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UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM S-8

REGISTRATION STATEMENT

UNDER

THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

Sprint Corporation

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of

46-1170005 (I.R.S. Employer

Incorporation or Organization) Identification No.) 6200 Sprint Parkway, Overland Park, Kansas 66251

(Address of Principal Executive Offices Including Zip Code)

Sprint Corporation Amended and Restated 2015 Omnibus Incentive Plan

(Full Title of the Plan)

Stefan K. Schnopp

Vice President & Corporate Secretary

Sprint Corporation

6200 Sprint Parkway, Overland Park, Kansas 66251

(855) 848-3280

(Name, Address and Telephone Number, Including Area Code, of Agent For Service)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer (Do not check if a smaller reporting company) Smaller reporting company

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

		Proposed	Proposed	
	Amount	Maximum	Maximum	
	to be	Offering Price	Aggregate	Amount of
Title of Securities		_		
to be Registered	Registered	Per Share	Offering Price	Registration Fee
Common stock, par value \$0.01 per share	137,247,553(1)(2)	\$5.99(3)	\$822,112,842.50(3)	\$95,282.88

- Represents shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (*Common Stock*), of Sprint Corporation (the *Registrant*) issuable pursuant to the Sprint Corporation Amended and Restated 2015 Omnibus Incentive Plan (the *Plan*) being registered hereon.
- (2) Pursuant to Rule 416 of the Securities Act of 1933 (the *Securities Act*), this Registration Statement also covers such additional shares of Common Stock as may become issuable pursuant to the anti-dilution provisions of the Plan.
- (3) Estimated solely for calculating the amount of the registration fee, pursuant to paragraphs (c) and (h) of Rule 457 of the General Rules and Regulations under the Securities Act, on the basis of the average of the high and low sale prices of the Common Stock on the New York Stock Exchange on November 2, 2016, within five business days prior to filing.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Registrant hereby files this Registration Statement on Form S-8 with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the *Commission*) to register additional securities of the same class as other securities for which a previously filed registration statement on Form S-8 is effective.

Pursuant to General Instruction E to Form S-8, this Registration Statement incorporates by reference the contents of the Registration Statement on Form S-8 (Registration No. 333-142702) filed by the Registrant on May 8, 2007 with respect to the shares now being utilized under the Plan, including all attachments and exhibits thereto, with the contents of such prior registration statement amended and restated as provided for herein.

PART II

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

Item 3. Incorporation of Documents by Reference.

The Registrant is subject to the informational and reporting requirements of Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 and 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the *Exchange Act*), and, in accordance therewith, files reports, proxy statements and other information with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the *Commission*). The following documents filed with Commission by the Registrant pursuant to the Exchange Act are hereby incorporated by reference into this Registration Statement:

- (a) The Registrant s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2016 (Commission File No. 001-04721), as amended by the Registrant s Annual Report on Form 10-K/A (Amendment No. 1) for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2016 (Commission File No. 001-04721);
- (b) The Registrant's Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarters ended June 30, 2016 and September 30, 2016 (Commission File No. 001-04721);
- (c) The Registrant's Current Reports on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-04721), filed with the Commission on April 6, 2016, April 29, 2016, May 6, 2016, June 24, 2016, October 12, 2016, October 20, 2016, November 2, 2016 and November 3, 2016; and
- (d) The description of the Registrant s Common Stock set forth in a Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-04721) filed with the Commission on July 11, 2013, including any subsequently filed amendments and reports updating such description.

All documents filed by the Registrant with the Commission pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 and 15(d) of the Exchange Act subsequent to the effective date of this Registration Statement and prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment that indicates that all securities offered have been sold or that deregisters all securities then remaining unsold, will be deemed to be incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement and to be part hereof from the date of filing of such documents. Any statement contained in any document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein will be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this Registration Statement to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any other subsequently filed document which also is or is deemed to be incorporated by reference herein modifies or supersedes such statement. Any such statement so

modified or superseded will not be deemed, except as modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this Registration Statement.

Item 4. Description of Securities.

Not applicable.

Item 5. Interests of Named Experts and Counsel.

Not applicable.

Item 6. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.

The Registrant is a Delaware corporation. Section 145 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the *DGCL*) as the same exists or may hereafter be amended, *inter alia*, provides that a Delaware corporation may indemnify any person who was, or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (other than an action by or in the right of such corporation), by reason of the fact that the person is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise. The indemnity may include expenses (including attorney s fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by the person in connection with such action, suit or proceeding, if the person acted in good faith and in a manner the person reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the corporation s best interests and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe that the person s conduct was unlawful.

Section 145 of the DGCL provides that a Delaware corporation may indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action or suit by or in the right of the corporation to procure a judgment in its favor by reason of the fact that the person is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise. The indemnity may include expenses (including attorneys fees) actually and reasonably incurred by the person in connection with the defense or settlement of such action or suit if the person acted in good faith and in a manner the person reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the corporation s best interests, except that no indemnification is permitted without judicial approval if the officer, director, employee or agent is adjudged to be liable to the corporation.

