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RE: Case No. TO-2001-489

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing in the above-captioned case are an original and eight (8) conformed copies of a **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**.

This filing has been mailed or hand-delivered this date to all counsel of record.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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Missouri Public  
Service Commission

In the Matter of the Application of )  
VoiceStream Wireless Corporation for )  
Approval of its Interconnection )  
Agreement with Southwestern Bell )  
Telephone Company Pursuant to Section )  
252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of )  
1996 )

Case No. TO-2001-489

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) and for its recommendation respectfully states:

1. In the attached Memorandum, labeled Appendix A, the Staff recommends that the Missouri Public Service Commission grant approval of the Missouri Agreement for Interconnection and Reciprocal Compensation dated January 22, 2001 (Interconnection Agreement), filed by VoiceStream Wireless under the provisions of the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996.

2. The terms of the Interconnection Agreement do not appear to discriminate against telecommunications carriers not party to the Interconnection Agreement and do not appear to be against the public interest, convenience or necessity. Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. §252(e), the Commission is to approve a negotiated interconnection agreement unless the terms of the agreement discriminate against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement, or implementation of the agreement or any portion thereof is inconsistent with the public interest, convenience, or necessity.

WHEREFORE, because the terms of this agreement satisfy the standard set forth in 47 U.S.C. §252(e), in that they do not appear to discriminate against telecommunications carriers

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not a party to the Interconnection Agreement and do not appear to be against the public interest, convenience and necessity, the Staff recommends the Commission grant approval of the Interconnection Agreement, and that the Commission direct the parties to the agreement to submit any future modifications or amendments to the Interconnection Agreement to the Commission for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

DANA K. JOYCE  
General Counsel

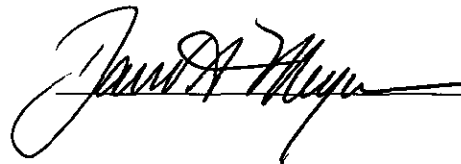


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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed or hand-delivered to all counsel of record as shown on the attached service list this 12<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2001.



## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File  
Case No. TO-2001-489  
Parties: VoiceStream Wireless Corporation and Southwestern Bell Telephone Company

**From:** Lisa Mahaney, Telecommunications Department

Bruce Voight 4-12-01      Wm K Haas 4/12/01  
Utility Operations Division/Date      General Counsel Office/Date

**Subject:** Staff Recommendation for Approval of Interconnection Agreement

**Date:** April 12, 2001

**Date Filed:** 3/15/01

**Staff Deadline:** 4/19/01

The Telecommunications Department Staff (Staff) recommends the Parties be granted approval of the submitted (may check more than one)

- ☐ Resale Agreement
- ☐ Facilities-based Interconnection Agreement
- ☒ Wireless Interconnection Agreement

The Parties submitted the proposed Agreement to the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) pursuant to the terms of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (Act). Staff has reviewed the proposed Agreement and believes it meets the limited requirements of the Act. Specifically, the Agreement: 1) does not appear to discriminate against telecommunications carriers not party to the Agreement and 2) does not appear to be against the public interest, convenience or necessity.

Is there an attachment to this recommendation indicating any recommendations or special considerations? ☐ Yes ☒ No

From	Initials	Date	Revised
Lisa Mahaney	LM	4/12/01	
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Mr. VanEschen			
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**Interconnection Agreement Review Items**

- ☒ No applications to intervene filed
- ☒ Terms and rates in Agreement similar to those contained in approved Interconnection Agreement, i.e., TO-97-523, Ameritech Mobile Communications, Inc. and Southwestern Bell Telephone Company
- ☒ Agreement signed by both Parties

Staff recommends the Commission direct the Parties to submit any modifications or amendments

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