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BIG RIVER TELEPHONE COMPANY, LLC

DIRECT TESTIMONY

OF

ANDREW SCHWANTNER

TC-2007-0085

June 21, 2007

STATE OF Missouri)
)
) SS.
COUNTY OF St. Louis Co)

BEFORE THE MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BIG RIVER TELEPHONE)
COMPANY, LLC,)

Complainant,)

V.)

Case No. TC-2007-0085

SOUTHWESTERN BELL)
TELEPHONE, L.P. D/B/A)
AT&T MISSOURI,)

Respondent.)

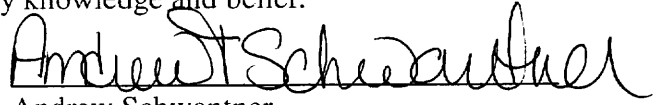
AFFIDAVIT OF ANDREW SCHWANTNER

COMES NOW Andrew Schwantner, of lawful age, sound of mind and being first duly sworn, deposes and states:

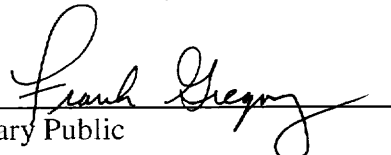
1. My name is Andrew Schwantner. I am the Manager of Contract Compliance for Big River Telephone Company, LLC.

2. Attached hereto and made a part hereof for all purposes is my Direct Testimony in the above-referenced case.

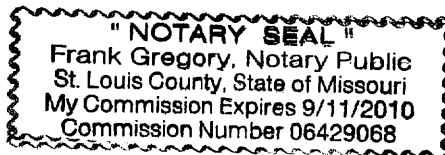
3. I hereby swear and affirm that my statements contained in the attached testimony are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.


Andrew Schwantner

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me, a Notary Public, this 19th day of June, 2007.


Notary Public

My Commission Expires:
(SEAL)



**PRE-FILED DIRECT TESTIMONY
OF
ANDREW SCHWANTNER**

1 **Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BUSINESS ADDRESS.**

2 **A.** My name is Andrew Schwantner. My business address is 24 So. Minnesota Ave., Cape
3 Girardeau, Missouri, 63703.

4 **Q. BY WHOM AND IN WHAT CAPACITY ARE YOU EMPLOYED?**

5 **A.** I am the Manager of Contract Compliance of Big River Telephone Company and have
6 been employed there in that capacity since 2003.

7 **Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE YOUR WORK EXPERIENCE.**

8 **A.** Prior to joining Big River Telephone, I worked for One Star Communications in which
9 I held the title of Application Specialist Manager my duties included developing and
10 documenting all internal engineering and provisioning processes. Assisted in the
11 development of internal OSS systems and ordering systems to interface with other
12 carriers. Before joining One Star, I was employed at NuVox Communications where I
13 oversaw day to day provisioning and escalations to competitive carriers for the
14 Midwest region. My full CV is attached hereto as Schedule S-1.

1 **Q. Please identify Schedule S-2 attached hereto.**

2 A. Schedule S-2 is a series of email messages exchanged between Debbie Josephson of
3 AT&T, the Account Manager assigned to Big River, and me in September 2005, on the
4 dates indicated thereon.

5 **Q. Please identify Schedule S-3 attached hereto.**

6 A. Schedule S-3 is an email message I received from Debbie Josephson on September 15,
7 2005.

8 **Q. Please identify Schedule S-4 attached hereto.**

9 A. Schedule S-4 is a series of email messages exchanged between Debbie Josephson,
10 Jennifer Said (another AT&T employee assigned to Big River's account) and me in
11 November 2005 and January 2006 on the dates indicated thereon.

12 **Q. Did you have telephone conversations with AT&T personnel regarding the**
13 **matters discussed in the Schedule S-4 email?**

14 A. Yes, prior to the exchange of emails on November 17, 2005, Ms. Josephson told me in
15 a telephone conversation that if Big River did not provide a transition plan very soon,
16 AT&T would file a complaint with the Commission and Big River customers would be
17 at risk of losing service.

1 **Q. Please identify Schedule S-5 attached hereto.**

2 A. Schedule S-5 is a series of email messages exchanged between Debbie Josephson and
3 me in February 2006 on the dates indicated thereon, including a bona fide request
4 submitted by Big River as discussed in those emails.

5 **Q. Please identify Schedule S-6 attached hereto.**

6 A. Schedule S-6 is an email I received from Debbie Josephson on March 7, 2006.

7 **Q. Please identify Schedule S-7 attached hereto.**

8 A. Schedule S-7 is a series of email messages I received from AT&T on June 16, 2006.

9 **Q. Did you have telephone conversations with AT&T personnel on June 16, 2006**
10 **regarding moving UNE-P lines to the LWC as discussed in Schedule S-7?**

11 A. Yes. Debbie Josephson called me several times that day seeking authority to make
12 such a change. I told her we would not authorize it.

13 **Q. Does this conclude your direct testimony?**

14 A. Yes.