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Rule Number 4 CSR 240-28.080

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TYPE OF RULEMAKING ACTION TO BE TAKEN

- Emergency rulemaking, include effective date
- Proposed Rulemaking
- Withdrawal Rule Action Notice In Addition Rule Under Consideration
- Request for Non-Substantive Change
- Statement of Actual Cost
- Order of Rulemaking

Effective Date for the Order _____

Statutory 30 days OR Specific date _____

Does the Order of Rulemaking contain changes to the rule text? NO

YES—LIST THE SECTIONS WITH CHANGES, including any deleted rule text:

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April 1, 2015

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Re: 4 CSR 240-28.080 Interconnection Agreements

Dear Secretary Kander,

CERTIFICATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE RULE

I do hereby certify that the attached is an accurate and complete copy of the proposed rulemaking lawfully submitted by the Missouri Public Service Commission.

The Public Service Commission has determined and hereby certifies that this proposed rulemaking will not have an economic impact on small businesses. The Public Service Commission further certifies that it has conducted an analysis of whether there has been a taking of real property pursuant to section 536.017, RSMo 2000, that the proposed rulemaking does not constitute a taking of real property under relevant state and federal law, and that the proposed rulemaking conforms to the requirements of 1.310, RSMo, regarding user fees.

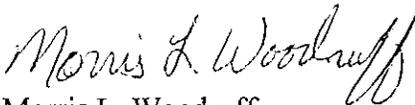
The Public Service Commission has determined and hereby also certifies that this proposed rulemaking complies with the small business requirements of 1.310, RSMo, in that it does not have an adverse impact on small businesses consisting of fewer than fifty full or part-time employees or it is necessary to protect the life, health, or safety of the public, or that this rulemaking complies with 1.310, RSMo, by exempting any small business consisting of fewer than fifty full or part-time employees from its coverage, by implementing a federal mandate, or by implementing a federal program administered by the state or an act of the general assembly.

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Statutory Authority: sections 386.040, 386.250, 386.310, and 392.461, RSMo 2000 and 392.450, RSMo Supp. 2013

If there are any questions regarding the content of this proposed rulemaking, please contact:

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Enclosures

**Title 4—DEPARTMENT OF
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
Division 240 – Public Service Commission
Chapter 28 –Telecommunications, I-VoIP, Video Services**

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4 CSR 240-28.080 Interconnection Agreements

PURPOSE: This rule identifies requirements and procedures for applications for new interconnection agreements, the adoption of previously approved interconnection agreements and amending interconnection agreements.

(1) An application for approval of an interconnection agreement or amendment to an interconnection agreement that has not previously been approved shall be submitted and signed by an attorney licensed to practice law in Missouri. The application shall be electronically filed as a new case submission in EFIS.

(A) The Application shall include the following:

1. The legal names of the applicants;
2. The type of organization of the applicant (Missouri corporation, foreign corporation, partnership, proprietorship, other);
3. Applicant's mailing address, electronic mail address, fax number and telephone number; and
4. A statement that no annual report or assessment fees are overdue.

(B) The interconnection agreement shall—

1. Have all pages of the agreement sequentially numbered; and
2. Be signed by both parties to the agreement.

(2) An adoption of an approved interconnection agreement or amendment that has been previously approved by the commission can be requested by either company by submitting a letter to the secretary of the commission. Approved interconnection agreements whose original term has expired, but which remain in effect pursuant to term renewal or extension provisions, will be subject to adoption for so long as the interconnection agreement remains subject to the renewal or extension provision. The adoption will become effective on the date it is properly submitted to the commission.

(A) The letter shall include:

1. The case number in which the adopted agreement was previously approved by the commission;
2. The tracking number or case number of any amendments the parties will adopt; and
3. A copy of the signature page signed by both parties to the adoption.

(B) If both parties have signed the signature page to the adoption the request shall be electronically filed as an Interconnection Agreement Informal Submission in EFIS.

