# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF Missouri

In the Matter of the Application of AT&T	)		
Communications of the Southwest, Inc., d/b/a	)		
ConQuest, for a Certificate of Authority to	)	Case No	 
Provide Competitive Intrastate Interexchange	)		
Telecommunications Service within the State	)		
of Missouri and for Competitive Classification.	)		

## VERIFIED APPLICATION

AT&T Communications of the Southwest, Inc., d/b/a ConQuest ("Applicant"), pursuant to Sections 392.361, 392.410, 392.420, 392.430, 392.440, RSMo. (2000) and 4 CSR 240-2.060 and 4 CSR 240-3.510, files this verified Application<sup>1</sup> requesting that the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") issue an order:

- granting Applicant a Certificate of Service Authority to provide competitive intrastate, interexchange telecommunications services between and among locations within the State of Missouri;
- granting competitive status to Applicant and Applicant's requested services;
- waiving or suspending certain Commission rules and statutory provisions, consistent with the Commission's past treatment of other certificated providers of competitive interexchange telecommunications services; and,
- approving Applicant's proposed tariff which, in accordance with 4 CSR 240-3.510(1)(C), is being filed with an effective date which is not fewer than forty-five (45) days after the tariff's issue date.

In support of its request, Applicant states as follows:

1. Applicant is a foreign corporation formed and operating under the laws of the State of Delaware and is duly authorized to transact business in the State of Missouri. Pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.060(1)(C) and (E), respectively, Applicant submits a copy of its Certificate of Authority to

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This Application is verified, in accordance with 4 CSR 2.060(1)(M).

transact business in Missouri and a copy of the registration of its fictitious name as Exhibits A and B.

2. Applicant's legal name, principal place of business and related information is:

AT&T Communications of the Southwest, Inc., d/b/a ConQuest One AT&T Way Bedminster, New Jersey 07921 Telephone: 913-685-7581

Facsimile: 913-685-9334

3. All communications, notices, orders and decisions regarding this Application and proceeding should be addressed to:

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and to:

Wauneta B. Browne Regional Vice President Legislative and Regulatory Affairs AT&T Communications of the Southwest, Inc. 11425 West 146<sup>th</sup> Street Olathe, Kansas 66062 wauneta.browne@att.com

- 4. Applicant requests authority to provide prepaid calling card service that will allow residence and business customers a full range of interexchange telecommunications services originating and terminating within Missouri and directory assistance services. Current services are reflected in its proposed tariff filed with this Application, attached hereto as Exhibit C.
- 5. Applicant acknowledges 4 CSR 240-3.510(1)(C), which requires that a tariff be filed with and approved by the Commission. Accordingly, Applicant's tariff for its prepaid calling card service, which contains the rules and regulations applicable to its provision of its interexchange

telecommunications services to its customers, a description of the services offered, and a list of rates associated with such services, is set forth in Exhibit C, which bears a forty-five (45) day effective date. In a separately filed Motion, Applicant asks the Commission to approve the tariff on an expedited basis so that it will be effective on October 31, 2006.

- 6. Applicant requests that it and all of its services proposed herein be classified as competitive. Applicant believes that the highly developed state of the interexchange telecommunications services market in Missouri and nationwide ensures that its proposed services will be subject to sufficient competition to warrant a lesser degree of regulation.
- 7. Applicant requests streamlined regulatory treatment afforded similarly situated telecommunications companies in Missouri. Likewise, to the extent that the Commission has granted other competitive interexchange carriers waivers of certain of the Commissions rules and regulations, Applicant respectfully requests that it be granted the same waivers.
- 8. Consistent with the Commission's treatment of other certificated interexchange telecommunications companies, Applicant respectfully requests, pursuant to Sections 392.361.5 and 392.420, RSMo 2000, that the following rules, regulations and statutes be waived with respect to its interexchange service offerings:

4 CSR 240-30.040 --**Uniform System of Accounts** 4 CSR 240-10.020 Depreciation Fund Income Section 392.210.2 **Uniform System of Accounts** Section 392.240.1 Rates-Rentals-Service & Physical Connections Section 392.270 Valuation of Property Section 392.280 **Depreciation Accounts** Section 392.290 Issuance of Securities Acquisition of Stock Section 392.300.2 Section 392.310 --Issuance of Stock and Debt Stock Dividends Section 392.320 Section 392.330 Issuance of Securities, Debt and Notes Section 392.340 Reorganization(s) --

