

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 Spectra Communications Group, LLC)
d/b/a CenturyLink, and Charter Fiberlink – Missouri,)
LLC Pursuant to the Telecommunications Act of 1996)
File No. IK-2023-0352

ORDER APPROVING AMENDMENT TO INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT

Issue Date: May 25, 2023

Effective Date: June 24, 2023

This order approves an amendment to a negotiated Interconnection Agreement between the parties filed by Spectra Communications Group, LLC d/b/a CenturyLink.

On April 7, 2023, CenturyLink filed an application with the Commission for approval of an amendment to their negotiated Interconnection Agreement with Charter Fiberlink – Missouri, LLC (Charter) under the provisions of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996. CenturyLink is certified with the Commission as an incumbent local exchange. Charter is certificated with the Commission as a competitive local exchange and interexchange carrier.

Although Charter is a party to the Agreement, it did not join in the application. On April 20, 2023, the Commission issued an order making Charter a party in this case and directing any party wishing to request a hearing to do so no later than May 5, 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 May 19, 2023, the Staff of the Commission filed a recommendation. Staff recommends that the Agreement as amended be approved and notes that the Agreement as amended 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 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 amendment to the Interconnection Agreement between CenturyLink and Charter, filed on April 7, 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 June 24, 2023.
4. This file may be closed on June 25, 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 25th day of May, 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 25th day of May, 2023.



Nancy Dippell

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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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