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

| Application                    | 0    | t Farber  | Telep | hone  | ) |                       |
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| Company                        | for  | Approval  | of    | an    | ) |                       |
| Interconnect                   | ion  | and       | Recip | rocal | ) | Case No. TK-2007-0249 |
| Compensatio                    | on . | Agreement | under | the   | ) |                       |
| Telecommunications Act of 1996 |      |           |       |       |   |                       |

### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

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

- 1. On January 2, 2007, Farber Telephone Company filed an application with the Commission for approval of an interconnection agreement with wireless carrier Nextel West Corp., under the provisions of the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996.
- 2. Section 252(e) of the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 provides that a State commission may only reject a negotiated agreement if it finds that the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement or if the implementation of the agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity. 47 U.S.C. § 252(e)
- 3. In the attached Memorandum, which is labeled Appendix A, the Staff states that the interconnection agreement does not discriminate against telecommunications carriers not a party to the agreement and is not against the public interest, convenience or necessity.

WHEREFORE, the Staff recommends that the Missouri Public Service Commission approve the interconnection agreement pursuant to the Act, and direct the parties to submit any modifications or amendments.

## Respectfully submitted,

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all counsel of record this 29<sup>th</sup> day of January 2007.

<u>/s/ William K. Haas</u> William K. Haas

| To:                            | Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|--------------------------------|--|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|
|                                | Case No.: <b>TK-2007-0249</b>  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Party:                         | Farber Telephone Company (Farber)  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Type of Carr                   | r:   | Competitive Local Exchange Carrier (CLEC) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Party:                         | Nextel West Corp. (Nextel West)  | Nextel West Corp. (Nextel West)           |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Type of Carr                   | r: ☐ Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier (ILEC) ☐ Competitive Local Exchange Carrier (CLEC) ☐ Wireless Carrier (CMRS)   | Competitive Local Exchange Carrier (CLEC) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| From:                          | Arthur P. Kuss Telecommunications Department   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                | William Voight 01/25/07 /s/ William K. Haas 1/29/07  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                | tility Operations Division/Date  General Counsel's Office/Date   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Subject:                       | Staff Recommendation for Approval of an Interconnection Agreement or<br>Amendment to an Interconnection Agreement  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Date:                          | January 25, 2007   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Date Filed:                    | January 02, 2007 <b>Staff Deadline:</b> February 05, 2007  | 7   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| The Telecomr<br>the submitted: | unications Department Staff (Staff) recommends the Parties be granted ap   | proval of                                 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\boxtimes$                    | Interconnection Agreement  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                | Amendment Not Previously Approved  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Commission (                   | mitted the proposed Agreement or Amendment to the Missouri Public Service (ommission) pursuant to the terms of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (Agreed the proposed Agreement and believes it meets the limited requirements of | Act).                                     |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Act. Specifically, the Agreement: 1) Does not discriminate against telecommunications carriers not party to the Agreement and

2) Is not against the public interest, convenience or necessity.

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

|  | The Applicants have not submitted a serially numbered copy of the Agreement or Amendment. Staff recommends the Commission direct the Parties to submit a serially numbered copy of the Agreement or Amendment.  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
|  | Staff has a serially numbered copy of the Agreement or Amendment.   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Additional Interconnection Agreement or Amendment Review Items |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\boxtimes$  | No applications to intervene have been filed.   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\boxtimes$  | The Agreement or Amendment has been signed by both Parties.   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Additional Recommendations or Special Considerations (if any): |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Annual Report & Assessment Information                         |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | The Parties are not delinquent in filing Annual Reports or paying PSC Assessments.  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | A Party is delinquent. Staff recommends the Commission grant the requested relief/action on the condition that the applicant corrects the delinquency. The applicant should be instructed to make the appropriate filing in this Case after it has corrected the delinquency. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | No Annual Report.   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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| Application of Farber Telepho<br>Approval of an Interconnection<br>Compensation Agreement unde<br>Telecommunications Act of 199 | and Reciprocal<br>r the                        | ) Case No. <b>TK-2007-0249</b> |                       |  |
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|   | AFFIDAVIT OF                                   | Arthur P. Kuss                 |                       |  |
| STATE OF MISSOURI   | )<br>) ss:                                     |                                |                       |  |
| COUNTY OF COLE  | )  |                                |                       |  |
| Arthur P. Kuss, employee of the of lawful age and after being du of the accompanying Memorand best of his knowledge and belie   | lly sworn, states that dum, and that the fact. | t he has participate           | ed in the preparation |  |
| Subscribed and affirmed befor I am commissioned as a Notar  |  |                                | January, 2007.        |  |
| and my commission expires or  |  |                                |                       |  |
| SUSAN L. SUNDERMEYE My Commission Expires September 21, 2010 Callaway County Commission #06942086                               | r<br>NO  | usar S<br>TARY PUBLIC          | lundermeyer           |  |