BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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Application of Sprint Nextel Corporation for Approval of the Transfer of Control of Sprint Missouri, Inc., Sprint Long Distance, Inc., and Sprint Payphone Services, Inc. from Sprint Nextel Corporation to LTD Holding Company

Case No. IO-2006-0086

ORDER GRANTING COMMUNICATIONS WORKERS OF AMERICA'S REQUEST TO WITHDRAW, AND MODIFYING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Issue Date: January 25, 2006

Effective Date: January 25, 2006

On December 27, 2005, Sprint Nextel Corporation, Staff, and the Office of the Public Counsel filed a nonunanimous stipulation and agreement that resolves all issues between those parties. The Communications Workers of America filed a timely objection to the stipulation and agreement on January 3, 2006. Because the Communications Workers objected to the nonunanimous stipulation and agreement, the Commission established a procedural schedule that included the prefiling of testimony, and an evidentiary hearing on February 16 and 17.

On January 24, the Communications Workers filed a motion asking leave to withdraw from the case. At the same time, it withdrew its objection to the previously filed stipulation and agreement. The pleading explained that the Communications Workers has reached a multi-state agreement with Sprint Nextel that resolves all of the concerns that the union had presented to this Commission.

On January 24, Sprint Nextel filed a motion asking the Commission to modify the procedural schedule. The motion points out that with the objection of the Communications Workers having been withdrawn, the stipulation and agreement is now unanimous. That means that there is no longer a need for the presentation of evidence and an evidentiary hearing. As a result, Sprint Nextel asks the Commission to cancel the remainder of the procedural schedule, and in its place, schedule an on-the-record proceeding to consider the stipulation and agreement. Sprint Nextel represents that Staff, Public Counsel, and the Communications Workers concur in its request.

Sprint Nextel's request is reasonable and it will be granted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the Communications Workers of America's request for leave to withdraw from this case is granted.

2. That the previously established procedural schedule is canceled.

3. That an on-the-record proceeding to consider the stipulation and agreement filed in this case will be held on February 17, 2006, beginning at 9:00 a.m. The proceeding will be held at the Commission's office at the Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri, Room 310. This building meets accessibility standards required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. If you need additional accommodations to participate in this proceeding, please call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 before the proceeding.

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4. That this order shall become effective on January 25, 2006.



Colleen M. Dale Secretary

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Morris L. Woodruff, Deputy Chief Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 25th day of January, 2006.