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Schoonmaker

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Request of Southwestern

Bell Telephone, L.P. for a Waiver,

Of Certain Requirements of 4 CSR 240-29.040(4)

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Case No. TE-2006-0053

AFFIDAVIT OF ROBERT C. SCHOONMAKER

Robert C. Schoonmaker, of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposes and states as follows:

- 1. My name is Robert C. Schoonmaker. I am employed by GVNW Consulting, Inc. as President and Chief Executive Officer.
- 2. Attached hereto and made a part hereof for all purposes is my direct testimony with accompanying schedules.
- 3. I hereby affirm that my answers contained in the attached testimony to the questions therein propounded are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and that the information contained in the attached schedules is also true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief..

Robert C. Schoonmaker

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24th day of March, 2006.

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My Commission expires:

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NOTARY PUBLIC CALIFORNIA SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY

My Comm. Expires JAN 03, 2009

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1 2 3 4 DIRECT TESTIMONY OF ROBERT C. SCHOONMAKER 5 6 7 **BACKGROUND OF WITNESS** 8 9 Q. Please state your name and address. 10 A. My name is Robert C. Schoonmaker. My business address is 2270 La Montana 11 Way, Colorado Springs, Colorado 80918. 12 13 Q. By whom are you employed and in what capacity? 14 I am President and CEO of GVNW Consulting, Inc., a consulting firm Α. 15 specializing in working with small telephone companies. 16 17 Q. Would you please outline your educational background and business experience? 18 I obtained my Masters of Accountancy degree from Brigham Young University in A. 19 1973 and joined GTE Corporation in June of that year. After serving in several 20 positions in the revenue and accounting areas of GTE Service Corporation and General Telephone Company of Illinois, I was appointed Director of Revenue and 21 22 Earnings of General Telephone Company of Illinois in May, 1977 and continued 23 in that position until March, 1981. In September, 1980, I also assumed the same 24 responsibilities for General Telephone Company of Wisconsin. In March, 1981, I 25 was appointed Director of General Telephone Company of Michigan and in 26 August, 1981 was elected Controller of that company and General Telephone

Company of Indiana, Inc. In May, 1982, I was elected Vice President-Revenue

Requirements of General Telephone Company of the Midwest. In July, 1984, I assumed the position of Regional Manager of GVNW Inc./Management (the predecessor company to GVNW Consulting, Inc.) and was later promoted to the position of Vice President. I served in that position until October 1, 2003 except for the period between December 1988 and November, 1989 when I left GVNW to serve as Vice President-Finance of Fidelity and Bourbeuse Telephone Companies. I was elected to the position of President and Chief Executive Officer effective October 1, 2003. In summary, I have had over 30 years of experience in the telecommunications industry working with incumbent local exchange carrier companies.

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Q. What are your responsibilities in your present position?

In my current position I have overall responsibility for the management and direction of GVNW Consulting, Inc. In addition, I consult with independent telephone companies and provide financial analysis and management advice in areas of concern to these companies. Specific activities which I perform for client companies include regulatory analysis, consultation on regulatory policy, financial analysis, business planning, rate design and tariff matters, interconnection agreement analysis, and general management consulting.

- 21 Q. Have you previously testified in regulatory proceedings?
- 22 A. Yes. I have submitted testimony and/or testified on regulatory policy, local competition, rate design, accounting, compensation, tariff, rate of return,

interconnection agreements, and separations related issues before the Illinois Commerce Commission, the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin, the Michigan Public Service Commission, the Iowa Utilities Board, the Tennessee Public Service Commission, the New Mexico Public Regulation Commission, the Public Utilities Commission of the state of South Dakota, the Public Service Commission of West Virginia, the Public Utility Commission of Texas, and the Missouri Public Service Commission. In addition, I have filed written comments on behalf of our firm on a number of issues with the Federal Communications Commission and have testified before the Federal-State Joint Board in CC Docket #96-45 on Universal Service issues.

- 12 Q. On whose behalf are you testifying in this case?
- 13 A. I am testifying on behalf of the Small Telephone Company Group ("STCG") and
 14 the Missouri Independent Telephone Group ("MITG"). The individual companies
 15 in these two groups are contained in Schedule RCS-1 attached to my testimony.

- 17 Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?
- I will provide some of the history related to the provision of records from tandem companies such as AT&T Missouri to the small Missouri companies over the years. I will further review the provisions of the Commission's enhanced network rule related to the provision of that information in the records provided by AT&T Missouri.

HISTORY REGARDING RECORDS IN MISSOURI

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3	Q.	Has the issue of the correct records and record types to be provided by tandem
4		companies to the small Missouri ILECs been an issue in prior proceedings before
5		this Commission?

6 A. That issue has been raised in a number of proceedings before the Commission over the past ten years.

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9 Q. When did the Commission first address, to your knowledge, the question of records to be provided in regard to terminating wireless traffic?

