

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition by Sprint  
Communications Company Limited  
Partnership for arbitration with  
Verizon Florida Inc. pursuant to  
Section 251/252 of the  
Telecommunications Act of 1996.

DOCKET NO. 010795-TP  
ORDER NO. PSC-03-0952-FOF-TP  
ISSUED: August 22, 2003

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of  
this matter:

BRAULIO L. BAEZ  
RUDOLPH "RUDY" BRADLEY

ORDER APPROVING ARBITRATED INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT BETWEEN  
SPRINT AND VERIZON

BY THE COMMISSION:

On June 1, 2001, Sprint Communications Company Limited Partnership (Sprint) filed a Petition for Arbitration pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 252(b) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (Act), seeking arbitration of certain unresolved terms and conditions of a proposed renewal of its interconnection agreement with Verizon Florida, Inc. f/k/a GTE Florida, Incorporated (Verizon). Verizon filed a response and the matter was set for hearing.

In Sprint's petition, 15 issues were enumerated for arbitration. Prior to the administrative hearing, the parties resolved or agreed to stipulate a number of those issues. The administrative hearing was held on January 17, 2002. On January 7, 2003, Order No. PSC-03-0048-FOF-TP, Final Order on Arbitration, was issued.

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On February 5, 2003, Sprint and Verizon filed a Joint Motion for Extension of Time to file an interconnection agreement. On February 12, 2003, Order No. PSC-03-0212-PCO-TP was issued granting this Motion.

On February 12, 2003, Sprint and Verizon filed a Second Joint Motion for Extension of Time, which was granted by Order No. PSC-03-0229-PCO-TP, issued February 18, 2003.

On February 28, 2003, Verizon filed a Motion for Approval of Interconnection, Resale, Unbundling and Collocation Agreement with Sprint, though the attached agreement was unsigned. (Verizon Motion)

On February 28, 2003, Sprint filed a Motion to Resolve Disputed Language. This pleading also contained an unsigned agreement. While Verizon and Sprint agreed on most of the language to be included in their agreement, they continued to disagree on how certain arbitration rulings should be memorialized in their contract. Specifically, Verizon and Sprint did not agree on language to define "Local Traffic," multi-jurisdictional trunks, and Sprint VAD/00- traffic. Verizon and Sprint also did not agree on language reflecting the current state of the Commission's UNE pricing for Verizon.

On March 7, 2003, Verizon filed its Opposition to Sprint's Motion to Resolve Disputed Language. On March 10, 2003 Sprint filed its Opposition to Verizon's Motion for approval of interconnection agreement. By Order No. PSC-03-0637-FOF-TP, issued May 27, 2003, we specified which language, where the parties were in disagreement, should be included in the final interconnection agreement.

On June 26, 2003, Verizon filed its final executed Interconnection Agreement with Sprint pursuant to Order Nos. PSC-03-0048-FOF-TP and PSC-03-0637-FOF-TP. We have reviewed the agreement and have determined that it complies with our decisions in the above referenced orders, as well as the Act. Therefore, we approve the arbitrated Interconnection Agreement between Verizon and Sprint in Docket No. 010795-TP.

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Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that the final executed Interconnection Agreement between Sprint Communications Company Limited Partnership and Verizon Florida, Inc. f/k/a GTE Florida, Incorporated, is hereby approved. It is further

ORDERED that this docket shall be closed.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this 22nd Day of August, 2003.

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

By: Marcia Sharma  
Marcia Sharma, Assistant 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 in Federal district court pursuant to the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996, 47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(6).