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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION  
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

**Re: CC Docket No. 00-36, Investigation of GTE EIS Tariffs**

Dear Ms. Jackson:

Yesterday, GTE submitted revised tariff pages reducing nonrecurring site preparation charges for its Expanded Interconnection Service (EIS) by temporarily removing costs associated with HVAC and power upgrades. It also submitted a "Motion to Terminate the Investigation" into GTE Transmittal Nos. 1234 and GTE System Transmittal No. 304. These filings were apparently submitted in lieu of the direct case the Commission directed GTE to file in CC Docket No. 00-36.

Sprint does not oppose GTE's motion to terminate this investigation. GTE represents that it will refile site preparation charges in the near future using a rate development process which reflects the concerns expressed by the Commission in its *Designation Order*.<sup>1</sup> Sprint does, of course, reserve its right to file against GTE's subsequent tariff should that tariff continue to reflect unreasonable rates, terms or conditions. However, there is little to be gained from continuing an investigation into rates which GTE never supported, which it has now withdrawn, and which it has promised to replace.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me at (202) 585-1915.

Sincerely,

Norina Moy  
Director, Federal Regulatory  
Policy and Coordination

c: F. Gordon Maxson, GTE (via fax)

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<sup>1</sup> GTE Telephone Operating Companies Transmittal No. 1234, GTE Systems Telephone Companies Transmittal No. 304, *Order Designating Issues for Investigation* released February 28, 2000 (DA 00-431).