BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Complaint of KMC Telecom III LLC DOCKET NO. 050581-TP and KMC Telecom V, Inc. against Sprint-ORDER NO. PSC-06-0418-FOF-TP Incorporated and Sprint ISSUED: May 18, 2006 Florida. Limited Communications Company Partnership for alleged failure to pay intrastate access charges pursuant to interconnection agreement and Sprint's tariffs, and for alleged violation of Section 364.16(3)(a), F.S.

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

LISA POLAK EDGAR, Chairman J. TERRY DEASON ISILIO ARRIAGA MATTHEW M. CARTER II KATRINA J. TEW

ORDER ACKNOWLEDGING VOLUNTARY DISMISSAL

BY THE COMMISSION:

On August 30, 2005, KMC Telecom III LLC and KMC Telecom V, Inc. (KMC) filed its Complaint against Sprint-Florida, Incorporated and Sprint Communications Company, Limited Partnership (Collectively, <u>Sprint</u>) for failure to pay intrastate access charges pursuant to interconnection agreement and tariffs, and for violation of Section 364.16(3)(a), Florida Statutes. On September 20, 2005, Sprint-FL and Sprint LP filed their Answer and Affirmative Defenses to KMC's Complaint.

On January 23, 2006, Order No. PSC-06-0054-PCO-TP was issued setting forth the procedures and schedule for the conduct of this docket, including hearing dates. However, on April 21, 2006, the parties filed their Stipulation for Dismissal With Prejudice. That Stipulation notified this Commission that the parties had resolved all the issues between them which had constituted the basis of this docket and requested that we acknowledge the stipulated voluntary dismissal of the Complaint.

The law is clear that the plaintiff's right to take a voluntary dismissal is absolute. <u>Fears</u> <u>v. Lunsford</u>, 314 So.2d 578, 579 (Fla. 1975). It is also established civil law that once a timely voluntary dismissal is taken, the trial court loses its jurisdiction to act. <u>Randle-Eastern</u> <u>Ambulance Service, Inc. v. Vasta</u>, 360 So.2d 68, 69 (Fla. 1978).

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Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that KMC's Stipulation for Dismissal With Prejudice is hereby acknowledged. It is further

ORDERED that any pending motions are rendered moot, and all confidential materials filed in this Docket shall be returned to the filing party. It is further

ORDERED that this Docket shall be closed.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this <u>18th</u> day of <u>May</u>, <u>2006</u>.

BLANCA S. BAYO, Director Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services

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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.

Any party adversely affected by the Commission's final action in this matter may request: 1) reconsideration of the decision by filing a motion for reconsideration with the Director, Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, within fifteen (15) days of the issuance of this order in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code; or 2) 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 and/or wastewater utility by filing a notice of appeal with ORDER NO. PSC-06-0418-FOF-TP DOCKET NO. 050581-TP PAGE 3

the Director, Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services and filing a copy of the notice of appeal and the filing fee with the appropriate court. This filing must be completed within thirty (30) days after the issuance of this order, pursuant to Rule 9.110, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure. The notice of appeal must be in the form specified in Rule 9.900(a), Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.