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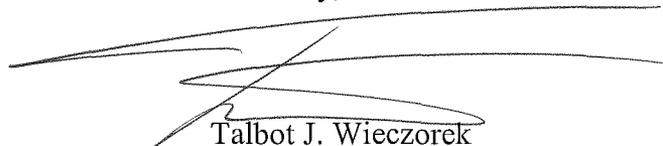
RE: Sprint Communications Company, L.P. – Petition for Arbitration
Interstate Telecommunications Cooperative (ITC) TC06-175
GPNA File No. 08509.0002

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Enclosed for filing, please find Sprint's Motion to Withdraw Its Petition in the above matter. By copy of same, counsel have been served.

If you have any questions, please call me.

Sincerely,



Talbot J. Wieczorek

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**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA**

IN THE MATTER OF SPRINT)	
COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY, L.P.'s)	
PETITION FOR ARBITRATION PURSUANT)	DOCKET NO. TC06-175
TO THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF)	
1996 TO RESOLVE ISSUES RELATING TO AN)	
INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT WITH)	
INTERSTATE TELECOMMUNICATIONS)	
COOPERATIVE, INC.)	

**SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY L.P.'s MOTION TO WITHDRAW ITS
PETITION FOR ARBITRATION PURSUANT TO THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT
OF 1996 TO RESOLVE ISSUES RELATING TO AN INTERCONNECTION
AGREEMENT WITH INTERSTATE TELECOMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE**

Sprint Communications Company, L.P. (Sprint) by its attorneys, hereby moves to withdraw its Petition for Arbitration Pursuant to the Telecommunications Act of 1996 to Resolve Issues Relating to an Interconnection Agreement with Interstate Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc. (the Petition) in the above-captioned docket, without prejudice.

At this time, Sprint has determined it will not pursue its petition to provide local exchange service in the ITC areas and, therefore, will no longer require an interconnection agreement with ITC. Sprint reserves the right to pursue an interconnection agreement with ITC in the future.

Therefore, Sprint respectfully requests that the Commission grant its Motion to Withdraw the Petition. Sprint also asks the Commission to delay all scheduled filing in the docket to allow the Commission to take action on this Motion, as necessary.

Dated this 17 day of November, 2008.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned certifies that on this 17th day of November 2008, a copy of Sprint's Motion to Withdraw Its Application was served electronically to:

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