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February 14, 2017

Ms. Amy Green Secretary to the Commission Kansas Corporation Commission 1500 SW Arrowhead Road Topeka, Kansas 66604-4027

Re: Docket No. 15-SWBT-420-IAT – In the Matter of the Application of Southwestern Bell Telephone Company for Approval of Interconnection Agreement Under the Telecommunications Act of 1996 with New Horizons Communications Corp.

Ms. Green:

Attached via electronic filing with the Commission is the Application for Approval of a Modification to the Interconnection Agreement ("the Agreement") previously approved between Southwestern Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Kansas and New Horizons Communications Corp. ("CLEC") on April 14, 2015 in the above-captioned docket. Also enclosed is the supporting Affidavit of Richard T. Howell, Area Manager-Regulatory Relations.

This modification implements the FCC's Lifeline and Link Up Reform and Modernization, and USTelecom Forbearance Orders; modifies certain provisions related to Termination of Agreement After Initial Term Expiration; modifies certain provisions related to Customer Information Services; replaces the Notices contact information section; and expands the current Agreement to the State of Tennessee. The Agreement, with this modification and the attachments incorporated therein, is an integrated package and is the result of negotiation and compromise. There are no outstanding issues between the parties that need the assistance of mediation or arbitration. CLEC is registered as active and in good standing with the Kansas Secretary of State's office.

AT&T Kansas files this modification to the Agreement seeking Commission approval of its terms and conditions consistent with the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996. AT&T Kansas represents and believes in good faith that the implementation of this modification to the Agreement is consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity and does not discriminate against any telecommunications carrier. AT&T Kansas specifically requests that the Commission refrain from taking any action to change, suspend or otherwise delay implementation of this modification to the agreement, in keeping with the support for competition previously demonstrated by the Commission.

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The Commission's prompt attention to this matter would be appreciated.

Sincerely,

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Attachments

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DEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

In the Matter of the Application of)
Southwestern Bell Telephone Company)
for Approval of Interconnection) Docket No. 15-SWBT-420-IAT
Agreement Under the)
Telecommunications Act of 1996 with)
New Horizons Communications Corp.)

APPLICATION OF SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF A MODIFICATION TO INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT

Southwestern Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Kansas hereby files this Application for Approval of a Modification to the Interconnection Agreement ("the Agreement)" under the Telecommunications Act of 1996 ("Federal Act") between AT&T Kansas and New Horizons Communications Corp. and would respectfully show the Kansas Corporation Commission ("Commission") the following:

I. INTRODUCTION

1. AT&T Kansas presents to this Commission a modification to the Agreement previously negotiated, executed and filed with the Commission on March 17, 2015 pursuant to the terms of the Federal Act. The Commission issued an order approving the Agreement on April 14, 2015. This modification implements the FCC's Lifeline and Link Up Reform and Modernization, and USTelecom Forbearance Orders; modifies certain provisions related to Termination of Agreement After Initial Term Expiration; modifies certain provisions related to Customer Information Services; replaces the Notices contact information section; and expands the current Agreement to the State of Tennessee. A copy of the executed Amendment which reflects the parties' agreement to incorporate this modification to the Agreement is attached hereto as Attachment I.

II. REQUEST FOR APPROVAL

- 2. AT&T Kansas seeks the Commission's approval of this modification to the Agreement, consistent with the provisions of the Federal Act. The implementation of this modification to the Agreement complies fully with Section 252(e) of the Federal Act because the modifications are consistent with the Commission's previous conclusion that the Agreement is consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity and does not discriminate against any telecommunications carrier.
- 3. AT&T Kansas respectfully requests that the Commission grant expeditious approval of this modification to the Agreement, without change, suspension or other delay in its implementation. The Agreement, with this modification, is a bilateral agreement, reached as a result of negotiations and compromise between competitors, and the parties do not believe a docket or intervention by other parties is necessary or appropriate.

III. STANDARD FOR REVIEW

4. The statutory standards of review are set forth in Section 252(e) of the Federal Act which provides as follows:

Section 252(e) of the Federal Act:

- (e) APPROVAL BY STATE COMMISSION
 - (1) APPROVAL REQUIRED. -- Any interconnection agreement adopted by negotiation or arbitration shall be submitted for approval to the State commission. A State commission to which an agreement is submitted shall approve or reject the agreement, with written findings as to any deficiencies.
 - (2) GROUNDS FOR REJECTION. -- The State Commission may only reject --

- (A) an agreement (or any portion thereof) adopted by negotiation under subsection (a) if it finds that --
 - the agreement (or portion thereof) discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement; or
 - (ii) the implementation of such agreement or portion is not consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity...
- 5. The affidavit of Richard T. Howell, Area Manager-Regulatory Relations, establishes that the modification to the Agreement submitted herein satisfies the standards for approval under the Federal Act. (Affidavit, Attachment II).

