

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Dobson)
Cellular Systems, Inc. for Approval of an)
Amendment to a Cellular-PCS Interconnection)
Agreement with Southwestern Bell Telephone,)
L.P. d/b/a AT&T Missouri)
Case No. TK-2007-0321

ORDER DIRECTING NOTICE AND MAKING
SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE, L.P., d/b/a AT&T MISSOURI A
PARTY

Issue Date: March 7, 2007

Effective Date: March 7, 2007

This order provides notice of this application to interested parties and joins the other party to the amendment to the interconnection agreement, Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a AT&T Missouri (AT&T Missouri), as a party to this proceeding.

On March 2, 2007, Dobson Cellular Systems, Inc. (Dobson) filed an application with the Commission for approval of an amendment to the interconnection agreement with AT&T Missouri¹ under the provisions of the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996. Dobson states that there are no unresolved issues and that the agreement complies with Section 252(e) of the Act in that it is not discriminatory to nonparty carriers and is consistent with the public interest.

¹ The original Interconnection Agreement was entered into between (a) American Cellular Corporation and Dobson Communications Corporation and (b) Southwestern Bell Telephone Company. Pursuant to the Amendment in this proceeding, the Agreement was assigned to Dobson by American Cellular Corporation and Dobson Communications Corporation.

Although AT&T Missouri is a party to the agreement, it did not join in the application. Because AT&T Missouri is a necessary party to a full and fair adjudication of this matter, the Commission will add it as a party to this case.

The Act provides that an interconnection or resale agreement must be approved unless the state commission finds that the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement, or that implementation of the agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity.² Section 252(e)(4) of the Act provides that if the Commission has not approved an agreement within 90 days after submission, the agreement shall be deemed approved. Therefore, the Commission will proceed with this case expeditiously. The Commission finds that proper persons shall be allowed 20 days from the issuance of this order to file a motion for hearing. The Commission also finds that notice of this application shall be sent to all interexchange and local exchange telecommunications companies.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. The Commission's Data Center shall send notice to all interexchange and local exchange telecommunications companies.
2. Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a AT&T Missouri is made a party to this case.
3. Any party wishing to request a hearing shall do so by filing a pleading no later than March 27, 2007, with:

Colleen M. Dale, Secretary
Missouri Public Service Commission
Post Office Box 360
Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

² 47 U.S.C. § 252(e).

and send copies to:

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William D. Steinmeier, P.C.
2031 Tower Drive, P.O. Bo x104595
Jefferson City, Missouri 65109

Legal Department
Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a AT&T Missouri
One AT&T Center
St. Louis, Missouri 63101

and:

Office of the Public Counsel
Post Office Box 2230
Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

4. The Staff of the Commission shall file a memorandum advising either approval or rejection of this agreement and giving the reasons therefor no later than April 6, 2007.

5. This order shall become effective on March 7, 2007.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Colleen M. Dale', is written over a horizontal line.

Colleen M. Dale
Secretary

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Colleen M. Dale, Chief Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority pursuant
to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 7th day of March, 2007.