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Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge
Missouri Public Service Commission
P.O. Box 360
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Re[.]

Case No. TT-2003-0043 Tariff File No. 200300034 FILED⁴
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Dear Judge Roberts:

Attached for filing with the Commission is the original and five (5) copies of AT&T Communications of the Southwest, Inc.'s Application to Intervene in the above-referenced docket.

I thank you in advance for your cooperation in bringing this to the attention of the Commission.

Very truly yours,

Rebecca B. DeCook

Attachment

cc: All Parties of Record

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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In the Matter of the Tariff of Spectra Communications Group, LLC, PSC MO No. 2, Facilities for Intrastate Access

<u>Case No. TT-2003-0043</u> Tariff No. 200300034

AT&T COMMUNICATIONS OF THE SOUTHWEST, INC'S <u>APPLICATION TO INTERVENE</u>

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COMES NOW AT&T Communications of the Southwest, Inc. ("AT&T") pursuant to section 386.420 RSMo and 4 CSR 240-2.075, and respectfully seeks to intervene in this proceeding. In support of its Application to Intervene, AT&T states as follows:

1. AT&T is a competitive local and interexchange telecommunications company duly incorporated and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Delaware, authorized to do business in the State of Missouri as a foreign corporation.

AT&T's principal Missouri offices are located at 101 W. McCarty, Ste. 216, Jefferson City, MO 65101. AT&T has been granted authority to provide local exchange service and basic local exchange service in portions of Missouri as well as intrastate interexchange telecommunications services in Missouri under authority granted and tariffs approved by the Commission, as well as an authorized provider of interstate interexchange telecommunications services under a certificate granted and tariffs approved by the Federal Communications Commission. All correspondence, pleadings, orders, decision and communications regarding this proceeding should be sent to:

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- 2. On July 12, 2002 Spectra Communications Group, LLC, issued a tariff to revise its intrastate access tariff provisions relating to when Spectra can demand a security deposit from other telecommunications carriers. On August 8, 2002, the Commission issued an order suspending the tariff until September 10, 2002 in order to allow the Commission to further consider the tariff. On September 5, 2002, the Commission issued its order further suspending tariff, directing notice and establishing an intervention deadline of September 25, 2002.
- 3. AT&T is purchaser of access services from Spectra Communications
 Group LLC. As a wholesale customer, AT&T has an interest in this proceeding that is
 different from that of the general public. AT&T may be adversely affected by the tariff
 proposed by Spectra Communications Group LLC. Therefore, a decision on this matter
 will affect its interest as a provider of telecommunications services in Missouri. At this
 time, AT&T is unsure of the position it will take in this proceeding.

WHERFORE, AT&T respectfully requests the Commission to grant this Application to Intervene.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY certify that copies of the foregoing were served to the following by first class mail on this 25th Day of September, 2002

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Re: Spectra Communications Group, LLC
-Revised Tariff Filing

Records Public Service Commission

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for substitution regarding the above referenced tariff filing, please find three (3) copies of the following revised tariff sheet:

PSC MO. NO. 2, 1" Revised Sheet 16, Cancels Original Sheet 16

Please see that this sheet is substituted for the sheet previously filed with your office on July 12, 2002.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact me at (573) 635-7166. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

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cc: Office of Public Counsel

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Re: Spectra Communication Group, LLC

PSC MO. No. 2 Facilities for Intrastate Access

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of Spectra Communications Group, LLC, please find three copies of the following revised tariff sheets.

PSC MO. NO. 2, Section 2, 1st Revised Sheet 16, Cancels Original Sheet 16 PSC MO. NO. 2, Section 2, Original Sheet 16.1

The purpose of this filing is to change the deposit regulations related to conditions under which the Company may request security deposits from carriers (not local exchange service subscribers). Given the current financial environment, particularly in the telecommunications industry, the Company is facing greater risks for uncollectibles due to the payment defaults and feels these revisions are necessary to ensure that adequate security is held as a guarantee of payment.

Please see that this filing is brought to the attention of the appropriate Commission personnel. If there are any questions regarding the attached they may be directed to me at the above number.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely

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FACILITIES FOR INTRASTATE ACCESS

GENERAL REGULATIONS (Cont'd)

- 2.3 Obligation of the Customer (Cont'd)
 - 2.3.12 (Reserved for Future Use)
 - 2.3.13 Coordination With Respect to Network Contingencies

The customer shall, in cooperation with the Telephone Company, coordinate in planning the actions to be taken to maintain maximum network capability following natural or man-made disasters which affect telecommunications services.

- 2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances
 - 2.4.1 Payment of Charges and Deposits
 - (A) Deposits

In order to safeguard its interests, the Telephone Company reserves the right to require the customer to secure its account prior to the establishment of service and/or at any time after the provision of service in the form of a cash deposit, as described below.

A security deposit may be required prior to the installation of new service or the transfer of existing service, when the customer has a proven history of late payments to the Telephone Company or does not have established credit. Such security deposit will not exceed an amount equal to the estimated total rates and charges for the services(s) ordered for a two-month period.

A security deposit or an additional security deposit may be required from an existing customer at any time following installation of service when: 1) the customer has established a history of late payments to the Telephone Company; 2) the customer's gross monthly billing has increased beyond the amount initially used to estimate a security deposit, if applicable; and/or 3) the Telephone Company becomes aware that the customer's credit worthiness has fallen below commercially acceptable levels as determined by an independent credit rating or reporting service. The Company would use Standard and Poors or another nationally recognized rating agency. Customers would be expected to maintain a rating of a BBB, or equivalent rating, as the measure of a Customer's credit worthiness. Such security deposit will not exceed an amount equal to the total rates and charges for two months of the customer's actual billing for the service(s). In the event an existing customer fails to remit a deposit required under this section, service(s) to that customer may be discontinued in accordance with the terms specified in Section 2.1.8(A), preceding.

If pursuant to this section, the Telephone Company requests a security deposit from an existing customer that has any term plan commitment in and such existing customer accepts the condition that continuation of its service(s) is contingent upon its provision to the Telephone Company of the requested security deposit, then the regulations specified in this section will apply to the customer for the remainder of the term plan commitment to which the customer subscribes.

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Material has been moved to Sheet 16.1

FACILITIES FOR INTRASTATÉ ACCESS

. GENERAL REGULATIONS (Cont'd)

2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)

2.4.1 Payment of Charges and Deposits (Cont'd)

(A) Deposits (Cont'd)

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If pursuant to this section, the Telephone Company requests a security deposit from an existing customer that has any term plan commitment in place and such existing customer rejects the condition that continuation of its service(s) is contingent upon its provision to the Telephone Company of the requested security deposit, then upon discontinuance of the customer's service(s) and the resulting termination of the associated term plan commitment(s), the Telephone Company will waive the applicable termination liability charge(s) for each such term plan commitment terminated.

The fact that a deposit has been made in no way relieves the Customer from complying with the Telephone Company's regulations as to the prompt payment of bills. At such (M) time as the provision of the service to the customer is terminated, the amount of the deposit will be credited to the customer's account and any credit balance which may remain will be refunded.

Such a deposit will be refunded or credited to the account when the customer has (M) established commercially acceptable credit as defined above and has established a (C) one-year prompt payment record. For the period the deposit is held by the Telephone (C) Company, the customer will receive simple interest at the same percentage rate as that (C) set forth in the Telephone Company General and/or Local Tariff. (M)

(B) Where the provision of FIA requires facilities that meet any of the conditions specified in 10.1.1, Special Construction charges in Section 10 will apply.

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Issued: July 12, 2002

Effective: August 11, 2002