IV. KANSAS LAW

6. The negotiated and executed modification to the Agreement is consistent with the Kansas regulatory statutes.

V. CONCLUSION

7. For the reasons set forth above, AT&T Kansas respectfully requests that the Commission approve this modification to the Agreement previously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT to INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT UNDER SECTIONS 251 AND 252 OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996

by and between

SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY d/b/a

AT&T KANSAS

and

NEW HORIZONS COMMUNICATIONS CORP.

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AMENDMENT

BETWEEN

BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, LLC d/b/a AT&T TENNESSEE, SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY d/b/a AT&T KANSAS AND AT&T OKLAHOMA

AND

NEW HORIZONS COMMUNICATIONS CORP.



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Title: VP Marketing & BusinessDevelopment Title: DIR-INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENTS

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Date: <u>27 Dec 2016</u> Date: <u>03 Jan 2017</u>

New Horizons Communications Corp.

BellSouth Telecommunications, LLC d/b/a AT&T
TENNESSEE, Southwestern Bell Telephone
Company d/b/a AT&T KANSAS and AT&T

OKLAHOMA by AT&T Services, Inc., its authorized

agent

State	Resale OCN	ULEC OCN		
KANSAS	679C	553H		
OKLAHOMA	679C	715H		

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AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN NEW HORIZONS COMMUNICATIONS CORP. AND

BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, LLC d/b/a AT&T TENNESSEE, SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY d/b/a AT&T KANSAS AND AT&T OKLAHOMA

This amendment ("Amendment") amends the Interconnection Agreement by and between BellSouth Telecommunications, LLC d/b/a AT&T TENNESSEE, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T KANSAS and AT&T OKLAHOMA ("AT&T") and New Horizons Communications Corp. ("CLEC"). AT&T and CLEC are hereinafter referred to collectively as the "Parties" and individually as a "Party."

WHEREAS, AT&T and CLEC are Parties to an Interconnection Agreement under Sections 251 and 252 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (the "Act"), dated March 9, 2015 and as subsequently amended ("Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, the Parties desire to amend the Agreement add the State of Tennessee, in addition to adding Pricing Sheet(s) and State specific Appendices, as applicable

WHEREAS, the Parties desire to amend the Agreement to implement the *Lifeline and Link Up Reform and Modernization et al.*, WC Docket No. 11-42 et al., Second Report and Order, FCC 15-71, Released June 22, 2015 ("FCC Lifeline Order"); and

WHEREAS, the Parties desire to amend the Agreement to implement the *Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to* 47 U.S.C. § 160(c) from Enforcement of Obsolete ILEC Legacy Regulations That Inhibit Deployment of Next-Generation Networks, WC Docket No. 14-192, Released December 28, 2015 ("FCC US Telecom Forbearance Order"), and

WHEREAS, the Parties desire to modify certain provisions related to Termination of Agreement After Initial Term Expiration and to modify certain provisions related to Customer Information Services.

NOW, **THEREFORE**, in consideration of the promises and mutual agreements set forth herein, the Parties agree to amend the Agreement as follows:

- The Amendment is composed of the foregoing recitals, the terms and conditions, contained within, Exhibit A Listing of Agreements, Exhibit B Operator Services and Directory Assistance (f/k/a Customer Information Services), Exhibit C Pricing Sheet for Operator Services and Directory Assistance and Exhibit D Pricing Sheet for Tennessee, all of which are hereby incorporated within this Amendment by this reference and constitute a part of this Amendment.
- 2. The Parties agree to add the State of Tennessee to the Agreement, in addition to adding Pricing Sheets and State specific Appendices, as applicable.

3. Lifeline and Link Up Services

3.1. Delete the rates, terms and conditions related to Lifeline and Link Up service offerings from the Agreement. Lifeline and Link Up service will no longer be available under the Agreement beginning one hundred and eighty (180) days after Federal Register publication of the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) approval.

4. Forbearance

4.1. Delete the rates, terms and conditions related to the unbundling of a 64 kbps voice-grade channel to provide narrowband services over fiber where an incumbent LEC retires a copper loop it has overbuilt with a fiber-to-the-home or fiber-to-the-curb loop.

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5. Termination of Agreement After Initial Term Expiration

- 5.1. Sections 8.4.3 and 8.4.5 of the General Terms and Conditions of the Agreement is hereby amended and restated as follows:
 - 8.4.3 If at any time within one hundred and eighty (180) days or any time thereafter of the expiration of the Term, if either Party serves "Notice of Expiration" or Notice of Termination (if served after Expiration), CLEC shall have ten (10) calendar days to provide AT&T-21STATE written confirmation to the Notice of Expiration indicating if CLEC wishes to pursue a successor agreement with AT&T-21STATE or terminate its Agreement. CLEC shall identify the action to be taken in each of the applicable state(s). If CLEC wishes to pursue a successor agreement with AT&T-21STATE, CLEC shall attach to its written confirmation or Notice of Expiration, a written request to commence negotiations with AT&T-21STATE under Sections 251/252 of the Act and identify each of the state(s) to which the successor agreement will apply. Upon receipt of CLEC's Section 252(a)(1) request, the Parties shall commence good faith negotiations for a successor agreement.
 - 8.4.5 Either on or following the expiration date of this Agreement, if the Parties have not entered into a new agreement or are not in Active Negotiations as described in Section 8.4.4 above, the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect on a month to month basis unless both Parties mutually agree to terminate, or either Party provides "Notice of Termination" as provided for in Section 8.4.

