

MEMORANDUM

To: Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File
Case No. **TO-2006-0324**
Party: New London Telephone Company, Orchard Farm Telephone Company, and Stoutland Telephone Company
Type of Certification:
☐ None
☒ Basic Local
☐ Local (restricted to private line)
☐ Local (no restrictions)
☐ Interexchange

Party: T-Mobile USA
☒ None
☐ Basic Local
☐ Local (restricted to private line)
☐ Local (no restrictions)
☐ Interexchange

From: Sara Buyak, Telecommunications Department

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Subject: Staff Recommendation for Approval of Interconnection Agreement

Date: March 3, 2006

Date Filed: February 7, 2006

Staff Deadline: March 13, 2006

The Telecommunications Department Staff (Staff) recommends the Parties be granted approval of the submitted (may check more than one):

- ☐ Resale Agreement
- ☐ Facilities-based Interconnection Agreement
- ☒ Wireless Interconnection Agreement

The parties submitted the proposed Agreement 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 for approval.

- ☐ Staff does not have a serially numbered copy of the Agreement and recommends the Commission direct the Parties to submit a serially numbered copy of the Agreement.
- ☒ Staff has a serially numbered copy of the Agreement.

Interconnection Agreement Review Items

☒ No applications to intervene filed.

☒ Agreement signed by both Parties.

☒ 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:)

Is there an attachment to this recommendation indicating any recommendations or special considerations: ☒ Yes ☐ No

The Parties have submitted this negotiated Agreement pursuant to Section 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, and characterized the Agreement as a “Wireless Traffic Exchange Agreement.” Staff can find no reference in Section 252 to “Wireless Traffic Exchange Agreement.” Consequently, Staff recommends the Commission issue an Order approving a wireless “interconnection agreement” and not an Order approving “Wireless Traffic Exchange Agreement.”