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Cully Dale Missouri Public Service Commission 200 Madison Street PO Box 360 Jefferson City, Missouri 65102-0360

Name Change Request of Sprint Long Distance, Inc. to Embarq Communications,

Inc.

Dear Mr. Dale:

Pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.060(5) and (5)(A), Sprint Long Distance, Inc. ("SLDI") respectfully requests that the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") approve its name change from Sprint Long Distance, Inc. to Embarq Communications, Inc. ("Embarq").

On August 19, 2005, in Case No. LA-2006-0075, SLDI was granted a Certificate of Convenience and Authority to engage in the business of providing interexchange telecommunications services. SLDI's approved interexchange services tariff for Missouri is currently on file with the Commission. SLDI is in compliance with Annual Report requirements, and is current with its Missouri USF and Commission assessments.

Embarq Communications, Inc. is properly registered with the Missouri Secretary of State's office, and is "Active and in Good Standing" with that office. As required by 4 CSR 240-2.060(5)(B) attached is evidence of registration of the name change with the Missouri Secretary of State. In addition, a replacement tariff reflecting the Embarq name is attached in compliance with 4 CSR 240-2.060(5)(C). A Motion for Expedited Treatment is also attached requesting that the tariff be approved in 10 days, or on April 3, 2006. As the Motion recites, there is no change to the rates, terms or conditions of the tariff but merely a substitution of the name Embarq Communications, Inc. for Sprint Long Distance, Inc.

This name change will have no impact on customers or their service. Existing business and residential customers of SLDI have been provided notice of this name change. A copy of such notice has also been attached.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda K. Gardner

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cc: Bill Voight



Your telecommunications company is becoming EMBARQ

<u>IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING YOUR SPRINT LONG DISTANCE SERVICE</u>

March 17, 2006

<Long Distance Account Number>

Dear <First Name><Last Name>,

We are contacting you about an upcoming change to your long distance service. We recently told you about EMBARQ™, your new local telecommunications company. As we explained, EMBARQ will not be part of the Sprint Nextel family of companies.

As a result of this separation, Sprint Communications Company L.P., your current long distance provider, will transfer your long distance service to Embarq Communications, Inc. The transfer of your services will begin on or about April 29, 2006, and should conclude on or about May 7, 2006. After the transfer is complete, Embarq Communications, Inc. will replace Sprint Communications Company L.P. as the long distance service provider listed on your invoice. These changes are subject to obtaining all required regulatory approvals, and the filing of all appropriate documents with state agencies.

Please be assured that this transition will have no impact on your services whatsoever. You will continue to receive uninterrupted service at the same high level of quality you have come to expect. You will also retain your current plan, rates, features, Terms and Conditions of Service, and your current customer service contacts.* You will not incur any charges related to the transfer of service to Embarq Communications, Inc., and no action is required from you regarding this transfer.

All customers have a choice in carriers for their long distance service. If you choose a different carrier for your long distance service, you may incur a fee for transferring your service. However, Sprint Missouri will not charge such fees for a period of 30 days following the transfer of your service. Should you choose to stay with Sprint or select another carrier for your long distance service, you may lose certain "bundled" discounts or special offers you may currently enjoy on your local and long distance service.

Under Federal Communications Commission rules, any restrictions or "freezes" you may have placed on your account to block changes to your preferred long distance carrier will be removed as part of the transfer process. If you wish to reinstate such restrictions, have any questions about the transfer, need any assistance, or if you have any complaints before, during, and after this transfer process, please contact customer service at 866-283-9732.

We welcome you to EMBARQ and look forward to providing you with reliable, innovative products and services for years to come.

Sincerely,

Harry Campbell

President, Consumer Markets

^{*} Customers with a bundled product (a combination of local products that qualify them for a specific long distance plan) who make a change to that bundle of services will be moved to an appropriate qualifying long distance plan. Specific details regarding the long distance plan may be found at www.embarq.com/tariffs.



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IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING YOUR SPRINT BUSINESS LONG DISTANCE SERVICE

March 17, 2006

<Long Distance Account Number>

Dear Valued Business Customer:

We want to let you know about an upcoming change to your business long distance service. Our local telecommunications division is being separated from Sprint Nextel to become an independent company − EMBARQ™. If you have local services from Sprint, you should have already received information about these plans.

As a part of this process, and as allowed under your terms of service, Sprint Communications Company L.P., your current long distance provider, will assign your business long distance service agreement to Embarq Communications, Inc., an affiliate of Sprint Communications Company L.P. The transfer of your business long distance service will begin on or about April 29, 2006, and should conclude on or about May 7, 2006. After the transfer is complete, Embarq Communications, Inc. will replace Sprint Communications Company L.P. as the long distance service provider listed on your invoice.

This transition will have no other impacts on your business long distance service. The transfer will occur automatically; no action is required on your part. You will continue to receive the same quality of service that you currently enjoy. Embarq Communications, Inc. will be responsible for handling any questions or complaints you may have before, during, and after this transfer process.

The transfer will not affect your rates or terms of service, including the right to choose a different long distance carrier. Should you choose any carrier other than Embarq Communications, Inc. for your long distance service, please be aware that any discounts or other benefits you may enjoy as a result of combining your local and long distance service with one provider will be lost. Any early termination liabilities associated with your long distance service may also apply.

Under Federal Communications Commission rules, any restrictions or "freezes" you may have placed on your account to block changes to your preferred business long distance carrier will be removed as a part of the transfer process. Your local carrier can reinstate such restrictions if you wish. You may visit www.sprint.com/pic for further information.

If you have any questions about the transfer of your business long distance service, please call us at 1-866-407-6523. We look forward to providing you with outstanding products and services.

Sincerely,

Tom McEvoy

President, Business Markets