6. Customer Information Services (CIS)

- 6.1. With the exception of 5.3 herein, delete all rates, terms and conditions pertaining to Customer Information Services, including but not limited to services related to Operator Services (OS), Directory Assistance (DA), Directory Assistance Listings (DAL), Inward Assistance Operator Services (INW) and White Pages (e.g., Busy Line Verification (BLV), Busy Line Verification/Interrupt (BLV/I), etc.) from the Agreement.
- 6.2. Add Attachment Operator Services and Directory Assistance (OS/DA), attached hereto as Exhibit B; and the Operator Services and Directory Assistance (OS/DA) rates reflected in the Pricing Sheet, attached hereto as Exhibit C, to the Agreement.

6.3. Add the following provisions to the Attachment or Appendix for Resale

- CIS.1 For Resale service, AT&T will provide Customer Information Services to CLEC's End Users where technically feasible and/or available to AT&T retail End Users. Dialing, response, and sound quality will be provided in parity to AT&T retail End Users.
- CIS.2 CLEC is solely responsible for the payment of all charges for all services furnished under this Attachment, including but not limited to calls originated or accepted at CLEC's location and its End Users' service locations.
- CIS.3 Interexchange carrier traffic (e.g., sent-paid, information services and alternate operator services messages) received by AT&T for billing to Resale End User accounts will be returned as unbillable and will not be passed to CLEC for billing. An unbillable code will be returned with those messages to the carrier indicating that the messages were generated by a Resale account and will not be billed by AT&T.
- CIS.4 AT&T shall not be responsible for the manner in which utilization of Resale Services or the associated charges are allocated to End Users or others by CLEC. Applicable rates and charges for services provided to CLEC under this Attachment will be billed directly to CLEC and shall be the responsibility of CLEC.
- CIS.5 Charges billed to CLEC for all services provided under this Attachment shall be paid by CLEC regardless of CLEC's ability or inability to collect from its End Users for such services.
- CIS.6 If CLEC does not wish to be responsible for payment of charges for calling card, collect, or third number billed calls (Alternately Billed Traffic or "ABT") or toll and information services (for example, 900 calls), CLEC must order the appropriate available blocking for lines provided under this

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Attachment and pay any applicable charges. It is the responsibility of CLEC to order the appropriate toll restriction or blocking on lines resold to End Users. CLEC acknowledges that blocking is not available for certain types of calls, including without limitation 800, 888, 411 and Directory Assistance Express Call Completion. Depending on the origination point, for example, calls originating from correctional facilities, some calls may bypass blocking systems. CLEC acknowledges all such limitations and accepts all responsibility for any charges associated with calls for which blocking is not available and any charges associated with calls that bypass blocking systems.

7. The Parties agree to replace the Notices contact information in Section 21.0 from the Agreement with the following:

NOTICE CONTACT	CLEC CONTACT
NAME/TITLE	Glen E. Nelson VP Marketing & Business Development
STREET ADDRESS	420 Bedford Street, Suite 250
CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE	Lexington, MA 02420
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	AT&T CONTACT
NAME/TITLE	Contract Management
	ATTN: Notices Manager
FACSIMILE NUMBER	(214) 712-5792
EMAIL ADDRESS	The current email address as provided on AT&T's CLEC Online website

^{*}Informational only and not to be considered as an official notice vehicle under this Section.

- 8. There shall be no retroactive application of any provision of this Amendment prior to the Effective Date of an adopting CLEC's agreement.
- 9. This Amendment shall be deemed to revise the terms and provisions of the Agreement only to the extent necessary to give effect to the terms and provisions of this Amendment. In the event of a conflict between the terms and provisions of this Amendment and the terms and provisions of the Agreement (including all incorporated or accompanying Appendices, Addenda, and Exhibits to the Agreement), this Amendment shall govern, provided, however, that the fact that a term or provision appears in this Amendment but not in the Agreement, or in the Agreement but not in this Amendment, shall not be interpreted as, or deemed grounds for finding, a conflict for purposes of this Amendment.
- 10. In entering into this Amendment, neither Party waives, and each Party expressly reserves, any rights, remedies or arguments it may have at law or under the intervening law or regulatory change provisions in the underlying Agreement (including intervening law rights asserted by either Party via written notice predating this Amendment) with respect to any orders, decisions, legislation or proceedings and any remands thereof, which the Parties have not yet fully incorporated into this Agreement or which may be the subject of further review.
- 11. This Amendment shall not modify or extend the Effective Date or Term of the underlying Agreement, but rather, shall be coterminous with such Agreement.
- 12. EXCEPT AS MODIFIED HEREIN, ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE UNDERLYING AGREEMENT SHALL REMAIN UNCHANGED AND IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.
- 13. Signatures by all Parties to this Amendment are required to effectuate this Amendment. This Amendment may be executed in counterparts. Each counterpart shall be considered an original and such counterparts shall together constitute one and the same instrument.

