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Ms. Blanca S. Bayo, Director
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2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
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Re: Docket No. 961173-TP
Petition of Sprint Communications Company Limited Partnership
for Arbitration of Proposed Interconnection Agreement with GTE Florida
Incorporated Pursuant to the Telecommunications Act of 1996

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Please find enclosed for filing an original and fifteen copies of GTE Florida Incorporated's (GTEFL) Notice of Intent to Seek Confidential Classification in connection with GTEFL's response to Sprint's First Set of Interrogatories and Data Requests, No. 1C, in the above matter. Service has been made as indicated on the Certificate of Service. If there are any questions regarding this filing, please contact me at (813) 483-2615.

Very truly yours,


Anthony P. Gillman

This Notice of Intent was filed with Confidential Document No. 12627-96. The document has been placed in the confidential files pending receipt of a request for confidential treatment.

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition of Sprint Communications)
Company Limited Partnership for Arbitration) Docket No. 961173-TP
of Proposed Interconnection Agreement with) Filed: November 25, 1996
GTE Florida Incorporated Pursuant to the)
Telecommunications Act of 1996)
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**GTE FLORIDA INCORPORATED'S
NOTICE OF INTENT TO SEEK CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION**

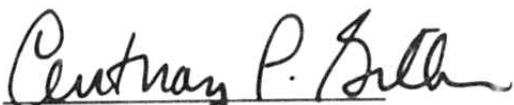
GTE Florida Incorporated (GTEFL) hereby gives notice of its intent to seek confidential classification of certain material contained in GTEFL's response to Sprint's First Set of Interrogatories and Data Requests, No. 1C, in this matter.

The materials covered by this Notice consist of directory assistance and extended area service agreements between GTEFL and United Telephone Company. This Notice exempts this material from §119.07(1) of the Florida Statutes and §24(a), Art. 1 of the State Constitution and protects it from public disclosure. All of this information falls within Florida Statutes §364.183(3)(e), which defines the term "proprietary confidential business information" to include "information relating to competitive interests, the disclosure of which would impair the competitive business of the provider of that information." In a competitive business, any such knowledge obtained about a competitor can be used to the detriment of the entity to which it pertains. This unfair advantage skews the operation of the market, to the ultimate detriment of the consumer.

GTE will follow up this Notice with a request for permanent confidential classification within 21 days. That request will include a detailed, line-by-line justification for the confidentiality of the materials submitted under the Notice.

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Respectfully submitted on November 25, 1996.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that copies of GTE Florida Incorporated's Notice of Intent to Seek Confidential Classification in connection with GTEFL's response to Sprint's First Set of Interrogatories and Data Requests, No. 1C, in Docket No. 961173-TP were sent via overnight delivery on November 22, 1996 to the parties listed below.

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