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From: Shirley, Bob (UTC)
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To: UTC DL Records Center
Subject: FW: Answer to your question:

Please post this forwarded e-mail to UT-073023, Petition of Sprint Nextel Corporation. Thank you.

From: Jacobson, Kristin [GA] [mailto:Kristin.L.Jacobson@sprint.com]
Sent: Thursday, September 20, 2007 2:36 PM
To: Shirley, Bob (UTC)
Subject: Answer to your question:

Bob,

Sorry that I am just getting back to you. I have been in lovely, balmy, Kansas City since Sunday.

To answer your question: In brief, there is no relationship between the current request for designation in the 18 additional exchanges and Nextel Corp. network as it existed on a pre-merger basis.

Sprint built its network in the 18 wire centers using only company funds with the expectation that it would seek ETC designation for these 18 wire center in the future. Now that we have customers in these 18 wire centers we are seeking reimbursement from USF in order to build deeper into these wire centers and fill in any potential gaps. So in other words, the Company would have asked for this expansion with or without the Nextel merger. The company determined that it would be an efficient use of resources (on both sides of the table) to combine the 18 wire center expansion request with the request to count lines under Sprint Nextel's iDEN wireless service.

If you have any further questions, or require any additional information, please let me know. I have heard that we may be calendared for the October 10th open meeting. John Mitus and I are planning on flying in on the 9th (with Mark Ayotte available on the phone bridge). If you get word that we may be pushed back to the 24th, would you mind giving me a ring? Thank you and I look forward to speaking with you soon.

Warmest regards,

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