

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

In the Matter of the Application for Approval of an)
Interconnection Agreement between Brightspeed of)
Missouri, LLC; Brightspeed of East Missouri, LLC;)
Brightspeed of West Missouri, LLC, and Brightspeed) **File No. IK-2024-0143**
Broadband, LLC Pursuant to the Telecommunications)
Act of 1996)

**ORDER DIRECTING NOTICE, SETTING
INTERVENTION DEADLINE, AND ADDING A PARTY**

Issue Date: November 7, 2023

Effective Date: November 7, 2023

This order provides notice of this application to interested parties, establishes a deadline for intervention and for requesting a hearing, and joins the other party to the Interconnection Agreement, Brightspeed Broadband, LLC, as a party to this proceeding.

On October 27, 2023, Brightspeed of Missouri, LLC, Brightspeed of East Missouri, LLC, and Brightspeed of West Missouri, LLC (collectively “Brightspeed”) filed an application with the Commission for approval of a negotiated Interconnection Agreement (Agreement) with Brightspeed Broadband, LLC under the provisions of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the Act). Brightspeed stated that there are no unresolved issues and that the Agreement complies with Section 252(e) of the Act in that it is consistent with the public interest, convenient and necessary, and is not discriminatory to nonparty carriers.

Although Brightspeed Broadband, LLC is a party to the Agreement, it did not join in the application. Because Brightspeed Broadband, LLC is a necessary party to a full

and fair adjudication of this matter, the Commission will add Brightspeed Broadband, LLC as a party to this case.

The Act provides that the Agreement must be approved unless the state commission finds that the Agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the Agreement, or that implementation of the Agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity.¹ Section 252(e)(4) of the Act provides that if the Commission has not acted to approve or reject an Agreement within 90 days after submission, the Agreement shall be deemed approved. That date is January 25, 2024.

The Commission finds that proper persons shall be allowed 15 days from the issuance of this order to file a motion for hearing. The Commission also finds that notice of this application shall be sent to all interexchange and local exchange telecommunications companies. The Staff of the Commission (Staff) will be directed to provide recommendation.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Commission's Data Center shall send a copy of this order to all interexchange and local exchange telecommunications companies.
2. Brightspeed Broadband, LLC is made a party to this case.
3. Any party wishing to intervene or request a hearing shall do so by filing a pleading no later than November 22, 2023.

¹ 47 U.S.C. § 252(e).

4. Staff shall file a recommendation advising either approval or rejection of this Agreement and giving the reasons therefor, or a status report regarding when Staff anticipates filing its recommendation, no later than December 7, 2023.

5. This order shall be effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nancy Dippell". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Nancy Dippell
Secretary

Nancy Dippell, Chief Regulatory
Law Judge, by delegation of authority
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

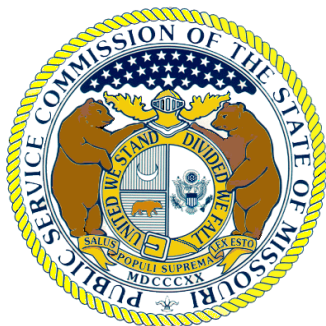
Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 7th day of November, 2023.

STATE OF MISSOURI

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 7th day of November 2023.



Nancy Dippell

Nancy Dippell
Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

November 7, 2023

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Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).

Sincerely,



**Nancy Dippell
Secretary**

Distributed to all Interexchange and Local Exchange Telecommunications Companies.

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