Amendment – Add TN to Existing KS OK ICA, Lifeline/LinkUp, Forbearance, CIS and Update Notices/AT&T-21STATE

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For Kansas, Oklahoma and Tennessee: This Amendment shall be filed with and is subject to approval by the 14. applicable state Commission and shall become effective ten (10) days following approval by such Commission.

Exhibit A – Listing of Agreements - Amendment – Add TN to Existing KS OK ICA, Lifeline/LinkUp, Forbearance, CIS and Update Notices/AT&T-21STATE
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Exhibit A - Listing of Agreements

AT&T ILEC ("AT&T")	CARRIER Legal Name	Contract Type	Approval Date
Southwestern Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Kansas	New Horizons Communications Corp.	Interconnection Agreement	4/14/2015
Southwestern Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Oklahoma	New Horizons Communications Corp.	Interconnection Agreement	4/9/2015
BellSouth Telecommunications, LLC d/b/a AT&T Tennessee	New Horizons Communications Corp.	Interconnection Agreement	

Exhibit B - Attachment – OS/DA/AT&T-21STATE Page 1 of 9 New Horizons Communications Corp. Version: 3Q16 - CLEC ICA – 9/19/16

EXHIBIT B - ATTACHMENT – OPERATOR SERVICES AND DIRECTORY ASSISTANCE (f/k/a CUSTOMER INFORMATION SERVICES)

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

1.1 This Attachment sets forth the rates, terms and conditions under which AT&T-21STATE shall provide Operator Services/Directory Assistance (OS/DA) and Listings.

1.2 OS/DA:

- 1.2.1 This Attachment sets forth the rates, terms and conditions under which the Parties shall jointly carry out OS/DA on a wholesale basis for CLEC End Users residing in AT&T-21STATE's local Exchange territory, regardless of whether CLEC is serving its End Users via:
 - 1.2.1.1 CLEC's own physical Switches; or
 - 1.2.1.2 Resale of AT&T-21STATE Retail OS/DA service.
- 1.2.2 CLEC shall be the retail OS/DA provider to its End Users, and AT&T-21STATE shall be the wholesale provider of OS/DA operations to CLEC. AT&T-21STATE shall answer CLEC's End User OS/DA calls on CLEC's behalf, as follows:
 - 1.2.2.1 When the End User dials 0- or 0+ the telephone number, AT&T-21STATE shall provide the Operator Services described in Section 3.4 below. CLEC may set its own retail OS/DA rates, and CLEC therefore acknowledges its responsibility to obtain (a) End User agreement to the OS/DA retail rates (e.g., by tariff or contract), and (b) any necessary regulatory approvals for its OS/DA retail rates.
 - 1.2.2.2 In response to CLEC End User inquiries about OS/DA rates, where available and technically feasible, AT&T-21STATE operators shall quote CLEC retail OS/DA rates, provided by CLEC (see Section 3.6 below). If further inquiries are made about rates, billing and/or other "business office" questions, AT&T-21STATE's OS/DA operators shall direct the calling party's inquiries to a CLEC-provided contact number (also see Section 3.6 below).
- 1.2.3 CLEC shall pay the applicable OS/DA rates found in the Pricing Sheet based upon CLEC's status as a Facilities-Based CLEC or a reseller. Provided however, CLEC may serve both as a reseller and as a facilities-based provider and CLEC may convert its facilities-based End Users to Resale service, or vice versa, as described below in Section 3.6.7 below.
 - 1.2.3.1 CLEC acknowledges and understands that wholesale OS/DA rates differ between Resale and facilities-based service, and that both types of OS/DA wholesale rates are listed in the Pricing Sheet.
 - 1.2.3.2 Billing and payment details, including the assessment of late payment charges for unpaid balances, are governed by the General Terms and Conditions in this Agreement.

1.3 Listings:

1.3.1 This Attachment sets forth terms and conditions that apply to Resale and Facility-Based CLECs for subscriber listing information provided by AT&T-21STATE.

2.0 DEFINITIONS

- 2.1 "Consolidated Reference Rater (CRR)" provides reference information (business office and repair numbers) and rate quotes for CLEC End Users.
- 2.2 "Facilities-Based CLEC" means a CLEC that provides service through its own switch or a Third Party provider's switch.
- 2.3 "General Assistance" means a service in which the End User dialing 0 asks the OS operator for assistance. The operator will respond in accordance with OS methods and practices that are in effect at the time the End User makes an OS call where available and technically feasible.

