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**RE: TO-2000-636**

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing in the above-captioned case are an original and eight (8) conformed copies of a **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**.

This filing has been mailed or hand-delivered this date to all counsel of record.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

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In the Matter of the Application of )  
Business Telecom, Inc. d/b/a BTI for )  
Approval of Interconnection Agreement )  
under the Telecommunications Act with )  
Southwestern Bell Telephone Company. )

Case No. TO-2000-636

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) and for its recommendation states:

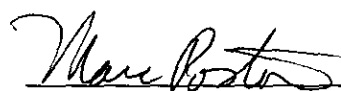
1. In the attached Memorandum, which is labeled Appendix A, the Staff recommends that the Missouri Public Service Commission approve the Interconnection Agreement of Business Telecom, Inc. d/b/a BTI. with Southwestern Bell Telephone Company.
2. The Commission's authority to approve or reject this interconnection agreement is pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.
3. The Staff concludes that the Interconnection Agreement does not appear to discriminate against telecommunications carriers not a party to the agreement and the Agreement does not appear to be against the public interest, convenience or necessity.

WHEREFORE, the Staff recommends approval of the Interconnection Agreement.

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Respectfully submitted,

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# MEMORANDUM

**To:** Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File  
Case No. TO-2000-636

Parties: Business Telecom, Inc. d/b/a BTI  
Southwestern Bell Telephone Company

**From:** Philip M. Garcia, Telecommunications Department

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**Subject:** Staff Recommendation for Approval of Interconnection Agreement

**Date:** May 15, 2000

**Date Filed:** April 12, 2000

The Telecommunications Department Staff (Staff) recommends the Parties be granted approval of the submitted (may check more than one)

- ☒ Resale Agreement
- ☒ Facilities-based Interconnection Agreement
- ☐ Wireless Interconnection Agreement

The Parties submitted the proposed Agreement to the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) pursuant to the terms of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (Act). Staff has reviewed the proposed Agreement and believes it meets the limited requirements of the Act. Specifically, the Agreement: 1) does not appear to discriminate against telecommunications carriers not party to the Agreement and 2) does not appear to be against the public interest, convenience or necessity.

Is there an attachment to this recommendation indicating any recommendations or special considerations? ☐ Yes ☒ No

From	Initials	Date	Revised
Mr. Garcia	pg	May 15, 2000	
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**Interconnection Agreement Review Items**



No applications to intervene filed



Terms and rates in Agreement similar to those contained in approved Interconnection Agreement, i.e., the multi-state agreement between Omniplex Communications Group, LLC and SWBT



Agreement signed by both Parties

Staff recommends the Commission direct the Parties to submit any modifications or amendments.

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