

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

In the Matter of the Application of BellSouth)
Long Distance, Inc. d/b/a AT&T Long Distance)
Service for Approval to Cancel its Certificate) **File No. CD-2012-0055**
of Service Authority to Provide Basic) Tariff No. YC-2012-0066
Local Telecommunications Services)

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and for its recommendation, states as follows:

1. On August 18, 2011, BellSouth Long Distance, Inc., d/b/a AT&T Long Distance Service (“BellSouth”) filed a motion requesting the Commission cancel its certificate of service authority to provide basic local exchange telecommunications service. BellSouth was granted authority to provide interexchange telecommunications services in File No. LM-2004-0552.

2. On the same day, BellSouth notified the Commission that it wished to withdraw its Tariff No. 3, in its entirety, effective September 19, 2011.

3. Because BellSouth requested cancellation of its service authority and it is not providing basic local telecommunications services in Missouri, Staff recommends the Commission cancel its certificate.

4. The Commission has the authority to cancel a telecommunications certificate pursuant to Section 392.410.5 RSMo 2000, which provides “[a]ny certificate of service authority may be altered or modified by the commission after notice and hearing, upon its own motion or upon application of the person or company affected.”

WHEREFORE, Staff recommends that the Commission cancel the Certificate of Service Authority for BellSouth Long Distance, Inc. to provide basic local

telecommunications service in Missouri, and cancel the accompanying tariff, Tariff No. 3, as contained in Tariff Filing No. YC-2012-0066.

Respectfully submitted,



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