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## BY HAND DELIVERY

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

Re: Docket No. 030868-TL

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced docket are the original and fifteen (15) copies of Sprint-Florida, Inc.'s Response in Opposition to AARP's Motion to Dismiss.

Please acknowledge receipt and filing of the above by stamping the duplicate copy of this letter and returning the same to this writer.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

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#### BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

IN RE: SPRINT-FLORIDA, INCORPORATED'S PETITION TO REDUCE INTRASTATE SWITCHED NETWORK ACCESS RATES TO INTERSTATE PARITY IN A REVENUE NEUTRAL MANNER PURSUANT TO SECTION 364.164(1), FLORIDA STATUTES

DOCKET NO. 030868-TL FILED: September 29, 2003

## SPRINT-FLORIDA, INC.'S RESPONSE IN OPPOSITION TO AARP'S MOTION TO DISMISS

Sprint-Florida, Inc. ("Sprint"), pursuant to Rule 28-106.204, Florida Administrative Code, hereby responds in opposition to AARP's Motion to Dismiss ("Motion"), stating as follows:

- 1. On September 23, 2003, AARP filed its Motion to Dismiss, in which AARP repeats the grounds for dismissing Sprint's Petition to Reduce Intrastate Switched Network Access Rates to Intrastate Parity in a Revenue Neutral Manner Pursuant to Section 364.164(1), Florida Statutes ("Petition") set forth in Citizens' Motion to Dismiss Petition ("Citizens' Motion"). AARP Motion at ¶¶ 1 through 4. AARP's Motion also sets out the Commission Staff's primary analysis contained in its Memorandum, dated September 18, 2003, for recommending that the Commission, as an alternative, grant Citizens' Motion to Dismiss. AARP Motion at ¶ 5. AARP agrees with the positions set forth in Citizens' Motion, as well as the basis for Staff's primary analysis, and joins in Citizens' Motion to Dismiss. AARP Motion at ¶ 8.
- 2. For all the same reasons set forth in BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., and Sprint-Florida, Inc.'s, Joint Response to Citizens' Motion to Dismiss Petitions (Joint Response'),

AARP's reliance on Citizens' Motion and Staff's Memorandum is misplaced. Sprint reiterates its arguments in the Joint Response that the positions advanced by Citizens' for dismissing Sprint's Petition are fundamentally flawed. Additionally, Sprint observes that Staff's interpretation of the phrase "over a period of not less than 2 years," is inconsistent with the meaning of that phrase when viewed in context with the other time-related requirements of Section 364.164, Florida Statutes

WHEREFORE, Sprint-Florida requests that the Commission deny AARP's Motion to Dismiss.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

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