

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of the

Request of Sprint Nextel Corporation for an Order Declining to Assert Jurisdiction Over or, in the Alternative, Application of Sprint Nextel Corporation for Approval of the Transfer of Control of United Telephone Company of the Northwest and Sprint Long Distance, Inc. From Sprint Nextel Corporation to LTD Holding Company.

DOCKET NO. UT-051291

NOTICE OF APPEARANCE ON BEHALF OF PUBLIC COUNSEL

TO: CAROLE J. WASHBURN, Secretary, Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, P.O. Box 47250, Olympia, Washington 98504-7250;

AND TO: PARTIES OF RECORD

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT THE UNDERSIGNED hereby enters an appearance as counsel for the Public Counsel Section of the Washington Attorney General in the above-entitled matter, specifically reserving all rights.

DATED this 16th day of December, 2005.

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