

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Investigation into
pricing of unbundled network
elements (Sprint/Verizon track).

DOCKET NO. 990649B-TP
ORDER NO. PSC-02-0452-CFO-TP
ISSUED: April 3, 2002

ORDER GRANTING REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION
OF DOCUMENT NO. 15871-01

On December 20, 2001, Sprint-Florida, Incorporated (Sprint) filed a request for confidential classification. In its request, Sprint seeks confidential treatment of its response to Staff's Request for Production of Documents, Request No. 15 (Document No. 15871-01). The documents that are the subject of this response are:

- a. FCC Forms 477 - Local Competition and Broadband Reporting; file data as of: December 31, 1999; June 30, 2000; December 31, 2000; June 30, 2001.
- b. Florida Competitive Reviews: 01/05/2000;
01/19/2000; 02/02/2000; 02/16/2000; 03/01/2000;
03/15/2000; 03/29/2000; 04/12/2000; 04/26/2000;
05/10/2000; 05/24/2000; 06/07/2000; 06/21/2000;
07/06/2000; 07/21/2000; 08/07/2000; 08/18/00;
08/30/00; 09/13/00; 09/27/00; 10/11/00; 10/25/00;
11/08/00; 12/06/00; 01/10/01; 01/10/01; 01/24/01;
02/07/01; 02/21/01; 3/07/01; 03/21/01; 04/04/01;
04/18/01; 05/02/01; 05/16/01; 05/30/01; 06/13/01;
06/27/01; 07/11/01; 07/25/01; 08/08/01; 08/22/01;
09/05/01 and 09/19/01.

Sprint explains that the response contains competitive market and competitor-specific information. Sprint maintains that if this information is released, it would impair Sprint's efforts to develop competitive service offerings and pricing to meet competition. Sprint asserts that it treats this information as confidential and that it has not otherwise been released.

Florida law presumes that documents submitted to governmental agencies shall be public records. The only exceptions to this presumption are the specific statutory exemptions provided in the law and exemptions granted by governmental agencies pursuant to the specific terms of a statutory provision. This presumption is based

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on the concept that government should operate in the "sunshine." Rule 25-22.006(4)(c), Florida Administrative Code, provides that it is the Company's burden to demonstrate that the documents fall into one of the statutory examples set out in Section 364.183, Florida Statutes, or to demonstrate that the information is proprietary confidential information, the disclosure of which will cause the Company or its ratepayers harm.

Section 364.183(3), Florida Statutes, in pertinent part, provides:

The term "proprietary confidential business information" means information, regardless of form or characteristics, which is owned or controlled by the person or company, is intended to be and is treated by the person or company as private in that the disclosure of the information would cause harm to the ratepayers or the person's or company's business operations, and has not been disclosed unless disclosed pursuant to a statutory provision, an order of a court or administrative body, or private agreement that provides that the information will not be released to the public.

Based on the definition of proprietary confidential business information in Section 364.183(3), Florida Statutes, it appears that the material described herein is proprietary business information in accordance with Section 364.183, Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code. Disclosure of this information could be detrimental to Sprint's ability to develop competitive service offerings and pricing to meet competition. As such, Sprint's Request for Confidential Classification of Document No. 15871-01 is hereby granted.

Based on the foregoing, it is

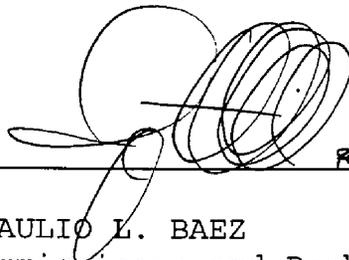
ORDERED by Braulio L. Baez, as Prehearing Officer, that the Request for Confidential Classification of Document No. 15871-01 filed by Sprint-Florida, Incorporated is hereby granted. It is further

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ORDERED that pursuant to Section 364.183, Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code, the confidentiality granted to the material specified herein shall expire eighteen (18) months from the date of the issuance of this Order, in the absence of a renewed request for confidentiality pursuant to Section 364.183, Florida Statutes. It is further

ORDERED that this Order will be the only notification by the Commission to the parties concerning the expiration of the confidentiality time period.

By ORDER of Commissioner Braulio L. Baez, as Prehearing Officer, this 3rd Day of April, 2002.

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a large, stylized 'B' followed by 'L. BAEZ'. The signature is written over a horizontal line.

BRAULIO L. BAEZ
Commissioner and Prehearing Officer

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NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.569(1), Florida Statutes, to notify parties of any administrative hearing or judicial review of Commission orders that is available under Sections 120.57 or 120.68, Florida Statutes, as well as the procedures and time limits that apply. This notice should not be construed to mean all requests for an administrative hearing or judicial review will be granted or result in the relief sought.

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Mediation may be available on a case-by-case basis. If mediation is conducted, it does not affect a substantially interested person's right to a hearing.

Any party adversely affected by this order, which is preliminary, procedural or intermediate in nature, may request: (1) reconsideration within 10 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.0376, Florida Administrative Code, if issued by a Prehearing Officer; (2) reconsideration within 15 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code, if issued by the Commission; or (3) judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court, in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility, or the First District Court of Appeal, in the case of a water or wastewater utility. A motion for reconsideration shall be filed with the Director, Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services, in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code. Judicial review of a preliminary, procedural or intermediate ruling or order is available if review of the final action will not provide an adequate remedy. Such review may be requested from the appropriate court, as described above, pursuant to Rule 9.100, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.