

**BEFORE THE MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
FOR THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of the Application of)	
Alma Telephone Company for)	
Approval of an Amendment to its)	
Traffic Termination Agreement)	Case No. _____
With Sprint Spectrum, L.P., d/b/a)	
Sprint PCS on Behalf of its Affiliates.)	

Application

Comes now Alma Communications Company d/b/a Alma Telephone Company (hereinafter “Company”), pursuant to 47 USC 252 and 4 CSR 240-3.513 (6) (C), and hereby requests that the Commission approve an amendment to its existing Traffic Termination Agreement, or interconnection agreement, between Company and Sprint Spectrum, L.P. d/b/a Sprint Spectrum on behalf of its affiliates (“Sprint”). In support of this Application, Company states as follows:

1. Company is statutorily referred to as an incumbent local exchange telecommunications company, properly certificated and doing business in Missouri. The name of its principal contact for this case, and its address and contact information is as follows:

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2. Copies of all pleadings, orders, and other filings in this docket should be served upon the following counsel for Company:

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3. Sprint is a limited liability company authorized to and doing business in the state of Missouri as a Commercial Mobile Radio Service Provider licensed by the FCC. Copies of filings made in this proceeding can be served upon the following agent/attorney for Sprint:

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4. This Commission by Order of May 28, 2004 in Case No. TK-2004-0551, approved the Traffic Termination Agreement currently in effect between Company and Sprint.

5. By Order released November 18, 2011 “In the Matter of the Connect America Fund, et al., WC Docket No. 10-90 et al. (see paragraphs 736-846), as modified by its December 23, 2011 Order in that same docket (see paragraphs 6-8), the FCC has directed that forward-looking cost based reciprocal compensation rates for intrMTA traffic exchanged by CMRS providers and ILECs be replaced with zero compensation, or

a “bill and keep” rate for such traffic effective July 1, 2012, and has further directed that ILECs enter into good faith negotiations with CMRS carriers requesting amendments to existing interconnection agreements based upon change of law provisions.

6. Sprint has so made a request upon Company, and thereafter Sprint and Company have voluntarily agreed to the Amendment for which approval is requested herein. The Amendment is attached hereto.

7. The Amendment has been negotiated, agreed to, executed, and submitted to the Commission for approval voluntarily, in compliance with the aforementioned FCC Orders, by Sprint and Company.

8. There are no outstanding issues for which mediation or arbitration are needed or requested.

9. This Amendment has not been previously approved by this Commission.

10. The Amendment primarily changes the rate for intraMTA traffic originated by Sprint, transited to Company, and transported and terminated by Company. The Amendment otherwise does not change the structure of the Agreement itself.

11. Company requests approval of the Amendment, without change, suspension, or delay. The implementation of this Amendment complies with Section 252 (e) of the Act in that the Amendment is consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity, and does not discriminate against any telecommunications carrier.

12. Company has no pending actions or final, unsatisfied adverse judgments or decisions which involve customer service or rates that have occurred within the last three years from the date of this Application.

13. Company has no annual report or assessment fees that are overdue.

WHEREFORE, Company respectfully requests that the Commission enter an Order approving this Amendment.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing document was delivered by electronic mail this 30th day of May, 2012 to counsel for MoPSC Staff, for the Office of Public Counsel, and for Sprint.

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