(C) If both parties have not signed the signature page to the adoption the adopting company shall file an application with the commission. The application shall be electronically filed as a new case submission in EFIS. The application shall be submitted and signed by an attorney licensed to practice law in Missouri and shall contain the following:

1. The legal name of the applicant;

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2. The type of organization of the applicant (Missouri corporation, foreign corporation, partnership, proprietorship, other);
3. Applicant's mailing address, electronic mail address, fax number and telephone number;
4. A statement that no annual report or assessment fees are overdue; and
5. An explanation of the applicant's inability to obtain the other party's signature on the adoption.

(D) The commission will send notice to the non-signing party allowing twenty (20) days for objection. If no objection is filed, the adoption will be approved by the commission. If an objection is filed, the commission will determine whether the adoption should be approved or rejected.

AUTHORITY: Sections 386.040, 386.250 and 386.310, 392.461, RSMo 2000, and 392.450 RSMo (Supp. 2013.).

Original authority: 386.040, RSMo 1939; 386.250 RSMo 1939, amended 1963, 1967, 1977, 1980, 1987, 1988, 1991, 1993, 1995, 1996; 386.310 RSMo 1939, amended 1979, 1989, 1996; 392.461, RSMo, and 392.450, RSMo (Supp. 2013).

PUBLIC COST: *This proposed rule will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than \$500.00 in the aggregate.*

PRIVATE COST: *This proposed rule will not cost private entities more than \$500.00 in the aggregate.*

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING: *Anyone may file comments in support of or in opposition to this proposed rule with the Missouri Public Service Commission, Morris L. Woodruff, Secretary of the Commission, PO Box 360, Jefferson City, MO 65102. To be considered, comments must be received at the commission's offices on or before June 29, 2015, and should include a reference to Commission Case No. TX-2015-0097. Comments may also be submitted via a filing using the commission's electronic filing and information system at <http://www.psc.mo.gov/efis.asp>. A public hearing regarding this proposed rule is scheduled for July 6, 2015, at 10:00 a.m., in Room 305 of the Governor Office Building, 200 Madison St., Jefferson City, Missouri. Interested persons may appear at this hearing to submit additional comments and/or testimony in support of or in opposition to this proposed rule, and may be asked to respond to commission questions. Any persons with special needs as addressed by the Americans with disabilities Act should contact the Missouri Public Service Commission at least ten (10) days prior to the hearing at one (1) of the following numbers: Consumer Services Hotline 1-800-392-4211 or TDD Hotline 1-800-829-7541.*

Small Business Regulator Fairness Board

Small Business Impact Statement

Date: October 28, 2014

Rule Number: 4 CSR 240-28.080

Name of Agency Preparing Statement: Missouri Public Service Commission

Name of Person Preparing Statement: Kari Salsman

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Name of Person Approving Statement: Natelle Dietrich

Please describe the methods your agency considered or used to reduce the impact on small businesses (*examples: consolidation, simplification, differing compliance, differing reporting requirements, less stringent deadlines, performance rather than design standards, exemption, or any other mitigating technique*).

Proposed rule simplifies and streamlines rules, which will reduce any impact on small businesses.

Please explain how your agency has involved small businesses in the development of the proposed rule.

The Commission held workshops and solicited informal comments from affected entities, including small businesses.

Please list the probable monetary costs and benefits to your agency and any other agencies affected. Please include the estimated total amount your agency expects to collect from additionally imposed fees and how the moneys will be used.

None.

Please describe small businesses that will be required to comply with the proposed rule and how they may be adversely affected.

Telecommunications companies and IVoIP providers will be required to comply with the proposed rule.

Please list direct and indirect costs (in dollars amounts) associated with compliance.

N/A

Please list types of business that will be directly affected by, bear the cost of, or directly benefit from the proposed rule.

Telecommunications companies and IVoIP providers.

Does the proposed rule include provisions that are more stringent than those mandated by comparable or related federal, state, or county standards?

Yes___ No_X_

If yes, please explain the reason for imposing a more stringent standard.

For further guidance in the completion of this statement, please see §536.300, RSMo.