public Service Commission

Re:

Application of Southwestern Bell Telephone Company to Provide Notice of Intent to File an Application for Authorization to Provide In-Region InterLATA Services Originating in Missouri Pursuant to Section 271 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996

Case No. TO-99-227

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing, please find the original and fifteen (15) copies of Sprint Communications Company L.P.'s Application for Intervention in the above-styled proceeding.

Please provide a filed-stamped copy to me in the self-addressed stamped envelope. Please call me at 913-624-6839 if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Very truly yours,

Kenneth A. Schifman

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI



Application of Southwestern Bell) Telephone Company to Provide)	Missouri Public Service Commissior
Notice of Intent to File an Application) Cas	e No. TO-99-227
for Authorization to Provide)	
In-Region InterLATA Services)	
Originating in Missouri Pursuant to)	
Section 271 of the)	
Telecommunications Act of 1996)	

SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY L.P.'S APPLICATION FOR INTERVENTION

Sprint Communications Company L.P. (Sprint) hereby files this Application pursuant to § 386.420 RSMo (1994) and 4 CSR 240-2.075(1)-(4), and respectfully seeks leave to intervene in the above-captioned proceeding. In support of its Application, Sprint states:

- 1. Sprint is a Delaware limited partnership duly authorized to conduct business in Missouri with its principal office at 8140 Ward Parkway, Kansas City, Missouri 64114.
- 2. All correspondence, pleadings, orders, decisions and communications regarding this proceeding should be sent to:

Kenneth A. Schifman, Esq. Sprint Communications Company L.P. 8140 Ward Parkway, 5E Kansas City, Missouri 64114 Phone: (913) 624-6839 FAX (913) 624-5504

3. Sprint is an authorized provider of intrastate interexchange telecommunications services in Missouri under certificates granted by this Commission, as well as an authorized provider of interstate interexchange

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telecommunications services under a certificate granted by the Federal Communications Commission. In addition, Sprint has been granted a certificate of service authority to provide local exchange telecommunications service in the state of Missouri as a competitive local exchange carrier.

- 4. Sprint accepts the record in this matter prior to it being granted intervention.
- 5. Sprint's interest in this proceeding as a telecommunications provider in both competitive interexchange and local exchange markets is different from the interests of the general public. Sprint opposes SWBT's application for interLATA authority in Missouri because SWBT has not complied with Section 271 of the Federal Telecom Act. In addition, granting of this intervention will be in the public interest because Sprint will bring to this proceeding its expertise and experience as a telecommunications provider and its experience in participating in similar 271 proceedings in other states.

WHEREFORE, for the reasons stated above, Sprint respectfully requests the Commission to grant this Application to Intervene.

Respectfully submitted,

Sprint Communications Company L.P.

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