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ν.	Complainant,)) Case No. TC-2012-0284)
Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P., d/b AT&T Missouri,	n/a)))
	Respondent.	
	AFFIDAVIT OF	F WILLIAM E. GREENLAW
COUNTY OF DALI) SS	
I, William E. Greenl	aw, of lawful age, bei	ing duly sworn, depose and state:
Services, Inc. 2. Attached hereto	and made a part hereo	of for all purposes is my Surrebuttal Testimony. wers contained in the attached testimony to the
		and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.
		William E. Greenlaw

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- 2 Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BUSINESS ADDRESS.
- 3 A. My name is William E. Greenlaw. My business address is 311 S. Akard Street, Dallas,
- 4 TX 75202.
- 5 Q. ON WHOSE BEHALF ARE YOU PROVIDING SURREBUTTAL TESTIMONY TODAY?

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- 8 A. Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, d/b/a AT&T Missouri ("AT&T Missouri").
- 9 Q. HAVE YOU PREVIOUSLY FILED TESTIMONY IN THIS PROCEEDING?
- 10 A. Yes. I am the same William E. Greenlaw who filed direct and rebuttal testimony on
- behalf of AT&T Missouri on September 28, 2012 and October 19, 2012 respectively.
- 12 Q. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR SURREBUTTAL TESTIMONY?
- 13 A. My surrebuttal testimony responds to the rebuttal testimony filed on November 9, 2012,
- by the Staff of the Missouri Public Services Commission. I respectfully note that the
- billing accuracy matter addressed by Staff in response to Mr. Jennings' rebuttal testimony
- was not actually raised in Big River's March 1, 2012, complaint filed with the
- 17 Commission, nor made the subject of any informal dispute resolution ("IDR") process in
- accordance with the parties' interconnection agreement ("ICA"). Consequently, it is not
- 19 properly an issue in the case.
- 20 II. <u>SURREBUTTAL</u>
- 21 Q. STAFF'S REBUTTAL TESTIMONY REFERENCES A CONCERN ABOUT THE
- 22 ACCURACY OF THE BILLS PROVIDED BY AT&T MISSOURI TO BIG
- 23 RIVER, AT PAGE 9, LINE 20 THROUGH PAGE 10, LINE 5. WHAT DO YOU
- 24 UNDERSTAND TO BE THE BASIS OF THAT CONCERN?

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- 26 A. Based on my reading of Staff's testimony and its citations, it appears that Staff is
- 27 referring to Mr. Jennings' rebuttal testimony filed October 19, 2012. Specifically on

page 4, Line 1 through the conclusion on page 6, Mr. Jennings makes assertions which I summarize as follows: 1) Big River did request call detail records "to support one of [AT&T's] bills"; 2) the data that AT&T provided Big River upon that request did not allow Mr. Jennings' to be able to verify that the charges were properly rated or jurisdictionalized; 3) Mr. Jennings and I had no interaction or discussion regarding the dispute; and 4) my lack of documented billing and accounting expertise essentially invalidates any conclusion I could accurately make regarding the applicability of these charges or the usage that resulted in their billing.

9 Q. WHAT DOES THE PARTIES' ICA SAY ABOUT THE INFORMATION REQUIRED TO RESOLVE A BILLING DISPUTE?

- 11 A. The ICA sets forth specific requirements regarding the information that a CLEC must 12 provide when submitting a dispute about charges which have been billed to the CLEC. 13 Section 9.3 of the General Terms and Conditions states:
 - "If any portion of an amount due to a party (the "Billing Party") under this agreement is subject to a bona fide dispute between the parties, the party billed (the "Non-Paying Party") must, prior to the bill due date, give written notice to the billing party of the amounts it disputes ("Disputed Amounts") and include in such written notice the specific details and reasons for disputing each item that is listed in Section 13.4.1..."

Section 13.4.1 of the General Terms and Conditions states:

"In order to resolve a billing dispute, the disputing Party shall furnish written notice which shall include sufficient detail of and rationale for the dispute, including to the extent available, the (i) date of the bill in question, (ii) CBA/ESBA/ASBS or BAN number of the bill in question, (iii) telephone number(s) in question, (iv) circuit ID number or trunk number in question, (v) any USOC information relating to the item(s) questioned, (vi) amount billed, (vii) amount disputed, (viii) the reason the disputing Party disputes the billed amount, (ix) minutes of use disputed by jurisdictional category, and (x) the contact name, email address and telephone number."

Q. IF A CLEC REQUESTS USAGE RECORDS, BUT DOES NOT FOLLOW-UP ON THAT REQUEST OR IF IT REMAINS UNSATISFIED BY THE RESPONSE, IS THE MERE REQUEST REGARDED AS A VALID BILLING DISPUTE UNDER THE TERMS OF THE ICA?

