## 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 an Interconnection Agreement Under the Telecommunications Act of 1996

File No. IK-2021-0379

## ORDER APPROVING AMENDMENT TO INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT

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Issue Date: June 3, 2021

Effective Date: July 3, 2021

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

On April 27, 2021, AT&T Missouri filed an application with the Commission for approval of an amendment to its negotiated Interconnection Agreement with YMax Communications Corp. (YMax Communications) under the provisions of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996. AT&T Missouri is certificated with the Commission as an incumbent local exchange carrier. YMax Communications is certificated with the Commission as a competitive local exchange and interexchange carrier.

Although YMax Communications is a party to the Agreement, it did not join in the application. On April 30, 2021, the Commission issued an order making YMax Communications a party in this case and directing any party wishing to request a hearing to do so no later than May 15, 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 May 28, 2021, the Staff of the Commission filed a recommendation. Staff recommends that the Agreement as amended 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 has reviewed the application filed by the Company and finds that it and the attached affidavit comply with the filing requirements set forth in Section 392.550, RSMo. The affidavit attached to the application represents that the company 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).

This order will be issued with less than a 30-day effective date to comply with Section 392.550, RSMo.

## THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The amendment to the Interconnection Agreement between AT&T Missouri and YMax Communications, filed on April 27, 2021, is approved.

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2. The pre-filing notice requirements of Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-4.017(1)

are waived.

- 3. This order shall become effective on July 3, 2021.
- 4. This file may be closed on July 4, 2021.



## BY THE COMMISSION

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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 3<sup>rd</sup> day of June, 2021.