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BY HAND DELIVERY

Ms. Blanca S. Bayo, Director
Division of Records and Reporting
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Re: Docket No. 961153-TL

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing in the above-styled docket are the original and fifteen (15) copies of Sprint's Prehearing Statement.

We are also submitting the Prehearing Statement on a 3.5" high-density diskette generated on a DOS computer in WordPerfect 5.1 format.

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.

Sincerely,


J. Jeffrey Wahlen

Enclosures

cc: All parties of record

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition for numbering plan area) DOCKET NO. 961153-TL
relief for 904 area code, by BellSouth) FILED: 11/22/96
Telecommunications, Inc.)
_____)

PREHEARING STATEMENT

Pursuant to the Order on Prehearing Procedure in this docket, United Telephone Company of Florida and Central Telephone Company of Florida ("Sprint"), through its undersigned counsel, files its Prehearing Statement.

A. WITNESS: Sprint will offer the prepared direct testimony of Sandra A. Khazraee on all issues.

B. EXHIBITS: None.

C. BASIC POSITION: Plan 1 is the most viable of the three plans.

D-G. ISSUES AND POSITIONS:

Issue 1: What geographic split plan for 904 area code relief should be ordered by the Commission?

Position: Sprint could support all three of these plans although Plan 1 is preferable.

Issue 2: How and when should the area code relief be implemented?

Position: In order to ensure a smooth transition to the new NPA, the longest possible permissive dialing period needs to be instituted, preferably a permissive dialing period of one year. All involved telecommunications companies and the Commission need to work together to mitigate the negative impact to all customers

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affected by this NPA split.

H. STIPULATIONS: The Company is not aware of any pending stipulations at this time.

I. PENDING MOTIONS: The Company is not aware of any pending motions at this time.

J. COMPLIANCE WITH ORDER ON PREHEARING PROCEDURE: The Company does not know of any requirement of the Order on Prehearing Procedure with which it cannot comply.

DATED this 22nd day of November, 1996.



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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE
DOCKET NO. 961153-TL**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true copy of the foregoing has been furnished by U. S. Mail or hand delivery (*) this 22nd day of November, 1996 to the following:

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