BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of ICC Bill and Keep Amendment to the)	
Commercial Mobile Radio Services Interconnection)	
Agreement between Dobson Cellular Systems, Inc. /)	File No. IK-2013-0353
American Cellular Corporation and Embarq Missouri,)	
Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink Pursuant to Sections 251 and)	
252 of 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 January 14, 2013, Embarq Missouri, Inc., d/b/a CenturyLink filed an application with the Commission for approval of an amendment to the wireless imterconnection agreement with Dobson Cellular Systems, Inc. / American Cellular Corporation under the provisions of the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996. CenturyLink states that the amendment complies with Section 252(e) of the Act in that it is consistent with public interest, convenience and necessity, and not discriminatory to nonparty carriers. CenturyLink is a certificated Incumbent Local Exchange Telecommunications Company; American Cellular is a wireless carrier not regulated by this 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 Amendment to 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, the 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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