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July 5, 2005

Ms. Marlene Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Ms. Dortch:

RE: Ex Parte Notice. WT Docket No. 05-63. In the Matter of Nextel Communications, Inc. Transferor, and Sprint Corporation, Transferee for Consent to Transfer Control of Entities Holding Commission Licenses and Authorizations Pursuant to Sections 214 and 310(d) of the Communications Act.

On July 5, 2005, Debbie Goldman, Research Economist of the Communications Workers of America (CWA) met with Michelle Carey and Sam Feder of Chairman Martin's staff to discuss the above captioned proceeding. Ms. Goldman outlined provisions in the Sprint-Nextel merger agreement relating to the spin-off of the local wireline business serving almost eight million primarily rural customers. She encouraged the Commission to condition merger approval upon assurances that the merger-related spin-off of Sprint's local telecommunications division does not harm Sprint's local customers with a weakened business.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Debbie Goldman". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name and title.

Debbie Goldman, Research Economist
Research and Development Department

cc: Michelle Carey
Sam Feder