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

Tari Christ d/b/a ANJ Communications, et al.,	)
Complainants,	)
v.	) <u>Case No. TC-2005-0067</u>
Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, L.P. d/b/a Southwestern Bell Telephone Company,	) ) )
Respondent	)

## ORDER DIRECTING AT&T MISSOURI TO FILE ITS ANSWER

Issue Date: July 28, 2011 Effective Date: July 28, 2011

On August 27, 2004, Tari Christ d/b/a ANJ Communications, and 27 other Missouri private payphone service providers, filed a Complaint against Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, L.P. d/b/a Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (n/k/a AT&T Missouri). Before AT&T Missouri filed its answer, the parties agreed to mediate their dispute. For that reason, on November 10, 2004, the Commission stayed this proceeding to allow the parties an opportunity to mediate. Since that time, the parties have filed dozens of monthly progress reports - the most recent on June 6, 2011 - all indicating that they continue to negotiate, but have not scheduled a mediation session.

This case has been sitting on the Commission's docket for nearly seven years with no discernable progress toward resolution. That is long enough. Therefore, the Commission will order AT&T Missouri to file its answer or notice that the complaint has been satisfied no later than August 29, 2011.

## THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- 1. Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a AT&T Missouri shall file its answer or notice that the complaint has been satisfied no later than August 29, 2011.
  - 2. This order shall become effective immediately upon issuance.

## BY THE COMMISSION

Steven C. Reed Secretary

(SEAL)

Morris L. Woodruff, Chief Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 28<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2011.