

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

In Re: Amendment to the Interconnection )  
and Reciprocal Compensation Agreement )  
between USCOC of Greater Missouri, )  
LLC d/b/a U.S. Cellular and Southwestern )  
Bell Telephone Company, d/b/a AT&T )  
Missouri, pursuant to Section 251 and 252 )  
of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. )

Case No. TK-2008-0095

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

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

1. On October 4, 2007, USCOC of Greater Missouri, LLC, d/b/a U.S. Cellular filed an application with the Commission for approval of an amendment to an interconnection agreement with AT&T Missouri under the provisions of the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996.

2. U.S. Cellular stated that there are no unresolved issues and that the agreement complies with Section 252(e) of the Act because it is not discriminatory to nonparty carriers and it is consistent with the public interest.

3. Even though AT&T Missouri is a party to the agreement, it did not join in the application, therefore, the Commission joined AT&T as a party on October 5, 2007 in order to ensure a full and fair adjudication of this matter.

4. The federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 provides that an interconnection or resale agreement must be approved unless the Commission determines that the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement, or that implementation of the agreement is inconsistent with the public interest, convenience, or necessity.

5. The Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission has reviewed the proposed agreement and prepared a memorandum, attached hereto as Appendix A.

6. In its memorandum, Staff states that it believes that the proposed agreement meets the limited requirements of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

7. Specifically, Staff believes that the proposed agreement does not discriminate against telecommunications carriers not a party to the agreement, and the proposed agreement is not against the public interest, convenience, or necessity.

WHEREFORE, the Staff recommends that the Commission approve the amendment to the interconnection agreement and find that the proposed agreement does not discriminate against telecommunications carriers not a party to the agreement, and the proposed agreement is not against the public interest, convenience, or necessity.

Respectfully submitted,

/ **Blane Baker**  
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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 5<sup>th</sup> day of November 2007.

/ Blane Baker  
Blane Baker

## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File  
Case No. **TK-2008-0095**  
Party: U.S. Cellular  
Type of Carrier:  
☐ ILEC  
☐ CLEC  
☒ Wireless

Party: AT&T Missouri  
Type of Carrier:  
☒ ILEC  
☐ CLEC  
☐ Wireless

**From:** Lisa Mahaney, Telecommunications Department

William Voight	10/31/07	William K. Haas	10/31/07
Utility Operations Division/Date		General Counsel Office/Date	

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

**Date:** October 31, 2007

**Date Filed:** 10/4/07

**Staff Deadline:** 11/5/07

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 Agreement is amended to add new Sections 3.3.2.1 and 3.3.2.2 “Originating Party Uses Terminating Party’s Facilities”.

☒ 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 LISA MAHANEY**

STATE OF MISSOURI )  
 ) ss:  
COUNTY OF COLE )

Lisa Mahaney, employee of the Missouri Public Service Commission, being of lawful age and after being duly sworn, states that she has participated in preparing the accompanying memorandum, and that the facts therein are true and correct to the best of her knowledge and belief.

  
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Lisa Mahaney

Subscribed and affirmed before me this 31<sup>st</sup> day of October 2007  
I am commissioned as a notary public within the County of Callaway,  
State of Missouri and my commission expires on 9-21-10



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

  
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NOTARY PUBLIC