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Ms. Blanca S. Bayó, Director Division of the Commission Clerk & Administrative Services Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850



Re: Docket No. 981834-TP & 990321-TP

Dear Ms. Bayó:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of Sprint are the original and 15 copies of the Sprint Florida, Incorporated's General Objections to AT&T Communications of the Southern States, LLC's Third Set of Interrogatories (Nos. 15-17).

Copies are being served on the parties in this docket via electronic and US mail.

Please acknowledge receipt of this filing by stamping and initialing a copy of this letter and returning same to the courier. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at 850/599-1560.

Sincerely,

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### **BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

DOCKET NO. 981834-TP

In re: Petition of Competitive Carriers for Commission action to support local competition in BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.'s service territory.

In re: Petition of ACI Corp. d/b/a Accelerated DOCKET NO. 990321-TP Connections, Inc. for generic investigation to ensure that BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., Sprint-Florida, Incorporated, and GTE Florida Incorporated comply with obligation to provide alternative local exchange carriers with flexible, timely, and cost-efficient physical collocation.

# SPRINT -FLORIDA, INCORPORATED'S GENERAL OBJECTIONS TO AT&T COMMUNICATIONS OF THE SOUTHERN STATES, LLC's THIRD SET OF INTERROGATORIES (Nos. 15-17)

Sprint-Florida, Incorporated ("Sprint"), pursuant to Rule 28-106.206, Florida Administrative Code, and Rules 1.340 and 1.280(b), Florida Rules of Civil Procedure, hereby submits the following Objections to AT&T Communications of the Southern States, LLC's ("AT&T's") Third Set of Interrogatories (Nos. 15-17).

## **INTRODUCTION**

The objections stated herein are preliminary in nature and are made at this time for the purpose of complying with the ten-day requirement set forth in Order No. PSC-02-1513-PCO-TP ("Procedural Order") issued by the Florida Public Service Commission ("Commission") in the above-referenced docket. Should additional grounds for objection be discovered as Sprint prepares its responses to the above-referenced requests, Sprint reserves the right to supplement, revise, or modify its objections at the time that it serves its responses on AT&T. Moreover, should Sprint determine that a Protective Order is necessary with respect to any of the material

requested by AT&T, Sprint reserves the right to file a motion with the Commission seeking such a order at the time that it serves its answers and responses on AT&T.

#### **GENERAL OBJECTIONS**

Sprint makes the following General Objections to AT&T's Third Set of Interrogatories (Nos. 15-17) ("Third IRR"). These general objections apply to each of the individual requests and interrogatories in the Third IRR, respectively, and will be incorporated by reference into Sprint's answers when they are served on AT&T.

1. Sprint objects to the requests to the extent that such requests seek to impose an obligation on Sprint to respond on behalf of subsidiaries, affiliates, or other persons that are not parties to this case on the grounds that such requests are overly broad, unduly burdensome, oppressive, and not permitted by applicable discovery rules.

2. Sprint has interpreted AT&T's requests to apply to Sprint's regulated intrastate operations in Florida and will limit its responses accordingly. To the extent that any request is intended to apply to matters other than Florida intrastate operations subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission, Sprint objects to such request to produce as irrelevant, overly broad, unduly burdensome, and oppressive.

3. Sprint objects to each and every request and instruction to the extent that such request or instruction calls for information that is exempt from discovery by virtue of the attorney-client privilege, work product privilege, or other applicable privilege.

4. Sprint objects to each and every request insofar as the request is vague, ambiguous, overly broad, imprecise, or utilizes terms that are subject to multiple interpretations but are not properly defined or explained for purposes of these requests. Any responses provided by Sprint to AT&T's requests will be provided subject to, and without waiver of, the foregoing objection.

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5. Sprint objects to each and every request insofar as the request is not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence and is not relevant to the subject matter of this action. Sprint will attempt to note in its responses each instance where this objection applies.

6. Sprint objects to AT&T's discovery requests, instructions and definitions, insofar as they seek to impose obligation on Sprint that exceed the requirements of the Florida Rules of Civil Procedure or Florida Law.

7. Sprint objects to providing information to the extent that such information is already in the public record before the Commission, or elsewhere.

8. Sprint objects to each and every request, insofar as it is unduly burdensome, expensive, oppressive, or excessively time consuming as written.

9. Sprint objects to each and every request to the extent that the information requested constitutes "trade secrets" which are privileged pursuant to Section 90.506, Florida Statutes. To the extent that AT&T's requests proprietary confidential business information which is not subject to the "trade secrets" privilege, Sprint will make such information available to counsel for AT&T pursuant to an appropriate Protective Agreement, subject to any other general or specific objections contained herein.

10. Sprint is a large corporation with employees located in many different locations in Florida and in other states. In the course of its business, Sprint creates countless documents that are not subject to Commission or FCC retention of records requirements. These documents are kept in numerous locations that are frequently moved from site to site as employees change jobs or as the business is reorganized. Therefore, it is possible that not every document will be provided in response to these discovery requests. Rather, Sprint's responses will provide, subject

to any applicable objections, all of the information obtained by Sprint after a reasonable and diligent search conducted in connection with these requests. Sprint shall conduct a search of those files that are reasonably expected to contain the requested information. To the extent that the discovery requests purport to require more, Sprint objects on the grounds that compliance would impose an undue burden or expense. To the extent that AT&T requests herein documents that have previously been produced to other parties in response to previous discovery, then without limiting any of the foregoing objections, Sprint incorporates herein by reference its objections to that previous discovery.

DATED this 8th day of September 2003.

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