Where a present or former director or officer has been successful on the merits or otherwise in the defense of any action referred to above, the corporation must indemnify the person against the expenses (including attorney s fees) actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection therewith.

Section 145 of the DGCL further authorizes a corporation to purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any person who is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, against any liability asserted against such person and incurred by such person in any such capacity, or arising out of such person s status as such whether or not the corporation would have the power to indemnify such person against such liability under Section 145.

Section 102(b)(7) of the DGCL permits a corporation to provide in its certificate of incorporation that a director of the corporation shall not be personally liable to the corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director, except for liability (i) for any breach of the director s duty of loyalty to the corporation or its stockholders, (ii) for acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law, (iii) for unlawful payments of dividends or unlawful stock repurchases, redemptions or other distributions, or (iv) for any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit. Article IX of the Registrant s amended and restated certificate of incorporation provides for such limitation of liability.

Article VI of the Registrant s bylaws states that the Registrant may purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any person who is or was a director, officer, employee, or agent of the corporation, or who is or was serving at the request the corporation as a director, officer, employee, or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, or other enterprise, against any liability arising out of his status as such, whether or not the corporation would have the power to indemnify such persons against liability. The Registrant carries standard directors and officers liability coverage for its directors and officers and the directors and officers of its subsidiaries. Subject to certain limitations and exclusions, the policies reimburse the corporation for liabilities indemnified under the bylaws and indemnify the directors and officers against additional liabilities not indemnified under the bylaws.

The Registrant has entered into indemnification agreements with its directors and officers. These agreements provide for the indemnification, to the full extent permitted by law, of expenses, judgments, fines, penalties and amounts paid in settlement incurred by the director or officer in connection with any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding on account of service as a director, officer, employee or agent of the Registrant.

Item 7. Exemption from Registration Claimed.

Not applicable.

Item 8. Exhibits.

Exhibit	
Number	Description
4.1	Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-04721) filed with the Commission on July 11, 2013)
4.2	Amended and Restated Bylaws (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to the Registrant s Current Report on Form 8-K (Commission File No. 001-04721) filed with the Commission on August 7, 2013)
4.3	Sprint Corporation Amended and Restated 2015 Omnibus Incentive Plan (incorporated herein by reference to Annex B to the Registrant s Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A (Commission File No. 001-04721) filed with the Commission on September 22, 2016)
5.1	Opinion of Counsel
23.1	Consent of KPMG LLP, Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm
23.2	Consent of Deloitte & Touche LLP, Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm
23.3	Consent of Deloitte & Touche LLP, Independent Auditors
23.4	Consent of Deloitte & Touche LLP, Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

- 23.5 Consent of Counsel (included in Exhibit 5.1)
- 24.1 Power of Attorney

Item 9. Undertakings.

- (a) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes:
- (1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this Registration Statement:
- (i) To include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act;
- (ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the Registration Statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the Registration Statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than a 20 percent change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the Calculation of Registration Fee table in the effective Registration Statement;
- (iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the Registration Statement or any material change to such information in the Registration Statement;

provided, however, that paragraphs (a)(1)(i) and (a)(1)(ii) above do not apply if the Registration Statement is on Form S-8, and the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in reports filed with or furnished to the Commission by the Registrant pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act that are incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement.

- (2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
- (3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.

- (b) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each filing of the Registrant s annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan s annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act) that is incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
- (c) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the Registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the Registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the Registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the Registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the city of Overland Park, state of Kansas, on this 7th day of November, 2016.

SPRINT CORPORATION

By: /s/ Stefan K. Schnopp Stefan K. Schnopp

Vice President & Corporate Secretary

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act, this Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the date indicated.

Date: November 7, 2016 **

Marcelo Claure

Chief Executive Officer, President and Director

(Principal Executive Officer)

Date: November 7, 2016 *

Tarek A. Robbiati

Chief Financial Officer

(Principal Financial Officer)

Date: November 7, 2016 *

Paul W. Schieber, Jr.

Vice President and Controller

(Principal Accounting Officer)

Date: November 7, 2016 *

Masayoshi Son

Chairman

Date: November 7, 2016 *

Ronald D. Fisher

Vice Chairman

Date: November 7, 2016 *

Gordon M. Bethune

Director

Date: November 7, 2016 **

Julius Genachowski

Director

Date: November 7, 2016

Michael G. Mullen

Director

Date: November 7, 2016 *

Sara Martinez Tucker

Director

DATED: November 7, 2016 By: /s/ Stefan K. Schnopp

Stefan K. Schnopp, Attorney-in-Fact

^{*} This Registration Statement has been signed on behalf of the above officers and directors by Stefan K. Schnopp, as attorney-in-fact pursuant to a power of attorney filed as Exhibit 24.1 to this Registration Statement.

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