

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of the Application of)
Southwestern Bell Telephone Company)
d/b/a AT&T Missouri for Approval of an)
Interconnection Agreement Amendment)
under the Telecommunications Act of)
1996.)

Case No. IK-2008-0373

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) and
for its recommendation respectfully states:

1. In the attached Memorandum, labeled Appendix A, the Staff recommends
that the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) grant approval of the
Interconnection Agreement Amendment between Southwestern Bell Telephone Company
d/b/a AT&T Missouri (AT&T) and United States Cellular Corporation, filed by AT&T
under the provisions of the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996.

2. The terms of the amendment to the Agreement do not discriminate against
telecommunications carriers not a party to the Agreement and are not against the public
interest, convenience or necessity. Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. §252(e), the Commission is to
approve an amendment to a negotiated interconnection agreement unless the terms of the
amendment discriminate against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the
agreement, or implementation of the amendment to the agreement is inconsistent with the
public interest, convenience, or necessity.

WHEREFORE, because the terms of the amendment to the agreement satisfy the
standard set forth in 47 U.S.C. §252(e), Staff recommends the Commission approve the

amendment and direct the parties to submit any future modifications or amendments to the Interconnection Agreement to the Commission for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all counsel of record this 24th day of June 2008.

/s/ Jennifer Heintz

To: Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File

Case No.: **IK-2008-0373**

Party: **Southwestern Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Missouri**
(AT&T Missouri)

Type of Carrier: ☒ Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier (ILEC)
☐ Competitive Local Exchange Carrier (CLEC)
☐ Wireless Carrier (CMRS)

Party: **United State Cellular Corporation** (U.S. Cellular)

Type of Carrier: ☐ Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier (ILEC)
☐ Competitive Local Exchange Carrier (CLEC)
☒ Wireless Carrier (CMRS)

From: Arthur P. Kuss
Telecommunications Department

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Utility Operations Division/Date

Jennifer Heintz 6/24/08
General Counsel's Office/Date

Subject: Staff Recommendation for Approval of an Interconnection Agreement or
Amendment to an Interconnection Agreement

Date: June 23, 2008

Date Filed: May 28, 2008

Staff Deadline: June 30, 2008

The Telecommunications Department Staff (Staff) recommends the Parties be granted approval of the submitted:

- ☐ Interconnection Agreement
- ☒ Amendment Not Previously Approved

The Parties submitted the proposed Agreement or Amendment to the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) pursuant to the terms of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (Act). Staff has reviewed the proposed Agreement and believes it meets the limited requirements of the Act. Specifically, the Agreement:

- 1) Does not discriminate against telecommunications carriers not party to the Agreement and
- 2) Is not against the public interest, convenience or necessity.

Staff recommends the Commission direct the Parties to submit any modifications or amendments to the Commission.

- ☐ The Applicants have not submitted a serially numbered copy of the Agreement or Amendment. Staff recommends the Commission direct the Parties to submit a serially numbered copy of the Agreement or Amendment.
- ☒ Staff has a serially numbered copy of the Agreement or Amendment.

Additional Interconnection Agreement or Amendment Review Items

- ☒ No applications to intervene have been filed. Intervention Deadline: June 19, 2008
- ☒ The Agreement or Amendment has been signed by both Parties.

Additional Recommendations or Special Considerations (if any):

Annual Report & Assessment Information

- ☒ The Parties are not delinquent in filing Annual Reports or paying PSC Assessments.
- ☐ A Party is delinquent. Staff recommends the Commission grant the requested relief/action on the condition that the applicant corrects the delinquency. The applicant should be instructed to make the appropriate filing in this Case after it has corrected the delinquency.
- ☐ No Annual Report. ☐ Unpaid PSC Assessment. Amount owed:

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AFFIDAVIT OF Arthur P. Kuss

STATE OF MISSOURI)
) ss:
COUNTY OF COLE)

Arthur P. Kuss, employee of the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, being of lawful age and after being duly sworn, states that he has participated in the preparation of the accompanying Memorandum, and that the facts therein are true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief.



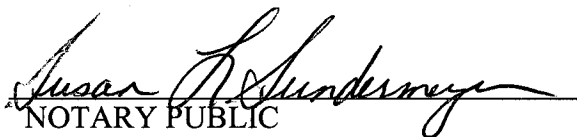
Arthur P. Kuss

Subscribed and affirmed before me this 23rd day of June, 2008.

I am commissioned as a Notary Public within the County of Callaway, State of Missouri
and my commission expires on September 21, 2010



SUSAN L. SUNDERMEYER
My Commission Expires
September 21, 2010
Callaway County
Commission #08942086


NOTARY PUBLIC