BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2005-100-C - ORDER NO. 2005-292

JUNE 6, 2005

IN RE: Generic Proceeding to Investigate Emergency Services Continuity Plans	)	ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR ADMISSION PRO HAC VICE

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the Motion of Scott Elliott, Esquire, for Admission of William R. L. Atkinson, Esquire, to practice before the Commission *pro hac vice* on behalf of United Telephone Company of the Carolinas (Sprint). Mr. Atkinson petitions to appear before the Commission as counsel for Sprint in the hearing for Docket No. 2005-100-C regarding the generic proceeding established to address Emergency Services Continuity Plans. The hearing in this matter is presently scheduled for August 31, 2005.

The Motion of Scott Elliott, local counsel for Sprint, for Admission of Atkinson *pro hac vice* asserts that a verified application for admission of Atkinson *pro hac vice* has been filed with the South Carolina Supreme Court. The Deputy Clerk for Bar Admissions has certified receipt of the filing and that the filing fee has been paid. Mr. Elliott's Motion asserts that the provisions set forth in SCARC 404 have been satisfied, and therefore, requests the Motion be granted.

It appears to this Commission that the proper *pro hac vice* application has been filed and that the necessary affirmation has been made. We believe that the Motion for

admission to practice *pro hac vice* before the Commission at the hearing in Docket No. 2005-100-C should be granted.

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Scott Elliott, Esquire, has moved for the *pro hac vice* admission of William R. L. Atkinson to practice before the Commission at the hearing on Docket No. 2005-100-C to be held on August 31, 2005.

3. Proper application has been filed, the filing fee has been paid, and the necessary affirmation has been made, as required by SCACR 404.

4. Atkinson has associated South Carolina counsel.

5. The Motion for *pro hac vice* admission in this proceeding should be granted.

ORDER

The Motion of Scott Elliott for *pro hac vice* admission of William R. L. Atkinson to practice before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina at the hearing on Docket No. 2005-100-C is granted.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

/s/
Randy Mitchell, Chairman

ATTEST:

/s/
G. O'Neal Hamilton, Vice Chairman

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