

# 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 Under ) **File No. IK-2023-0107**  
the Telecommunications Act of 1996 )

## ORDER APPROVING INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT

Issue Date: November 1, 2022

Effective Date: December 1, 2022

This order approves a negotiated Interconnection Agreement between the parties filed by Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, d/b/a AT&T Missouri.

On September 19, 2022, AT&T Missouri filed an application with the Commission for approval of a negotiated Interconnection Agreement with AT&T Corp., Teleport Communications America, LLC under the provisions of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996. AT&T Missouri is certified with the Commission as an incumbent local exchange carrier. AT&T Corp., Teleport Communications America, LLC is certificated with the Commission as a competitive local exchange and interexchange carrier.

Although AT&T Corp., Teleport Communications America, LLC is a party to the Agreement, it did not join in the application. On September 29, 2022, the Commission issued an order making AT&T Corp., Teleport Communications America, LLC a party in this case and directing any party wishing to request a hearing to do so no later than October 14, 2022. No requests for hearing were filed.

Under Section 252(e) of the Act, any Interconnection Agreement adopted by negotiation must be submitted to the Commission for approval. The Commission may reject an Agreement if it finds that the Agreement is discriminatory or that it is not consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity.

On October 26, 2022, the Staff of the Commission filed a recommendation. Staff recommends that the Agreement be approved and notes that the Agreement meets the limited requirements of the Act in that it is not discriminatory toward nonparties and is not against the public interest.

The Commission has considered the application, the supporting documentation, and Staff's recommendation. Based upon that review, the Commission finds that the Agreement meets the requirements of the Act in that it does not discriminate against a nonparty carrier and implementation of the Agreement is not inconsistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity.

The application represents that the applicant has not had contact with the Office of the Commission about any substantive issue connected to the filing within 60 days before filing the application. On the basis of that representation, for good cause shown, the Commission will waive application of the pre-filing notice requirements of Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-4.017(1).

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. The Interconnection Agreement between AT&T Missouri and AT&T Corp., Teleport Communications America, LLC, filed on September 19, 2022, is approved.
2. This order shall become effective on December 1, 2022.
3. This file may be closed on December 2, 2022.



**BY THE COMMISSION**

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Morris L. Woodruff  
Secretary

Morris L. Woodruff, Chief Regulatory Law  
Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant  
to Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 1<sup>st</sup> day of November, 2022.

**STATE OF MISSOURI**

**OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.**

**WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 1<sup>st</sup> day of November, 2022.**



  
**Morris L. Woodruff**  
**Secretary**

**MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

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**Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).**

**Sincerely,**



**Morris L. Woodruff  
Secretary**

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