

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In Re: Application of Lathrop Telephone) Company for Approval of an Interconnection) and Reciprocal Compensation Agreement) under the Telecommunications Act of 1996)	Case No. TK-2007-0050
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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 Interconnection and Reciprocal Compensation Agreement between Lathrop Telephone Company and Nextel West Corp. (Agreement) filed by Lathrop Telephone Company under the provisions of the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996.

2. The terms of the Agreement do not discriminate against telecommunications carriers not a party to the Agreement and are not 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 the Agreement satisfy the standard set forth in 47 U.S.C. §252(e), Staff recommends the Commission approve the Agreement and direct the parties to submit any future modifications or amendments to the Agreement to the Commission for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Jennifer Heintz

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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all counsel of record this 30th day of August 2006.

/s/ Jennifer Heintz

MEMORANDUM

To: Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File
Case No. **TK-2007-0050**
Party: Lathrop Telephone Company
Type of Carrier:
☒ ILEC
☐ CLEC
☐ Wireless

Party: Nextel West Corp.
Type of Carrier:
☐ ILEC
☐ CLEC
☒ Wireless

From: Walt Cecil, Telecommunications Department

Natelle Dietrich/ August 30, 2006 William K. Haas/ August 30, 2006
Utility Operations Division/Date General Counsel Office/Date

Subject: Staff Recommendation for Approval of Interconnection Agreement or
Amendment to Interconnection Agreement

Date: August 30, 2006

Date Filed: August 7, 2006

Staff Deadline: September 8, 2006

The Telecommunications Department Staff (Staff) recommends the Parties be granted approval of the submitted:

- ☒ Interconnection Agreement
☐ Amendment not previously approved

The parties submitted the proposed Agreement or Amendment 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 discriminate against telecommunications carriers not party to the Agreement and 2) is not against the public interest, convenience or necessity. Staff recommends the Commission direct the Parties to submit any modifications or amendments to the Commission.

☐ The applicants have not submitted a serially numbered copy of the Agreement or Amendment. Staff recommends the Commission direct the Parties to submit a serially numbered copy of the Agreement or Amendment.

☒ Staff has a serially numbered copy of the Agreement or Amendment.

Additional Interconnection Agreement or Amendment Review Items

☒ No applications to intervene filed.

☒ Agreement or Amendment signed by both Parties.

Additional recommendations or special considerations (if any):

☒ The Company is not delinquent in filing an annual report and paying the PSC assessment.

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AFFIDAVIT OF WALT CECIL

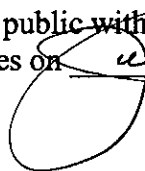
STATE OF MISSOURI)
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COUNTY OF COLE)

Walt Cecil, employee of the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, being of lawful age and after being duly sworn, states that he has participated in the preparation of the accompanying memorandum and that the facts therein are true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief.



Walt Cecil

Subscribed and affirmed before me this 30th day of August, 2006. I am commissioned as a notary public within the County of Cole, State of Missouri, and my commission expires on June 7, 2008.







NOTARY PUBLIC

