

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

Application of Steelville Telephone Exchange, )  
Inc. For Approval of an Interconnection and )  
Reciprocal Compensation Agreement Under )  
the Telecommunications Act of 1996 )

Case No. TK-2008-0325

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

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

1. On April 8, 2008, Steelville Telephone Exchange, Inc., filed an application with the Commission for approval of a negotiated interconnection and reciprocal compensation agreement with Sprint PCS 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 (or any portion thereof) if it finds that the agreement (or any portion thereof) discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement or if the implementation of the agreement (or portion) 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 12<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2008.

/s/ William K. Haas

## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File  
Case No. **TK-2008-0325**

Party: Steelville Telephone Exchange, Inc.

Type of Carrier:

- ☒ ILEC  
☐ CLEC  
☐ Wireless

Party: Sprint Spectrum L.P. d/b/a Sprint PCS

Type of Carrier:

- ☐ ILEC  
☐ CLEC  
☒ Wireless

**From:** Walt Cecil, Telecommunications Department

William L. Voight /s/ 5/9/2008

Utility Operations Division/Date

William K. Haas /s/ 5/9/2008

General Counsel Office/Date

**Subject:** Staff Recommendation for Approval of Interconnection Agreement or  
Amendment to Interconnection Agreement

**Date:** May 9, 2008

**Date Filed:** 4/8/2008

**Staff Deadline:** May 12, 2008

The Telecommunications Department Staff (Staff) recommends the Parties be granted approval of the submitted:

- ☒ Interconnection Agreement  
☐ Amendment not previously approved

The parties submitted the proposed Agreement or Amendment 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 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**

☒ No applications to intervene filed.

☒ Agreement or Amendment signed by both Parties.

**Additional recommendations or special considerations (if any):**

☒ The Company is not delinquent in filing an annual report and paying the PSC assessment.

☐ The Company is delinquent. Staff recommends the Commission grant the requested relief/action on the condition 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 ☐ Unpaid PSC assessment. Amount owed:     )

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**AFFIDAVIT OF WALT CECIL**

STATE OF MISSOURI     )  
                                  )ss  
COUNTY OF COLE     )

Walt Cecil, being of lawful age and after being duly sworn, states that he is employed by the Missouri Public Service Commission as a Regulatory Economist in the Telecommunications Department. Mr. Cecil states he has participated in the preparation of the accompanying memorandum and further states the facts and such matters therein are true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Walt Cecil  
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Subscribed and affirmed before me this 9<sup>th</sup> day of May 2008



SUSAN L. SUNDERMEYER  
My Commission Expires  
September 21, 2010  
Callaway County  
Commission #06942086

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NOTARY PUBLIC