- 2.4 "Listings" means information identifying the listed names of subscribers of carriers and subscribers' telephone numbers, addresses or primary advertising classification or any combination, and that carrier or affiliate has published, caused to be published or accepted for publication in any directory format.
- 2.5 "Services" means Operator Services/Directory Assistance (OS/DA) and Listings.
- 2.6 "Toll Center Code" means the three digit access tandem code ("ATC") that uniquely identifies a tandem switch in the Local Exchange Routing Guide (LERG) designated as providing access to operator services functions.

3.0 OPERATOR SERVICES (OS) / DIRECTORY ASSISTANCE (DA)

- 3.1 Dialing Parity:
 - 3.1.1 AT&T-21STATE will provide OS/DA to CLEC's End Users with no unreasonable dialing delays and at dialing parity with AT&T-21STATE retail OS/DA services.
- 3.2 Response Parity:
 - 3.2.1 Where available and technically feasible, CLEC's End Users shall be answered by AT&T-21STATE's OS and DA platforms with the same priority and using the same methods as for AT&T-21STATE's End Users.
 - 3.2.2 Any technical difficulties in reaching the AT&T-21STATE OS/DA platform (e.g., cable cuts in the OS/DA trunks, unusual OS/DA call volumes, etc.) will be experienced at parity with AT&T-21STATE End Users served via that same AT&T-21STATE End Office Switch.
- 3.3 Requirements to Physically Interconnect:
 - 3.3.1 This section describes the physical interconnection and trunking requirements for a Facilities-Based CLEC to interconnect with AT&T-21STATE's OS/DA switches.
 - 3.3.2 The demarcation point for OS/DA traffic between the Parties' networks need not coincide with the point of interconnection for the physical interconnection of all other inter-carrier voice traffic, but at a minimum must be in the Local Access and Transport Area (LATA) in which the CLEC's OS/DA traffic originates.
 - 3.3.2.1 Because CLEC's switch may serve End Users in more than one LATA, the Parties agree that CLEC's OS/DA traffic originates from the physical location of the End User dialing 0, 411, or 555-1212 and not the physical location of CLEC's switch.
 - 3.3.2.2 To the extent CLEC is serving via circuit-switched wireless technology, the physical location of the End User dialing 0, 411, or 555-1212 shall be deemed the End User's physical billing address, regardless of whether the End User may be roaming at the time of placing the OS/DA call.
 - 3.3.3 The Parties will establish an OS/DA demarcation point at the AT&T-21STATE's OS/DA switch. By mutual agreement, an alternative OS/DA demarcation point may be determined based on the following factors:
 - 3.3.3.1 The size and type of facilities needed to carry CLEC's switch-based OS/DA traffic;
 - 3.3.3.2 Whether CLEC wishes to interconnect for OS or DA, or both;
 - 3.3.3.3 Whether CLEC or CLEC's Affiliate is collocated in an AT&T-21STATE local tandem office and wishes to use the collocation as the OS/DA demarcation point; and
 - 3.3.3.4 Whether CLEC or CLEC's Affiliate already has existing OS/DA facilities in place to the AT&T-21STATE's OS/DA platforms.
 - 3.3.4 CLEC shall be financially responsible for the transport facilities to the AT&T-21STATE's switch(es). CLEC may self-provision these OS/DA facilities, lease them from Third Parties, or lease them from AT&T-21STATE's intrastate Special Access Tariff. CLEC shall remain financially responsible for the transport facilities to the AT&T-21STATE's switch(es) and/or any one-way trunk groups from its designated operator assistance and directory assistance (or OA/DA) switch to the AT&T-21STATE operator assistance switch until CLEC initiates and successfully disconnects such transport facilities and/or trunk groups.
 - 3.3.5 General OS/DA Trunking Requirements:

