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Debra A. Howland Executive Director and Secretary New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission 21 S. Fruit Street, Suite 10 Concord, NH 03301-2429

RE: Docket 06-067 – Sprint Communications Company, L.P. and Sprint Spectrum, L.P. Petition for Intervention

Dear Executive Director Howland,

Please find enclosed for filing an original and nine (9) copies of Sprint Communications Company, L.P. and Sprint Spectrum L.P's Petition for Intervention in the above referenced docket.

Please return a filed-stamped copy of the Petition for Intervention to me in the enclosed self-addressed, postage-prepaid envelope. Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions concerning this request, please do not hesitate to contact me at (703) 433-4248.

Sincerely,

Garnet M. Goins

BEFORE THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

FREEDOM RING COMMUNICATIONS, LLC d/b/a BAYRING COMMUNICATIONS)
Complaint Against Verizon, New Hampshire Re: Access Charges)) DT 06-067
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SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY, L.P. AND SPRINT SPECTRUM L.P.'S PETITION FOR INTERVENTION

Pursuant to New Hampshire Code of Administrative Rules PUC 203.02 and 203.17, Sprint Communications Company, L.P. and Sprint Spectrum L.P., (collectively, "Sprint Nextel") respectfully requests that the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission ("Commission" or "PUC") grant its Petition for Intervention in the above-referenced proceeding. As the basis for its request, Sprint Nextel states as follows:

- 1. Sprint Communications Company, L.P. operates as a competitive intraLATA toll provider in New Hampshire providing interstate and intrastate interexchange service.¹ Additionally, Sprint Nextel's subsidiary, Sprint Spectrum L.P. operates as a commercial mobile radio service ("CMRS") provider offering wireless services in the state.²
- 2. On November 29, 2006, the Commission entered a Procedural Order and directed parties that the scope of the above referenced proceeding would address: (i) whether calls made or received by end-users which do not employ a Verizon local loop

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¹ U.S. Sprint Communications Company of New Hampshire, DE 90-127, Order No. 20,042 (January 29, 1991).

² By statute, the Commission does not have jurisdiction over wireless carriers. NH RSA 362:6.

involve Verizon switched access; and (ii) if so, whether Verizon's access tariff requires the payment of certain rate elements, including but not limited to CCL charges. Under the interests of judicial efficiency, the Commission bifurcated this proceeding into two separate phases: the first to address tariff interpretation, and the second to decide to what extent, if any, reparations are due.

- 3. As a provider of wireline and wireless service in New Hampshire, Sprint Nextel has recently learned that Verizon New Hampshire is imposing switched access charges, including carrier common line (CCL) access charges on calls that do not involve a Verizon end-user or a Verizon local loop. Verizon does not separately identify transit traffic on its invoices for its New Hampshire switched access billing to Sprint Nextel. Therefore, this issue was not immediately apparent to Sprint Nextel --- which reviews thousands of monthly invoices involving switched access --- until it performed a detailed audit of Verizon New Hampshire invoices. Based on this audit, Sprint Nextel learned that Verizon is also charging Sprint Nextel CCL charges for traffic that does not involve Verizon end-users or a Verizon local loop.
- 4. Sprint Nextel agrees with certain intervenors that CCL charges should not apply to such traffic. Accordingly, Sprint Nextel seeks to intervene in this proceeding since it is also impacted by Verizon's questioned application of Tariff No. 85 in New Hampshire.
- 5. This Petition for Intervention constitutes a request to intervene in both Phase I (interpretation of Tariff No. 85) and Phase II (reparations, if any are due) of this proceeding.

6. The interests of justice would be served by permitting this intervention. No

other party can adequately represent Sprint Nextel's interests in this proceeding. No party

will be unduly prejudiced by Sprint Nextel's intervention in this proceeding.

Additionally, Sprint Nextel's intervention at this juncture should have no adverse impact

on the conduct of the Commission's proceeding.

7. Sprint Nextel requests that all communications, correspondence, orders and

other documentation relating to this proceeding be directed to the undersigned attorney.

Sprint Nextel also requests that the undersigned attorney be placed on the official service

list compiled for purposes of this proceeding.

WHEREFORE, Sprint Nextel respectfully requests that the Commission grant its

Petition for Intervention in this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

Sprint Communications Company L.P. and Sprint

Spectrum, L.P.

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Dated: January 5, 2007

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Mable L. Semple, certify that I have served a true copy of Sprint Communications Company, L.P., and Sprint Spectrum. L.P's foregoing document in Docket 06-067 upon the parties of record in this proceeding by First Class U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, and/or Federal Express Overnight Delivery.

Dated at Washington, DC January 5, 2007

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