## **BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

## **OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of the Application of Nexus Communications, Inc., d/b/a TSI, for Designation as a Telecommunications Carrier Eligible for Federal Universal Service Support Pursuant to Section 254 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996

Case No. CA-2006-0282

## **ORDER GRANTING INTERVENTION**

Issue Date: February 9, 2006

Effective Date: February 9, 2006

On December 30, 2005, Nexus Communications, Inc., d/b/a TSI, filed its application with the Missouri Public Service Commission for designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier (ETC) for purposes of federal Universal Service Fund support. On January 12, 2006, the Commission ordered that any party wishing to intervene must file an application by February 1, 2006.

On January 13, 2006, Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P., d/b/a AT&T Missouri, filed its application to intervene. AT&T Missouri provides basic local exchange telecommunications services under a certificate of service authority issued by the Commission. AT&T Missouri states that it provides telecommunications services in 147 exchanges in which TSI seeks ETC designation. In addition, AT&T Missouri indicated that approval of TSI's application could affect the amount of Interstate Access Support available to AT&T Missouri.

AT&T Missouri stated that no other party would adequately represent its interest in this matter. AT&T Missouri also stated that its interest is different from the

interest of the general public. AT&T Missouri stated that it would be in the public interest to grant its intervention because its expertise and experience as a telecommunications provider would aid the Commission in making its determination.

The Commission finds that AT&T Missouri's application to intervene substantially complies with Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.075. The Commission finds that the proposed intervenor has an interest in this matter that is different from that of the general public and, further, granting the proposed intervention would serve the public interest. The application for intervention filed by AT&T Missouri as set forth above shall be granted.

## IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. The Application to Intervene of Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P., d/b/a AT&T Missouri, is granted.

2. This order shall become effective on February 9, 2006.



Colleen M. Dale Secretary

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Nancy Dippell, Deputy Chief Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 9th day of February, 2006.