

October 4, 2001

Ms. Carole Washburn, Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
1300 South Evergreen Park Drive S.W.
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Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Dear Ms. Washburn:

Re: Cessation of Telecommunications Service (WAC 480-120-083)
Docket No. UT-010558

This letter constitutes the response of Sprint Communications, Inc., to the "Opportunity to Submit Written Comments on Proposed Rules" in this docket, published September 12, 2001.

Sprint is concerned only about section (4)(a) of the rules that would require at least fifteen days of "oral notice" to the customer at the beginning of every call. While this is technically possible, it seems unnecessary in light of all the other new notice requirements set forth in the rule and could be annoying to any customer subjected to it. There would, after all, be no way to notify each customer by this method only once. A customer making many calls every day would have to endure the recorded announcement at the beginning of each call for more than two weeks.

Sprint respectfully suggests that this proposed requirement be eliminated from the final draft of the rule.

Should there be any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Glenn Harris at (541) 387-9290 or by e-mail at glenn.harris@mail.sprint.com.

Sincerely,

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