

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

In the Matter of the Application for Approval of an	)	
Interconnection Agreement By and Between	)	
Onvoy, LLC And CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC d/b/a	)	<b><u>File No. TK-2018-0380</u></b>
CenturyLink and Spectra Communications Group, LLC	)	
d/b/a CenturyLink Pursuant to Sections	)	
251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996	)	

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

**COMES NOW** the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and submits its Recommendation as follows:

1. On June 18, 2018, CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC, d/b/a CenturyLink and Spectra Communications Group, LLC, d/b/a CenturyLink ("CenturyLink") filed with the Missouri Public Service Commission an Application for Approval of an Interconnection Agreement executed between it and Onvoy, LLC ("Onvoy").

2. 47 USC 252(e)(2) provides that a state commission may only reject an interconnection agreement adopted by negotiation if the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to it or its implementation is not consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity.

3. In lieu of a Memorandum, Staff hereby states that the Interconnection Agreement does not discriminate against telecommunications carriers not parties to it, nor is its implementation inconsistent with the public interest, convenience or necessity. A copy of the Agreement was filed with the Application. CenturyLink is certificated with the Commission as an incumbent local exchange telecommunications company. Onvoy

is certificated as a competitive local exchange and interexchange telecommunications company.

**WHEREFORE**, Staff recommends the Commission approve the Application and direct the parties to submit to the Commission any modifications or amendments to the Interconnection Agreement.

Respectfully submitted,

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served by electronic mail, or First Class United States Postal Mail, postage prepaid, on this 16<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2018, to all counsel of record.

**/s/Whitney Payne**