- 9. Applicant will comply fully with all applicable Commission rules except those that are specifically waived by the Commission pursuant to the Applicant's request herein. To the extent that the Commission may modify its waiver policies, Applicant respectfully reserves the right to amend its waiver requests accordingly.
- 10. Pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.060(1)(K), Applicant has no pending actions or final unsatisfied judgments or decisions against it from any state or federal agency or court which involve customer service or rates, which action, judgment or decision has occurred within three (3) years of the date of this Application.
- 11. Pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.060(1)(L), Applicant states that no Commission annual report or assessment fees are overdue.
- 12. Applicant is financially capable of providing the services proposed, and it possesses the managerial and technical expertise to provide those services at standards that meet or exceed all applicable service standards established by the Commission. AT&T Communications of the Southwest, Inc. is certificated to provide telecommunications services in Missouri and currently operates in all 50 states.
- 13. Applicant submits that the public interest will be served by Commission approval of this Application because the proposed services will create and enhance competition and expand customer service options consistent with the legislative goals set forth in the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 and Chapter 392, RSMo. Prompt approval of this Application will also expand the availability of innovative, high quality and reliable telecommunications services within Missouri.

WHEREFORE, AT&T Communications of the Southwest, Inc., d/b/a ConQuest, respectfully requests that the Commission: (1) grant it a certificate of authority to provide intrastate interexchange telecommunications services within the State of Missouri; (2) grant Applicant and its

proposed services competitive status; (3) waive the application of the above referenced Commission rules and statutory provisions; (4) approve its filed tariff; and (5) grant Applicant such other and further relief as may be just and appropriate in the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

AT&T COMMUNICATIONS OF THE SOUTHWEST, INC., D/B/A CONQUEST

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# VERIFICATION

STATE OF KANSAS	)
	) SS
COUNTY OF SHAWNEE	)

I, Wauneta Browne, of lawful age, and being first duly sworn, now state: I am Regional Vice President Legislative and Regulatory Affairs for AT&T Enterprise Services, Inc. I verify that, based upon information and belief, I have knowledge of the statements in the foregoing Application, and declare that they are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Wauneta Browne

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 264 day of September, 2006.

NOTARY PUBLIC - State of Kansas

MARY A. REED

My Appt. Exp. Lol/15/06

May A Reed Notary Public

My Appointment Expires: Notabu 15, 8006

# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

Copies of this document were served on the following parties by e-mail on September 29, 2006.

Leo J. Bub

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Robin Carnahan Secretary of State

# CORPORATION DIVISION CERTIFICATE OF GOOD STANDING

I, ROBIN CARNAHAN, Secretary of the State of Missouri, do hereby certify that the records in my office and in my care and custody reveal that

AT&T COMMUNICATIONS OF THE SOUTHWEST, INC.

using in Missouri the name

AT&T COMMUNICATIONS OF THE SOUTHWEST, INC. F00257156

a DELAWARE entity was created under the laws of this State on the 17th day of October, 1983, and is in good standing, having fully complied with all requirements of this office.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have set my hand and imprinted the GREAT SEAL of the State of Missouri, on this, the 29th day of September, 2006



Certification Number: 9087324-1 Reference:

Verify this certificate online at http://www.sos.mo.gov/businessentity/verification





# State of Missouri

Matt Blunt, Secretary of State

Corporations Division

# Registration of Fictitious Name (Submit in duplicate with filing fee of \$7)

(Must be typed or printed)

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This information is for the use of the public and gives no protection to the name. There is no provision in this Chapter to keep another person or business from adopting and using the same name. (Chapter 417, RSMo.)

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	We, the undersigned, are doing	business under the following	name, and at the followi	ng address:	
	Business name to be registered	ConQuest			
	Business Address:	1100 Walnut St., Town P	avillion, Kansas City, M	O 64141	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
(P.O. Box alone not acceptable) City, State and Zip Code:				<u> </u>	
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Individual Owners Sign Here AT&T Com. **Business Entity** Business Name Owner, John W. Thomson, Asst. Secy. uthorized Printed Name Title Person Authorized Signature Execute Here County of Lusquinos, A Notary Public, do hereby certify that on\_ ham So and being duly sworn by me, acknowledged that personally appeared before me\_ he/she signed as his/her own free act and deed the foregoing document in the capacity therein set forth and declared that the statements therein contained are true. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year before written. (Notarial Seal or Stamp) MICHELEMENS WUINOS NOTARY PUBLIC OF NEW JERSEY My Commission Expires Feb. 17, 2005 My commission expires My County of Commission... Corp. #56 (11/00)

The undersigned, being all the parties owning interest in the above company, being duly sworn, upon their oaths each did say

that the statements and matters set forth herein are true.

