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,) File No. IK-2013-0344
For Approval of an Interconnection Agreement)
Under the Telecommunications Act of 1996)

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and submits its Recommendation as follows:

- 1. On December 21, 2012, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, d/b/a AT&T Missouri (AT&T Missouri or the Company) filed with the Missouri Public Service Commission its Application for Approval of an Interconnection Agreement executed between it and USA Mobility Wireless, Inc. AT&T Missouri is a certificated Incumbent Local Exchange Telecommunications Company; USA Mobility Wireless, Inc. is a wireless company not regulated by the Commission.
- 2. 47 USC 252(e)(2) provides that a state commission may only reject an interconnection agreement adopted by negotiation if the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to it or its implementation is not consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity.
- 3. In lieu of a Memorandum, the Staff herein states that the Interconnection Agreement does not discriminate against telecommunications carriers not parties to it, nor is its implementation inconsistent with the public interest, convenience or necessity.
- 4. The Companies are not delinquent in filing any annual reports, paying the PSC assessment, or remitting MoUSF and Relay Missouri surcharges.

WHEREFORE, Staff recommends the Commission approve the Application and direct the parties to submit to the Commission any subsequent modifications or amendments to the Interconnection Agreement.

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 3^{rd} day of January, 2013.