I recall that issue being addressed in Case No. TT-97-524 which involved proposed revisions to the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (SWBT) tariff for terminating wireless calls so SWBT would only provide a transiting function for wireless carriers rather than their prior responsibility for terminating calls. One of the issues raised in that case was the lack of appropriate records for the small Missouri ILECs to be able to bill for such wireless calls. In its order in that case the Commission required SWBT to provide Cellular Terminating Service Usage Reports (CTUSR), but did not require more detailed individual call records. The Commission stated, "The Commission has also found that SWBT should be required to make available a Cellular Usage Summary Report that contains information sufficient to allow third-party LECs to bill wireless carriers

for wireless-originating traffic which terminates in the exchanges of the thirdparty LECs."

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- What was the next proceeding where the issue of appropriate records and record types was brought before the Commission?
- A. To the best of my recollection, this issue was brought before the Commission in

 Case No. TO-99-254, a case that dealt with the termination of the Primary Toll

 Carrier (PTC) plan which had been in existence for nearly ten (10) years and the

 implementation of intraLATA dialing parity.

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- 11 Q. What was the nature of the issue in that case?
- 12 A. As part of the termination of the PTC plan, it was proposed that the small 13 Missouri companies begin billing for terminating traffic using actual records of 14 terminating calls, rather than continuing to use a ratio of terminating calls to 15 originating calls that had been in use during the PTC plan. One question that 16 arose in this regard was whether SWBT should be required to provide industry 17 standard Category 11-01 records, or whether they could provide records in a nonindustry standard format which the Primary Toll Carriers had been using among 18 19 themselves.

- 21 Q. What was the Commission's decision in regard to this issue?
- 22 A. In its June 10, 1999 order in Case No. TO-99-254, the Commission found that,

¹ In the Matter of Southwestern Bell Telephone Company's Tariff Filing to Revise its Wireless Carrier Interconnection Service Tariff, P.S.C. Mo. – No. 40., 7 Mo. P.S.C. 3d 38, 53 (December 23, 1997).

the Commission will order the provision of standard "Category 11" records. This will provide the SCs [secondary carriers] better information about calls terminated to them. This will provide the SCs better information about calls terminated to them. Any additional expense this will cause the PTCs is dwarfed by the elimination of the revenue losses they assert they are suffering under the PTC plan.²

In this case the Commission clearly established a requirement that Category 11-01 records be provided to the small Missouri ILECs for intraLATA toll traffic after April 1, 2000. As can be seen from the order, the Commission declined to give SWBT any compensation for the costs of establishing these records because they were anticipated to receive a substantial revenue increase and/or expense reduction as a result of terminating the PTC plan.

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- Q. Could you briefly explain what a "Category 11-01" record is?
 - Yes. For many years members of the telecommunications industry have worked together in national industry groups to establish standards for the development of various types of billing records to be exchanged between industry members to facilitate customer and carrier billing. Currently those standards are contained in a publication by the Ordering and Billing Forum (OBF) of the Alliance for Telecommunications Industry Solutions (ATIS). Specifically these record formats are contained in the Electronic Message Interface (EMI) document, which contains nearly 1500 pages of detailed information regarding the structure of various types of records and the individual fields within each of those records. The Category 11-01 record is the standard record that is exchanged between

² In the Matter of an Investigation Concerning the Primary Toll Carrier Plan and IntraLATA Dialing Parity, 8 Mo. P.S.C. 176, 183 (June 10, 1999).

telecommunications providers to provide information for billing of exchange access. As changes take place in the industry, these record descriptions are revised to meet updated requirements for billing information that is to be exchanged.

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- Q. Can you provide a copy of the description of the Category 11-01 record from this
 documentation?
- 8 A. Yes. Attached as HC Schedule RCS-2 is a copy of the relevant pages from the
 9 EMI documentation (3-296 and 3-297) showing the record layout for the
 10 Category 11-01-01 record.

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Q. Was the issue of appropriate records dealt with in a further proceeding before the Commission?

14 A. Shortly after the conclusion of Case No. TO-99-254, the Commission 15 established a new docket to further review network protocols and the business 16 relationships relative to local exchange carriers and the former Primary Toll 17 Carriers in relationship to the LEC to LEC network. This was Case No. TO-99-18 593. The Commission's order in this case was issued on December 13, 2001. 19 The Commission declined to alter/change existing business arrangements as 20 advocated by the small Missouri LECs and instead required the local exchange 21 carriers to implement changes in record formats and procedures contained in the 22 OBF's Issue No. 2056. The Commission further required the MPSC Staff to provide a report to the Commission after these procedures had been implemented 23

1 to see if they resolved the issues that were of concern in that case. The Staff's 2 report was presented to the Commission on May 7, 2002, and concluded that the 3 implementation of OBF Issue No. 2056 did not resolve the issues that needed to be addressed. As a result, the Staff and the industry held a series of workshops 4 and discussions that eventually led to the Enhanced Record Rule (ERE) which 5 6 was adopted by the Commission in Case No.TX-2003-0301. 7 8 PROVISIONS OF THE COMMISSION'S RULE 9 10 Q. What is the specific provision of the Missouri Rule that is at issue in this docket? 11 It is 4 CSR 240.040(4). The rule states (in relevant part): Α. 12 When transiting traffic for any carrier other than an incumbent 13 local exchange local exchange carrier, originating tandem carriers shall, for each compensable call, create and make the following 14 available upon request by a terminating carrier, at no charge to the 15 16 terminating carrier: 17 (A) A category 11-01-XX record or, if no Carrier Identification 18 Code is available, a Missouri-specific category 11-01-XX record. 19 20 21 What type of record does this require a transiting carrier, such as AT&T Missouri, 22 Q. 23 to provide? 24 A. It requires them to provide a Category 11-01-XX record. 25 What is the meaning of the "XX" in the rule? 26 Q.

