BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application for)	
Approval of an Amendment to the)	
Interconnection Agreement Between)	Case No. TO-2006-0216
Covad Communications Company and)	
Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P., d/b/a)	
SBC Missouri.)	

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

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

- 1. In the attached Memorandum, which is labeled Appendix A, the Staff recommends that the Missouri Public Service Commission approve the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement between Covad Communications Company and Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a SBC Missouri (now d/b/a AT&T Missouri).
- 2. The Commission's authority to approve or reject this Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement is pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.
- 3. The Staff concludes that the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement does not discriminate against telecommunications carriers not a party to the Agreement and the Agreement is not against the public interest, convenience or necessity. The Staff recommends the Commission direct the Parties to submit any modifications or amendments to the Commission for approval.

WHEREFORE, the Staff recommends approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement.

Respectfully submitted,

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MEMORANDUM

Го:	Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File Case No. TO-2006-0216 Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a SBC Missouri (now d/b/a AT&T Missouri) Covad Communications Company		
From:	Sherri Kohly Telecommunications Department		
	William L. Voight 12/29/05 Utility Operations Division/Date	Marc Poston 1/4/06 General Counsel's Office/Date	
Subject:	Recommendation to Approve Amendment to Interconnection Agreement		
Date:	December 29, 2005		
On November 22, 2005, Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. (SBC) d/b/a SBC Missouri (now d/b/a AT&T Missouri) submitted an application for approval of an amendment to the interconnection agreement between SBC and Covad Communications Company. The Commission's December 5, 2005 Order Directing Notice establishes an intervention deadline of December 27, 2005, and orders Staff to file a recommendation no later than January 5, 2006. No parties filed applications to intervene. According to SBC's application, this amendment has not previously been approved by the Commission. The proposed amendment deletes certain provisions and revises some provisions from the 13-state "Sam Adams" amendment that the parties previously reached in December 2000. The proposed amendment was signed by both parties in June 2005. The Telecommunications Department Staff (Staff) believes the proposed amendment meets the limited requirements of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. The proposed modification to the interconnection agreement does not discriminate against telecommunications carriers not party to the agreement and is not against the public interest, convenience and necessity. Therefore, the Staff has no objection to the amendment and recommends the Commission approve the interconnection agreement amendment at its earliest convenience. The Staff is not aware of any other filing which affects or which would be affected by this filing.			
The Conthe conthe approp		Commission grant the requested relief/action. The applicant should be instructed to make the delinquency.	