# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application Approval of an	)	
Interconnection Agreement between Consolidated	)	
Communications of Missouri Company d/b/a	)	File No. IK-2024-0039
Consolidated Communications (Missouri Company)	)	
and DISH Wireless, L.L.C.	)	

#### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

**COMES NOW** the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and submits its *Recommendation* as follows:

- 1. On August 18, 2023, pursuant to 20 CSR 4240-28.013(2)(B), Consolidated Communications of Missouri Company d/b/a Consolidated Communications (Missouri Company) filed with the Public Service Commission its *Application for Approval of an Interconnection Agreement* between itself and DISH Wireless, L.L.C. (DISH) under the provisions of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996.
- 2. 47 USC 252(e)(2) (1996) provides that a state commission may reject an interconnection agreement adopted by negotiation only if the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to it or its implementation is not consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity.
- 3. In lieu of a Memorandum, Staff hereby states that the Interconnection Agreement does not discriminate against telecommunications carriers not parties to it, nor is its implementation inconsistent with the public interest, convenience or necessity. A copy of the Agreement was filed with the Application. Consolidated Communications of Missouri Company d/b/a Consolidated Communications (Missouri Company) is certified with the Commission as an incumbent local exchange. DISH Wireless, L.L.C. (DISH) is a Wireless/Cellular company.

WHEREFORE, Staff recommends the Commission approve the Application and grant such other and further relief as the Commission finds appropriate under the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served by electronic mail, or First Class United States Postal Mail, postage prepaid, on this 12<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2023, to all counsel of record.

### /s Ron Irving