- 3.3.5.1 CLEC will initiate an Access Service Request (ASR) for all OS/DA trunk groups from its switch to the appropriate AT&T-21STATE OS/DA switches as a segregated one-way trunk group utilizing Multi-Frequency (MF) signaling. Unless technically infeasible, AT&T-21STATE will provision all such one-way trunk groups in the same manner and at the same intervals as for all other interconnection trunks between the Parties.
- 3.3.5.2 CLEC will employ Exchange Access Operator Services Signaling (EAOSS) from the AT&T-21STATE End Offices to the AT&T-21STATE OS/DA switches that are equipped to accept 10-Digit Signaling for Automatic Number Identification (ANI).
- 3.3.5.3 Where EAOSS is not available, Modified Operator Services Signaling (MOSS) will be utilized, and a segregated one-way trunk group with MF signaling will be established from CLEC to each AT&T-21STATE OS/DA switch for each served Numbering Plan Area (NPA) in the LATA.
- 3.3.6 Specific OS/DA Trunk Groups and Their Requirements
 - 3.3.6.1 Operator Service Trunks:
 - 3.3.6.1.1 CLEC shall establish a one-way trunk group from CLEC's switch to the AT&T-21STATE OS switch serving OS End Users in that LATA. An OS only trunk group will be designated with the appropriate OS traffic use code and modifier. If the trunk group transports combined OS/DA/DACC over the same trunk group, then the group will be designated with a different traffic use code and modifier for combined services. CLEC will have administrative control for the purpose of issuing ASRs on this one-way trunk group.
 - 3.3.6.2 DA/DA Call Completion (DACC) Trunks:
 - 3.3.6.2.1 Where permitted, CLEC shall establish a one-way trunk group from CLEC's switch to the AT&T-21STATE DA switch serving DA End Users in that LATA. If the trunk group transports DA/DACC only, but not OS, then the trunk group will be designated with the appropriate DA traffic use code and modifier.
 - 3.3.6.2.2 In AT&T-12STATE, if OS/DA/DACC is transported together on a combined trunk group, then the group will be designated with a different appropriate traffic use code and modifier from that used for a DA/DACC only trunk group. CLEC will have administrative control for the purpose of issuing ASRs on this one-way trunk group.
 - 3.3.6.2.3 In AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE, if OS/DA/DACC is transported together on a combined trunk group, then the group will be designated with an appropriate traffic use code and modifier. CLEC will have administrative control for the purpose of issuing ASRs on this one-way trunk group.
- 3.4 Operator Services Call Processing and Rates:
 - 3.4.1 AT&T-21STATE will assess its OS charges based upon whether the CLEC End User is receiving (a) manual OS (i.e., provided via an operator), or (b) automated OS (i.e., an OS switch equipment voice recognition feature, functioning either fully or partially without operators where available and technically feasible). The Pricing Sheet contains the full set of OS recurring and nonrecurring rates.
 - 3.4.2 AT&T-21STATE will provide OS to CLEC End Users where available and technically feasible to AT&T-21STATE End Users served in accordance with OS methods and practices in effect at the time the CLEC End User makes an OS call.
- 3.5 Directory Assistance Call Processing and Rates:
 - 3.5.1 AT&T-21STATE DA charges are assessed on a flat rate per call, regardless of call duration. The Pricing Sheet contains the recurring and nonrecurring rates.
 - 3.5.2 AT&T-21STATE will provide DA Services to CLEC End Users where available and technically feasible to AT&T-21STATE End Users served in accordance with DA Services methods and practices that are in effect

at the time CLEC End User makes a DA call. AT&T-21STATE will provide the following DA services to a CLEC End User:

- 3.5.2.1 <u>Local Directory Assistance</u> Consists of providing published name and telephone number.
- 3.5.2.2 <u>Directory Assistance Call Completion (DACC)</u> A service in which a local or an intraLATA call to the requested number is completed.
- 3.5.2.3 <u>National Directory Assistance (NDA)</u> A service whereby callers may request published name and telephone number outside their LATA or local calling area for any listed telephone number in the United States.
- 3.5.2.4 <u>Reverse Directory Assistance (RDA)</u> Consists of providing listed local and national name and address information associated with a telephone number.
- 3.5.2.5 <u>Business Category Search (BCS)</u> A service whereby callers may request business telephone number listings for a specified category of business, when the name of the business is not known. Telephone numbers may be requested for local and national businesses.
- 3.6 OS/DA Non-recurring Charges for Loading Automated Call Greeting (i.e., Brand Announcement), Rates and Reference Information:
 - 3.6.1 CLEC End Users will hear silence upon connecting with the OS/DA switch. As an alternative to silence, CLEC may custom brand for which custom brand charges will apply.
 - 3.6.1.1 CLEC will provide announcement phrase information, via Operator Services Translations Questionnaire (OSTQ), to AT&T-21STATE in conformity with the format, length, and other requirements specified for all CLECs on the AT&T CLEC Online website.
 - 3.6.1.2 AT&T-21STATE will then perform all of the loading and testing of the announcement for each applicable OS/DA switch prior to live traffic. CLEC may also change its pre-recorded announcement at any time by providing a new announcement phrase in the same manner. CLEC will be responsible for paying subsequent loading and testing charges.
 - 3.6.1.3 CLEC understands that End Users may not perceive silent announcements as ordinary mechanical handling of OS/DA calls.
 - 3.6.1.4 CLEC agrees that if it does not brand the call, CLEC shall indemnify and hold AT&T-21STATE harmless from any regulatory violation, consumer complaint, or other sanction for failing to identify the OS/DA provider to the dialing End User.
 - 3.6.2 AT&T-21STATE will be responsible for loading the CLEC provided recording into all applicable OS and/or DA switches prior to live traffic, testing the announcement for sound quality at parity with that provided to AT&T-21STATE End Users. CLEC will be responsible for paying the initial recording announcement loading charges, and thereafter, the per-call charge as well as any subsequent loading charges if new recordings or silent announcements are provided as specified above.
 - 3.6.3 Branding load charges are assessed per loaded recording, per OCN, per switch. For example, a CLEC Reseller may choose to brand under a different name than its facilities-based operations, and therefore two separate recordings could be loaded into each switch, each incurring the branding or silent load charge. These charges are mandatory, nonrecurring, and are found in the Pricing Sheet.
 - 3.6.4 Where Consolidated Reference Rater ("CRR") is available and technically feasible, the applicable CLEC-charged retail OS/DA rates and a CLEC-provided contact number (e.g., reference to a CLEC business office or repair center) are loaded into the system utilized by the OS operator.
 - 3.6.5 Where CRR is available and technically feasible, AT&T-21STATE will be responsible for loading the CLEC-provided OS/DA retail rates and the CLEC provided contact number(s) into the OS/DA switches. CLEC will be responsible for paying the initial reference and rate loading charges.