In the EMI documentation there are a number of different types of Category 11-

01 records to accommodate special situations such as outwats and 800 calls,

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directory assistance calls, conference calls, etc. Each of these types of calls has a separate "XX" record description that identifies specific fields that are relevant to those special types of calls. For a discussion of the terminating wireless calls which are in question, we can focus on the Category 11-01-01 record.

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- 6 Q. Does the Category 11-01-01 record type require the provision of the originating caller's number?
- 8 A. Yes. As can be seen on HC Schedule RCS-2, the "From Number" field in positions 15-24 of the record contains the ten digits (NPA, NXX, and line number) of the party that originates the call.

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- 12 Q. Does the EMI documentation provide a definition of the "From Number"?
- 13 A. Yes. Attached as HC Schedule RCS-3 is a copy of page 4-46 of the EMI
 14 documentation which contains the definition of the "From Number." For
 15 numbers within the North American Number Plan, it is the number from which
 16 the call originates.

- Q. Included in the seventh paragraph of this definition is a discussion of "Indicator
 9." Can you discuss the relevance of this indicator to wireless traffic?
- A. Yes. As indicated in the sixth paragraph under "Special Considerations" in the description of the Category 11-01-01 record, (HC Schedule RCS-2) when this record is used for cellular/wireless traffic, Indicator 9 or 10 should be populated in the record.

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- 2 Q. How does the EMI documentation describe the use of Indicators 9 and 10?
- 3 A. Attached as HC Schedule RCS-4 is the description of these indicators from page
- 4 4-62 of the EMI documentation. Indicator 9 is used for wireless originated traffic,
- 5 Indicator 10 is used for traffic terminating to a wireless carrier. Of particular
- 6 relevance is the fact that cellular traffic is identified by using the value "8" for
- 7 Indicator 9. If I return to the definition of the "From Number" in HC Schedule
- 8 RCS-3, the seventh paragraph indicates that if Indicator 9 has a value between 1
- 9 and 7, the "From Number" would include a Base Station Number of only six
- 10 characters. However, if Indicator 9 has a value of 8, this circumstance would not
- apply and the full "From Number" should be provided in the record.
- 13 Q. What is your conclusion then as to whether the EMI documentation requires the
- originating caller's number (the "From Number") to be included in Category 11-
- 15 01-01 records?
- 16 A. It is clear to me from the documentation that the number to be included as the
- From Number of the Category 11-01-01 record is the number of the caller
- originating the call. There is no discussion in the EMI documentation of using in
- this field a substitute number identifying the wireless carrier rather than the
- 20 originating caller.

Q. How is the originating company identified in the Category 11-01-01 record?

- 1 A. The normal means of identification is by populating the Carrier Identification 2 Code (CIC) field in positions 46-49 of the record. However, as described in the 3 fourth paragraph of the Special Considerations for the Category 11-01-01 record, 4 for calls terminating to local exchange carriers, the originating Operating Code 5 Number (OCN) field in positions 167-170 should be populated. 6 7 Q. Does the Rule adopted by the Commission re-emphasize that the originating 8 telephone number shall be the telephone number of the originating caller? 9 Yes. In 4 CSR 29.040(6), the Commission's rule states: A. 10 The originating telephone number shall be the telephone number of the end user responsible for originating the telephone call. Under 11 no circumstances in section (1), (2), (3), (4) and (5) above shall 12 any carrier substitute an originating telephone number other than 13 the telephone number of the end user responsible for originating 14 the telephone call. 15 16 17 This section of the Rule clearly indicates that for each specific subparagraph of 18 this rule that the originating telephone number shall be the telephone number of 19 the user placing the call. This specifically applies to 4 CSR 29.040(4) which 20 requires the provision of the Category 11-01-XX records. It seems very clear that 21 the Commission's rule specifically requires the originating end user's telephone 22 number to be used in these records as the From Number. 23
- 24 Q. Does this conclude your testimony?
- 25 A. Yes.

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7	2.	Cass County Telephone Company	
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10	5.	Ellington Telephone Company	
11	6.	Farber Telephone Company	
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11	2.	Chariton Valley Telephone Corporation	
12	3.	Choctaw Telephone Company	
13	4.	Mid-Missouri Telephone Company (O'Telco)	
14	5.	Mo-Kan Dial Inc	
15	6.	Northeast Missouri Rural Telephone Company	
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