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April 22, 1997

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

Re: Docket 970281-TL

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing is the original and fifteen (15)copies of Sprint-Florida, Inc.'s Petition for Leave to Intervene.

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,

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Establishment of intrastate implementation requirements governing federally mandated deregulation of local exchange company payphones Docket No. 970281-TL

Filed:

SPRINT-PLORIDA, INCORPORATED PETITION FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE

Sprint-Florida, Incorporated ("Sprint-Florida"), pursuant to Rule 25-22.039, Florida Administrative Code, hereby requests leave to intervene in these proceedings, and as grounds therefor states:

- Sprint-Florida is a telephone company lawfully doing business in the State of Florida whose regulated operations are subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission pursuant to Chapter 364, Florida Statutes.
- 2. Sprint-Florida's principal place of business in Florida is 555 Lake Border Drive, Apopka, Florida 32703. Pleading and process in this matter may be served upon:
 - 1.) By Mail: Charles J. Rehwinkel
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3. Any decision made by the Commission in the context of this proceeding will necessarily affect the substantial interests of Sprint-Florida and its business operations in the State of Florida.

WHEREFORE, Sprint-Florida respectfully requests that the Commission grant the Company leave to intervene for all legal purposes in this docket.

Respectfully submitted,
Sprint-Florida, Incorporated

Charles J. Rehwinkel

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served by U.S. Mail this 22th day of APRIL , 1997 to the following:

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