BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

| In the Matter of the Amendment to Interconnection |) | |
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| Agreement between Southwestern Bell Telephone |) | |
| Company, LLC d/b/a AT&T Missouri and US Signal |) | File No. IK-2025-0159 |
| Company, L.L.C., adopting previously approved |) | |
| amendments |) | |

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

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

- 1. On November 19, 2024, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, LLC d/b/a AT&T Missouri ("AT&T Missouri" or "Company") filed with the Missouri Public Service Commission *AT&T Missouri's Application for Approval of an Amendment to an Interconnection Agreement* between itself and US Signal Company, L.L.C. The Company has also requested a waiver of the 60-day notice requirement of 20 CSR 4240-4.017(1)(D).
- 2. Under 47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(2) (1996),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. AT&T Missouri is certified with the Commission as an incumbent local exchange carrier and a registered Interconnected

Voice over Internet Protocol provider. US Signal Company, L.L.C. is an interexchange and a competitive local exchange carrier.

WHEREFORE, Staff recommends the Commission approve the Application, waive the 60-day notice requirement of 20 CSR 4240-4.017(1)(D) 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 9^{th} day of January, 2025, to all counsel of record.

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