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Dialing Arrangements, Such as N-1-1.)

Case No. 93-1799-TP-COI

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**REPLY COMMENTS OF
UNITED TELEPHONE COMPANY OF OHIO d/b/a SPRINT,
SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY L.P.
AND SPRINT SPECTRUM L.P. d/b/a SPRINT PCS**

United Telephone Company of Ohio d/b/a Sprint, Sprint Communications Company L.P., and Sprint Spectrum L.P. d/b/a Sprint PCS (hereinafter collectively "Sprint") submit Reply Comments pursuant to the March 23, 2000 Entry of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio ("Entry").

On April 14, 2000¹ various parties filed comments with the Commission in response to the Commission's preliminary findings in this proceeding. Sprint supports the comments that recommend that the Commission delay any action pending FCC resolution.² There are very real concerns that customer confusion would result over the use of the 2-1-1 code for different purposes in distinct areas of Ohio. Sprint also respectfully requests that the Commission consider the technical, administrative and cost issues that need to be addressed before an additional pilot is approved for N-1-1 use.³

¹ Comments and correspondence letters were actually filed in this case between April 10 and April 19, 2000.

² Comments of Commonwealth of Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, Ohio Department of Transportation, GTE North Incorporated, and Ameritech Ohio.

³ Comments of Commonwealth of Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, Cincinnati Bell Telephone Company, GTE North Incorporated, and Ameritech Ohio.

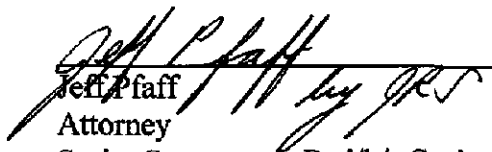
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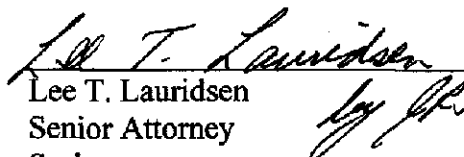
CONCLUSION

While the service proposed by the Ohio Council of Information and Referral Providers and the 211 Ohio Collaborative provides a potentially valuable service, good public policy dictates that the Commission should await determination by the FCC in the assignment of any N-1-1 codes to be utilized throughout Ohio. With the scarcity of N-1-1 codes it is imperative that they be utilized as ubiquitously as possible across multiple states to avoid customer confusion.

Respectfully submitted,


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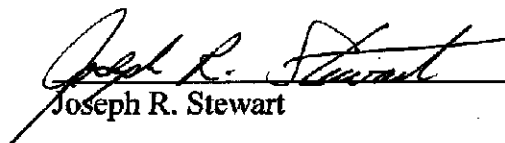

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