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Re: Docket No. 010774-TP - Petition of The Citizens of the State of Florida to initiate rulemaking which will require telephone companies to give customers reasonable notice before customers incur higher charges or change in services, and allow them to evaluate offers for service from competing alternative providers.

Dear Ms. Bayó:

Enclosed for filing are an original and fifteen copies of Sprint's Response to the Comments of the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP).

Service has been made this same day via hand delivery and U.S. Mail to the parties listed on the attached service list.

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

Sincerely,

Susan S. Masterton

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition of the Citizens of the State) Docket No. 010774-TP
Of Florida to initiate rulemaking which will) Filed: November 27, 2002
Require telephone companies to give)
Customers reasonable notice before)
Customers incur higher charges or change)
In services, and allow them to evaluate)
Offers for service from competing)
Alternative providers)
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**SPRINT'S RESPONSE TO THE COMMENTS OF
THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED PERSONS**

On October 10, 2002, by Order No. PSC-02-1409-NOR-TP, the Florida Public Service Commission issued its Notice of Rulemaking in Docket No. 010774-TP. Several workshops were held leading up to the Commission's issuance of the Notice. Affected parties representing all segments of the industry, the Public Counsel and Commission staff, and including Sprint-Florida, Incorporated and Sprint Communications Company Limited Partnership (collectively "Sprint"), attended the workshops and participated in discussions and negotiations regarding the proposed rule. The rule proposed by the Commission is the product of these workshops, discussions, and negotiations.

On November 8, 2002, the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) filed comments on and recommended changes to the proposed rule. On November 18, 2002, Verizon Florida, Inc., Verizon Long Distance, and Verizon Select Services, Inc. (collectively "Verizon") filed a response to AARP's comments. On November 21, 2002, AT&T Communications of the Southern States, LLC (AT&T), MCI WorldCom, Inc. (WorldCom), and the Florida Competitive Carriers Association (FCCA) filed comments concurring in and adopting the comments filed by Verizon. Sprint also concurs and

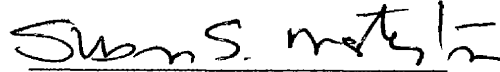
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adopts Verizon's November 18 comments. For all the reasons noted by Verizon, Sprint urges the Commission to reject the rule changes suggested by AARP.

Respectfully submitted this 27th day of November 2002.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Susan S. Masterton". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

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DOCKET NO. 010774-TP**

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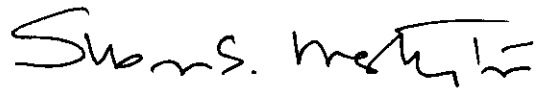
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