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# MESSAGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE

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# AT&T COMMUNICATIONS OF THE SOUTHWEST, INC. d/b/a CONQUEST

SCHEDULE OF RATES

**FOR** 

### **TELEPHONE SERVICE**

This Tariff applies to Message Telecommunications Service furnished or made available by AT&T Communications of the Southwest, Inc. d/b/a ConQuest, hereafter referred to as the Company, or furnished jointly with other carriers to its authorized territories within the State of Missouri.

Pursuant to applicable Missouri law, the Company is a competitive telecommunications company and all services offered by it are competitive telecommunications services.

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# WAIVER OF RULES AND REGULATIONS

# **STATUTORY PROVISIONS**

SECTION(S)	PROVISION(S)
Section 392.210.2 Section 392.240.1 Section 392.270	Uniform System of Accounts General rate case filings Authority to ascertain value of property
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Section 392.320	Certificate requirement prior to issuance of stocks, bonds, etc.
Section 392.330	Accounting for disposition of funds from sale of stocks, bonds
Section 392.340	Approval required for reorganizations

# PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION RULES

4 CSR 240-10.020	Depreciation fund income
4 CSR 240-30.040	Uniform system of accounts

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## **EXPLANATION OF SYMBOLS**

- (DR) Indicates discontinued rate
- (AT) Indicates addition to text
- (RT) Indicates removal of text
- (CR) Indicates change in rate
- (CP) Indicates change in practice
- (NR) Indicates a new rate
- (C) Indicates a correction
- (MT) Indicates moved text
- (FC) Indicates a change in format or numbering

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### MESSAGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE

#### 1.1 TWO-POINT SERVICE

## 1.1.1 ConQuest Prepaid Phone Card Service

#### A. General

ConQuest Prepaid Card Service provides outbound voice grade communications service for calls charged to the following prepaid phone cards ("Prepaid Phone Cards"):

 Prepaid Phone Cards containing the ConQuest brand (hereinafter "ConQuest Prepaid Phone Cards"). Services provided with ConQuest Prepaid Phone Cards are provided by AT&T d/b/a ConQuest.

Customers can purchase ConQuest Prepaid Phone Cards as follows:

ConQuest Prepaid Phone Cards directly from retailers.

When sold through a retailer, price points for Prepaid Phone Cards and recharged minutes are established by the retailer and are prominently disclosed at the point of sale.

This in-state offer is also an add-on to the interstate ConQuest Prepaid Phone Card services described in the Prepaid Phone Card Service Agreement located at <a href="https://www.prepaidserviceguide.com">www.prepaidserviceguide.com</a>

The Company concurs in the terms and conditions governing Prepaid Phone Card Service as set fourth in AT&T Communications of the Southwest, Inc's. P.S.C. Mo. No. 15 tariff as filed with the Missouri Public Service Commission, including any subsequent changes to AT&T Communications of the Southwest, Inc. tariff.

# B. Rates and Charges

When sold by retailers, price points for Prepaid Phone Cards are established by the retailer. Prices for cards sold by retailers are prominently displayed on the card or otherwise clearly provided to the customer. The price points do not include any sales tax and may not include other fees and charges that may apply to the transaction at point of purchase.

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### MESSAGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE

### 1.1 TWO-POINT SERVICE

- 1.1.1 ConQuest Prepaid Phone Card Service (Continued)
  - B. Rates and Charges (Continued)

Calls are billed in one minute increments. Partial minutes used are billed as full minutes.

- 1. ConQuest Prepaid Phone Cards Minute/Unit based cards are available in various denominations ranging up to 1200 interstate minutes/units per card, and Dollar based cards are available in various denominations up to \$100.00, or as otherwise specified. These cards will have a maximum per minute interstate price not greater than \$1.99. ConQuest Prepaid Phone Cards are not rechargeable unless otherwise expressly stated on the card or packaging. If rechargeable, a recharge convenience fee of up to a maximum of 15% of the recharge amount applies. ConQuest Prepaid Phone Cards may have an expiration date as disclosed on the card and/or in the marketing material. In-state calls made with these cards will be decremented one minute/unit for each minute of talk time.
- 2. Directory Assistance is available only through the prepaid card platform and is only available for domestic and Canada directory assistance requests. Directory assistance requests will have a maximum per minute price not greater than 60 minutes/units for minute/unit based cards or \$3.00 for dollar based cards.
- 3. State Universal Service Charge ConQuest may, at its option, apply the State Universal Service Charge at point of sale.
- 4. In addition to the rates described above, the U.S. Public Payphone Surcharge applies when Prepaid Phone Cards are placed from a U.S. public or semi-public payphone and will be deducted using corresponding minutes of talk time.

Prepaid Phone Card Service

- Dollar Based Card

- Unit Based Card

 Dollar Based Card sold From Vending Machines Not to exceed: \$ 1.20

35 Minutes/Units

\$ 3.50