

BEFORE 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 Amendment to the Paging Facilities) **File No. IK-2021-0246**
Agreement Under the Telecommunications Act)
of 1996)

ORDER APPROVING AMENDMENT TO INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT

Issue Date: March 17, 2021

Effective Date: April 16, 2021

This order approves an amendment to the Paging Facilities Agreement between the parties filed by Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, d/b/a AT&T Missouri (AT&T Missouri).

On February 2, 2021, AT&T Missouri filed an application with the Commission for approval of an amendment to its negotiated Paging Facilities Agreement with American Messaging Services, LLC (American Messaging Services) under the provisions of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996. AT&T Missouri is certificated with the Commission as an incumbent local exchange carrier and is a registered IVolP provider. American Messaging Services is a wireless/cellular provider.

Although American Messaging Services is a party to the Agreement, it did not join in the application. On February 8, 2021, the Commission issued an order making American Messaging Services a party in this case and directing any party wishing to request a hearing to do so no later than February 23, 2021. 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 March 9, 2021, the Staff of the Commission 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 as amended meets the requirements of the Act in that it does not discriminate against a nonparty carrier and implementation of the Agreement as amended is not inconsistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The amendments to the Paging Facilities Agreement between AT&T Missouri and American Messaging Services, filed on February 2, 2021, is approved.
2. This order shall become effective on April 16, 2021.
3. This file may be closed on April 17, 2021.



BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Morris L. Woodruff, Chief Regulatory Law
Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant
to Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 17th day of March, 2021.