- 3.6.6 CRR load charges are assessed per loaded set of rates/references, where CRR is available and technically feasible, per OCN, per state. For example, a CLEC reseller may choose to rate differently than its Facilities-Based CLEC operations, or may change its rates/references during the life of the contract, and therefore separate sets of rates/references could be loaded for each OCN, per state, with each loading incurring the rate/reference charge. These charges are mandatory, nonrecurring and are found in the Pricing Sheet.
- 3.6.7 Converting End Users from prior branded service to CLEC or silent-branded service, or between Resale and facilities-based service:
 - 3.6.7.1 To the extent that CLEC has already established the branding/silent announcement recording in AT&T-21STATE OS/DA switches for both Resale and facilities-based service, then no non-recurring charges apply to the conversion of End Users from prior Resale OS/DA wholesale service to facilities-based OS/DA wholesale service. or vice versa.
 - 3.6.7.2 To the extent that CLEC has not established the branding announcement recording in AT&T-21STATE OS/DA switches for Resale and/or facilities-based service, then non-recurring charges apply to set up the OS/DA call for the new type of service, as is described in Section 3.6 above, and at the rates set forth in the Pricing Sheet.

4.0 LISTINGS

- 4.1 General Provisions:
 - 4.1.1 Subject to state requirements and AT&T-21STATE's practices, as well as the rules and regulations applicable to the provision of listings, AT&T-21STATE will make available to CLEC, for CLEC End Users, non-discriminatory access to listings in the same manner as AT&T-21STATE makes listings available to AT&T-21STATE retail End Users.

4.2 Responsibilities of the Parties:

- 4.2.1 Subject to AT&T-21STATE's practices, as well as the rules and regulations applicable to the provision of white page directories, AT&T-21STATE will include in appropriate white pages directories the primary alphabetical listings of CLEC End Users located within the AT&T-21STATE ILEC Territory. When CLEC provides its subscriber listing information to AT&T-21STATE listings database, CLEC will receive for its End User, one primary listing in AT&T-21STATE white pages directory and a listing in AT&T-21STATE's DA database at no charge, other than applicable service order charges as set forth in the Pricing Sheet.
 - 4.2.1.1 Except in the case of a Local Service Request (LSR) submitted solely to port a number from AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE, if such listing is requested on the initial LSR associated with the request for services, a single manual service order charge or electronic service order charge, as appropriate, will apply to both the request for service and the request for the directory listing. Where a subsequent LSR is placed solely to request a directory listing, or is placed to port a number and request a directory listing, separate service order charges as set forth in AT&T-21STATE's tariffs shall apply, as well as the manual service order charge or the electronic service order charge, as appropriate.
 - 4.2.1.2 Listing Information Confidentiality:
 - 4.2.1.2.1 AT&T-21STATE will afford CLEC's directory listing information the same level of confidentiality that AT&T-21STATE affords its own directory listing information.
 - 4.2.1.3 Unlisted/Non-Published End Users:
 - 4.2.1.3.1 CLEC will provide to AT&T-21STATE the names, addresses and telephone numbers of all CLEC End Users who wish to be omitted from directories. Non-listed/Non-Published listings will be subject to the rates as set forth in AT&T-21STATE's tariffs and/or service guidebooks. AT&T-21STATE does not provide a resale discount for any listings.

4.2.1.4 Additional Listings:

- 4.2.1.4.1 Where a CLEC End User requires listings in addition to the primary listing to appear in the white pages directory, AT&T-21STATE will offer such listings at rates as set forth in AT&T-21STATE's tariffs and/or service guidebooks. AT&T-21STATE does not provide a resale discount for any listings. CLEC shall furnish to AT&T-21STATE subscriber listing information pertaining to CLEC End Users located within the AT&T-21STATE ILEC Territory, along with such additional information as AT&T-21STATE may be required to include in the alphabetical listings of said directory. CLEC shall refer to the AT&T CLEC Online website for methods, procedures and ordering information.
- 4.2.2 CLEC will provide accurate subscriber listing information of its subscribers to AT&T-21STATE via a mechanized feed of the directory listing information to AT&T-21STATE's Directory Listing database. CLEC agrees to submit all listing information via a mechanized process within six (6) months of the Effective Date of this Agreement, or upon CLEC reaching a volume of two hundred (200) listing updates per day, whichever comes first. CLEC's subscriber listings will be interfiled (interspersed) in the directory among AT&T-21STATE's subscriber listing information. CLEC will submit listing information within one (1) business day of installation, disconnection or other change in service (including change of non-listed or non-published status) affecting the DA database or the directory listing of a CLEC End User. CLEC must submit all listing information intended for publication by the directory close (a/k/a last listing activity) date.

