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SPRINT FILES PRICING FLEXIBILITY PETITION PLEADING CYCLE ESTABLISHED

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COMMENTS: February 16, 2001

REPLY COMMENTS: February 26, 2001

On February 1, 2001, the Sprint local telephone companies (Sprint)¹ filed a petition seeking pricing flexibility in the provision of dedicated transport and special access services pursuant to section 1.774 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.774. The petition may be viewed on the Commission's Electronic Tariff Filing System (ETFS). Interested parties may access ETFS by using the link, "E-Filing," from the Commission's home page, www.fcc.gov. Parties who have questions regarding ETFS may send an e-mail to ETFS at etfs@fcc.gov or may call (202) 418-7700.

In accordance with section 1.774(c) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.774(c), comments and oppositions in response to the petition shall be filed no later than February 16, 2001. Pursuant to section 1.774(e)(2)(i) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.774(e)(2)(i), interested parties may file comments electronically through the Commission's ETFS. Parties electing to file comments through a method other than ETFS must file such comments in accordance with section 1.774(e)(2)(ii) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.774(e)(2)(ii). Oppositions and comments must be served on the petitioner in accordance with section 1.774(e)(2)(iii) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.774(e)(2)(iii). In addition, in accordance with section 1.774(d) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.774(d), Sprint may file a reply no later than February 26, 2001. Any reply must be filed through ETFS and served upon each party filing an opposition or comment. *See* 47 C.F.R. § 1.774(e)(3). For additional information about the filing and service of comments and replies, *see* sections 1.774(c)-(e) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.774(c)-(e).

This matter shall be treated as a "permit-but-disclose" proceeding in accordance with the Commission's *ex parte* rules. *See* 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.1200 and 1.1206. Persons making oral *ex parte* presentations are reminded that memoranda summarizing the presentations must contain summaries of the substance of the presentations and not merely a listing of the subjects discussed. More than a one or two sentence description of the views and arguments presented is generally

¹ The Sprint local telephone companies are: Sprint-Florida, Incorporated; Central Telephone Company, Nevada Division d/b/a/ Sprint of Nevada; Central Telephone Company, North Carolina Division; Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Company; and Central Telephone Company of Virginia.

required. *See* 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206(b). Other rules pertaining to oral and written *ex parte* presentations in permit-but-disclose proceedings are set forth in section 1.1206(b) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206(b).

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