No, not according to the terms of the ICA in Section 9.3 or Section 13.4.1. AT&T can not effectively investigate a billing dispute when no information was provided by the CLEC as to what specific information on the billing records is being disputed. Simply requesting usage records to validate the bill -- and not pursuing the request if the data provided is thought to be insufficient -- does not constitute a billing dispute in accordance with the ICA.

Q. WHAT DOES THE ICA SAY ABOUT DISPUTE RESOLUTION?

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A. Section 13 of the General Terms and Conditions of the parties' ICA addresses the escalation of billing disputes and the levels of dispute resolution available to the parties.

In particular, Section 13.3.1 addresses "Informal Resolution of Disputes" (also referred to as "IDR") and states in part:

"In the case of any dispute other than one covered by Section 9.3, and at the written request of a Party, each Party will appoint a knowledgeable, responsible representative with authority to resolve the dispute. To initiate the informal dispute process, a Party must provide to the other Party, written notice of the dispute that includes both a detailed description of the dispute and the name of an individual who will serve as the initiating Party's representative. The other Party shall have five (5) business days to designate its own representatives. The location, form, frequency, and conclusion of these discussions will be left to the discretion of the representatives...."

The fact that Big River had invoked the IDR process regarding its assertion that its traffic was enhanced services traffic, and thereby exempt from applicable access charges, is not in dispute. However, based on the rebuttal testimony from Mr. Jennings on which Staff relied, the nature of what was discussed and included in the context of this IDR process requires some clarification. AT&T witness Janice Mullins provides that clarification in her surrebuttal testimony, as she was the person designated to represent AT&T regarding the dispute which Big River submitted to AT&T.

- Q. IF THERE WAS ANY CONCERN ON THE PART OF BIG RIVER REGARDING
 THE SUBJECT OF USAGE RECORD VALIDATION, IS IT APPROPRIATE TO
 CONCLUDE THAT, UNDER THE TERMS OF THE PARTIES' ICA, BIG RIVER
 SHOULD HAVE BROUGHT THE SUBJECT TO THE ATTENTION OF MS.
 MULLINS, AS AT&T'S APPOINTED IDR REPRESENTATIVE?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. IS THERE ANY INDICATION IN AT&T'S RECORDS KEPT IN THE
 8 ORDINARY COURSE OF ITS BUSINESS THAT BIG RIVER CORRESPONDED
 9 WITH THE COMPANY REGARDING THE CALL DETAIL DATA THAT AT&T
 10 PROVIDED TO BIG RIVER IN FEBRUARY, 2012?
- 11 No. I never received any inquiry from or had any discussion with anyone at Big River A. about it, and no records indicate otherwise. After I learned of the matter as it was 12 referenced in Mr. Jennings' rebuttal testimony and then noted in Staff's rebuttal 13 14 testimony, I undertook to determine what data was sent to Big River and by whom, and 15 what happened next. I was able to locate the data which AT&T provided to Big River in February, 2012, and correspondence confirming that the data was indeed provided. I was 16 17 unable to locate, however, any e-mails, correspondence or other documents indicating 18 that Big River thereafter followed up on the matter.
- 19 Q. DO YOU WORK FOR THE ORGANIZATION WITHIN AT&T THAT PROCESSES AND RENDERS BILLINGS TO CLECS, SUCH AS BIG RIVER?
- 21 A. No, I do not; however one does not have to be a "billing expert" to understand that a
 22 comparison of usage records between the recording switch and the terminating switch
 23 will not provide the necessary evidence to determine whether the calls in question are an
 24 enhanced service or not. Comparing originating and terminating records assists in
 25 validating quantifiable data relating to the charges billed including, but not limited to: the
 26 calling party's number (i.e., the "originating" number), the called party's number (i.e., the
 27 "terminating" number), the operating company number, the trunk group identification,

- and the date, time and duration of each call. It does not provide any validation as to
 whether any such call was an enhanced service.
- Q. IS IT AT&T MISSOURI'S POSITION THAT BIG RIVER MAY NOT REQUEST THAT THE COMMISSION RESOLVE WHETHER AT&T ACCURATELY BILLED THE ACCESS CHARGES IT BILLED TO BIG RIVER?
- A. Yes. That issue was not presented to AT&T nor was it preserved in accordance with the parties' ICA. Furthermore, it is outside of the scope of Big River's complaint. The issue before the Commission in this docket is to decide whether or not Big River is providing I-VoIP service which, according to §392.550 RSMo, specifically requires the payment of access charges for non-local calls. To the extent Big River is not providing I-VoIP service, AT&T agrees with the Staff's determination that Big River's network enhancements do not amount to "enhanced service."
- 13 Q. DOES THIS CONCLUDE YOUR SURREBUTTAL TESTIMONY?
- 14 A. Yes.