DEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of)	
Southwestern Bell Telephone Company,)	
d/b/a AT&T Missouri for Approval of an)	File No. TK-2019-0195
Amendment to an Interconnection Agreement)	
Under the Telecommunications Act of 1996	j	

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and submits its *Recommendation* as follows:

- 1. On December 21, 2018, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Missouri ("AT&T") filed an application with the Commission for approval of an amendment (Amendment) to an interconnection agreement (Agreement) with Matrix Telecom, LLC which does business as Excel Telecommunications, Matrix Business Technologies, and VarTec Telecom, ("Matrix") under the provisions of the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996. AT&T states that the agreement complies with Section 252(e) of the Act in that it is consistent with public interest, convenience and necessity, and not discriminatory to nonparty carriers. AT&T is a certificated Incumbent Local Exchange Telecommunications Company and registered to provide Interconnected Voice over Internet Protocol service; Matrix is a certificated competitive local exchange and interexchange carrier. A copy of AT&T's fictitious name registration was provided to Staff and is attached hereto as Appendix A.
- 2. On December 26, 2018, the Commission issued an order, which in part provided that any party wishing to intervene or request a hearing must do so no later than January 10, 2019, and also directing Staff to file a recommendation or status report

no later than January 25, 2019. As of the date of this filing, no parties have requested to intervene or requested a hearing.

- 3. 47 USC 252(e)(2) provides that a state commission may only reject an interconnection agreement adopted by negotiation if the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to it or its implementation is not consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity.
- 4. In lieu of a Memorandum, Staff herein states that the Amendment to the Agreement does not discriminate against telecommunications carriers not parties to it, nor is its implementation inconsistent with the public interest, convenience or necessity.

WHEREFORE, Staff recommends the Commission approve the Amendment and direct the parties to submit to the Commission any subsequent modifications or amendments to the interconnection agreement.

Respectfully submitted,

<u>/s/ Alexandra L. Klaus</u>

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ERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile, or electronically mailed to all parties and/or counsel of record on this 8th day of January. 2019.

/s/ Alexandra L. Klaus

STATE OF MISSOURY

John R. Ashcroft Secretary of State

CORPORATION DIVISION
CERTIFICATE OF CORPORATE RECORDS

AT&T Missouri X001306986

I, JOHN R. ASHCROFT, Secretary of State of the State of Missouri and Keeper of the Great Seal thereof, do hereby certify that the annexed pages contain a full, true and complete copy of the original documents on file and of record in this office.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause to be affixed the GREAT SEAL of the State of Missouri. Done at the City of Jefferson, this 7th day of January, 2019.

Secretary of State

Certification Number: CERT-01072019-0121



State of Missouri

John R. Ashcroft, Secretary of State

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John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State

Registration of Fictitious Name

(Submit with filing fee of \$7.00) (Must be typed or printed)

This information is for the use of the public and gives no protection to the name being registered. There is no provision in this Chapter to keep another person or business entity from adopting and using the same name. The fictitious name registration expires 5 years from the filing date. (Chapter 417, RSMo)

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