

STATE OF IOWA  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE:  SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY L.P.	DOCKET NO. TF-05-286 (ARB-05-2)
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**ORDER SUSPENDING TARIFF**

(Issued November 23, 2005)

On October 17, 2005, Sprint Communications Company L.P. (Sprint) filed revised tariff sheets to its retail tariff on file with the Utilities Board (Board), containing a proposal to introduce a service identified as "Local Interconnection for Customers" in Rate Zone 2.

The tariff filing does not include business or residential service rates but instead applies only to local interconnection customers. This new service offering does not provide retail local exchange service directly to end-use customers, but proposes to provide a wholesale interconnection service to any customer defined in the tariff proposal as "a competitive service provider that provides voice service to its subscribers."

Additionally, this tariff revision adds terms and conditions for 911 services and special construction. It is unclear whether these additional provisions relate only to the new local interconnection sections or are more general.

This filing was made in an attempt to show that Sprint "will offer services at issue in Docket No. ARB-05-2 to all within the class of entities who desire the services and who have comparable last mile facilities to the cable companies."<sup>1</sup> Since that arbitration is still pending, this tariff filing will be docketed and suspended from further action until the issues in Docket No. ARB-05-2 have been determined.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

The proposed "Local Interconnection for Customers in Rate Zone 2 Tariff" filed by Sprint Communications Company L.P. on October 17, 2005, and identified as TF-05-286, is suspended until further order of the Board.

**UTILITIES BOARD**

/s/ John R. Norris

/s/ Diane Munns

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper  
Executive Secretary

/s/ Curtis W. Stamp

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of November, 2005.

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<sup>1</sup> Docket No. ARB-05-2, Transcript of hearing of October 18, 2005, at p. 40.