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Re: Sprint Nextel - Petition for Confidential Treatment received 4/24/09
PSC Reference – Case No. 2007-00503

Dear Mr. Hughes:

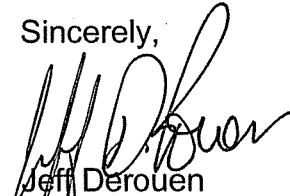
The Public Service Commission has received the Petition for Confidential Treatment you filed on April 24, 2009 on behalf of Sprint Nextel to protect certain information filed with the Commission as confidential pursuant to Section 7 of 807 KAR 5:001 and KRS 61.870. The information you seek to have treated as confidential is identified as information contained in its Response to the Commission's 1st Information Request. The information is described as 3 portions of its Response: (1) Response to Request No. 1: its average intrastate switched access cost per minute for 3 Kentucky Windstream entities; (2) Response to Request No. 1: the average intrastate switched access rate it expects to pay all LECs in Kentucky and 6 other states, and (3) Response to Request No. 2: its estimated annual savings on intrastate switched access rate if set on same level as intrastate aggregate rate. Your justification for having the Commission handle this material as confidential is that the public disclosure of the information would compromise Sprint Nextel's competitive position in the industry and result in an unfair commercial advantage to its competitors.

Based on a review of the information and pursuant to KRS 61.878 and 807 KAR 5:001, Section 7, the Commission has determined that the information you seek to keep confidential is of a proprietary nature, which if publicly disclosed would permit an unfair commercial advantage to Sprint Nextel's competitors. Therefore, the information requested to be treated as confidential **meets the criteria for confidential protection** and will be maintained as a nonpublic part of the Commission's file in this case. The procedure for usage of confidential materials during formal proceedings may be found at Section 7(8) of 807 KAR 5:001.

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If the information becomes publicly available or no longer warrants confidential treatment, Sprint Nextel is required by Section 8(9)(a) of 807 KAR 5:001 to inform the Commission so that the information may be placed in the public record.

Sincerely,



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Executive Director

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cc: Parties of Record