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

NuVox Communications of Missouri, Inc.,	)
Complainant,	)
v. Southwestern Bell Communications Company d/b/a AT&T Missouri,	) Case No. CC-2009-0435 )
Respondents.	) )

## NOTICE OF COMPLAINT AND ORDER DIRECTING ANSWER AND STAFF INVESTIGATION

Issue Date: June 9, 2009 Effective Date: June 9, 2009

AT&T Missouri Legal Department One AT&T Center, Suite 3520 St. Louis, Missouri 63101

## **CERTIFIED MAIL**

On June 5, 2009,<sup>1</sup> NuVox Communications of Missouri, Inc. ("NuVox") filed a complaint with the Commission against Southwestern Bell Communications Company d/b/a AT&T Missouri ("AT&T Missouri"). A copy of the complaint is enclosed. Under Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.070, AT&T Missouri has 30 days from the date of this notice to file an answer or to file notification that the complaint has been satisfied. Since this notice is being issued on June 9, AT&T Missouri's response is due by July 9.

In the alternative, the Respondents may file a written request that the complaint be referred to a neutral third-party mediator for voluntary mediation of the complaint. Upon receipt of a request for mediation, the 30-day time period shall be tolled while the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> All dates throughout this order refer to the year 2008 unless otherwise noted.

Commission ascertains whether the Complainant is also willing to submit to voluntary mediation. If the Complainant agrees to mediation, the time period within which an answer is due shall be suspended pending the resolution of the mediation process. Additional information regarding the mediation process is enclosed.

If the Complainant declines the opportunity to seek mediation, the Respondent will be notified in writing that the tolling has ceased and will also be notified of the date by which an answer or notice of satisfaction must be filed. That period will usually be the remainder of the original 30-day period.

All pleadings (the answer, the notice of satisfaction of complaint or request for mediation) shall be mailed to:

Secretary of the Public Service Commission P.O. Box 360 Jefferson City, Missouri 65102-0360

A copy shall be served upon the Complainant at the Complainant's address as listed within the enclosed complaint. A copy of this notice shall be mailed to the Complainant.

Pursuant to Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.070(10), the Commission will direct its Staff to investigate the facts in this case and the contested issues set out in the pleadings. Staff also has the discretion to report findings as to any other contested issues in this case that may appear during its investigation. The Staff must then file its findings with the Commission and serve copies on the other parties. The Commission will also allow the parties to file responsive pleadings to that report.

## THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

 The Commission's Data Center shall mail a copy of this Notice and Order to the Complainant.

- 2. Southwestern Bell Communications Company d/b/a AT&T Missouri shall, no later than July 9, 2009, file a response to this complaint.
- 3. The Staff of the Commission shall file, no later than July 20, 2009, a report of its investigation in this matter.
  - 4. This order shall become effective immediately upon issuance.

BY THE COMMISSION

Colleen M. Dale Secretary

(SEAL)

Harold Stearley, Senior Regulatory Law Judge by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 9th day of June, 2009.