

# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application Approval of an )  
Interconnection Agreement between Consolidated )  
Communications of Missouri Company d/b/a ) **File No. IK-2024-0039**  
Consolidated Communications (Missouri Company) )  
and DISH Wireless, L.L.C. )

## ORDER APPROVING INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT

Issue Date: September 22, 2023

Effective Date: October 22, 2023

This order approves a negotiated Interconnection Agreement between the parties filed by Consolidated Communications of Missouri Company d/b/a Consolidated Communications (Missouri Company).

On August 18, 2023, Consolidated Communications (Missouri Company) filed an application with the Commission for approval of a negotiated Interconnection Agreement (the Agreement) with DISH Wireless, L.L.C. under the provisions of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the Act). Consolidated Communications (Missouri Company) is certified with the Commission as an incumbent local exchange. DISH Wireless, L.L.C. is a Wireless/Cellular company.

Although DISH Wireless, L.L.C. is a party to the Agreement, it did not join in the application. On August 25, 2023, the Commission issued an order making DISH Wireless, L.L.C. a party in this case and directing any party wishing to request a hearing to do so no later than September 9, 2023. No requests for hearing were filed.

Under Section 252(e) of the Act, any Interconnection Agreement adopted by negotiation must be submitted to the Commission for approval. The Commission may reject

an Agreement if it finds that the Agreement is discriminatory or that it is not consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity.

On September 12, 2023, the Staff of the Commission (Staff) filed a recommendation. Staff recommends that the Agreement be approved and notes that the Agreement meets the limited requirements of the Act in that it is not discriminatory toward nonparties and is not against the public interest.

The Commission has considered the application, the supporting documentation, and Staff's recommendation. Based upon that review, the Commission finds that the Agreement meets the requirements of the Act in that it does not discriminate against a nonparty carrier and implementation of the Agreement is not inconsistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity.

The application represents that the applicant has not had contact with the Office of the Commission about any substantive issue connected to the filing within 60 days before filing the application. On the basis of that representation, for good cause shown, the Commission will waive application of the pre-filing notice requirements of Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-4.017(1).

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. The Interconnection Agreement between Consolidated Communications (Missouri Company) and DISH Wireless, L.L.C., filed on August 18, 2023, is approved.
2. The pre-filing notice requirements of Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-4.017(1) are waived.
3. This order shall become effective on October 22, 2023.
4. This file may be closed on October 23, 2023.



**BY THE COMMISSION**

*Nancy Dippell*

Nancy Dippell  
Secretary

Nancy Dippell, Chief Regulatory  
Law Judge, by delegation of authority  
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of September, 2023.

**STATE OF MISSOURI**

**OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.**

**WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of September, 2023.**



*Nancy Dippell*  
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**Nancy Dippell**  
**Secretary**

**MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

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**Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).**

*Sincerely,*



**Nancy Dippell  
Secretary**

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