4.2.3 White Page Directories:

4.2.3.1 Subject to state requirements and AT&T-21STATE's practices, as well as the rules and regulations applicable to the provision of white page directories, each CLEC subscriber may receive one copy per primary End User listing, as provided by CLEC, of the appropriate AT&T-21STATE white pages directory in the same manner, format and at the same time that they are delivered to AT&T-21STATE's retail End Users.

4.2.4 Use of Subscriber Listing Information:

- 4.2.4.1 Subject to AT&T-21STATE's practices, as well as the rules and regulations applicable to the provision of white page directories, AT&T-21STATE agrees to serve as the single point of contact for all independent and Third Party directory publishers who seek to include CLEC's subscriber (i.e., End User) listing information in an area directory, and to handle the CLEC's subscriber listing information in the same manner as AT&T-21STATE's subscriber listing information. In exchange for AT&T-21STATE serving as the single point of contact and handling all subscriber listing information equally, CLEC authorizes AT&T-21STATE to include and use the CLEC subscriber listing information provided to AT&T-21STATE DA databases, and to provide CLEC subscriber listing information to directory publishers. Included in this authorization is release of CLEC listings to requesting competing carriers as required by Section 271(c)(2)(B)(vii)(II) and Section 251(b)(3) and any applicable state regulations and orders. Also included in this authorization is AT&T-21STATE's use of CLEC's subscriber listing information in AT&T-21STATE's DA, DA related products and services, and directory products and services.
- 4.2.4.2 AT&T-21STATE further agrees not to charge CLEC for serving as the single point of contact with independent and Third Party directory publishers, no matter what number or type of requests are fielded. In exchange for the handling of CLEC's subscriber list information to directory publishers, CLEC agrees that it will receive no compensation for AT&T-21STATE's receipt of the subscriber list information or for the subsequent release of this information to directory publishers. Such CLEC subscriber list information shall be interfiled (interspersed) with AT&T-21STATE's subscriber list information and the subscriber list information of other companies that have authorized a similar release of their subscriber list information by AT&T-21STATE.

- 4.2.5 Upon identification and notice of non-compliance by AT&T-21STATE, CLEC agrees to pay all direct costs incurred by AT&T-21STATE as a result of CLEC not complying with the terms of this Attachment and in accordance with the Limitations of Liability section in the General Terms and Conditions Attachment of this Agreement.
- 4.2.6 This Attachment shall not establish, be interpreted as establishing, or be used by either Party to establish or to represent their relationship as any form of agency, partnership or joint venture.
- 4.2.7 Breach of Contract:
 - 4.2.7.1 If either Party is found to have materially breached the Listings terms of this Attachment, the non-breaching Party may terminate the Listings terms of this Attachment by providing written Notice to the breaching Party, whereupon this Attachment shall be null and void with respect to any issue of white pages directory published sixty (60) or more calendar days after the date of receipt of such written Notice. CLEC further agrees to pay all costs incurred by AT&T-21STATE and/or its Affiliates and vendor as a result of such CLEC breach.
- 4.2.8 General Conditions for Listings:
 - 4.2.8.1 Notwithstanding the foregoing, AT&T-21STATE reserves the right to suspend, modify or terminate, without penalty, any Listings Service offerings that are provided under this Attachment on ninety (90) days' written notice in the form of an Accessible Letter.
 - 4.2.8.2 CLEC shall be solely responsible for any and all legal or regulatory requirements for the modification or discontinuance of Listings products and/or services to CLEC End Users under this Section.

5.0 GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR OPERATOR SERVICES (OS), DIRECTORY ASSISTANCE (DA)

- Notwithstanding the foregoing, AT&T-21STATE reserves the right to suspend, modify or terminate, without penalty, any OS and/or DA feature of Service(s) offerings that are provided under this Attachment on one hundred eighty (180) days' written notice in the form of an Accessible Letter.
- 5.2 Termination:
 - 5.2.1 If the CLEC terminates OS and/or DA service prior to the expiration of the term of this Agreement, CLEC shall pay AT&T-21STATE, within thirty (30) calendar days of the issuance of any bills by AT&T-21STATE, all amounts due for actual services provided under this Attachment, plus estimated monthly charges for the remainder of the term. Estimated charges will be based on an average of the actual monthly amounts billed by AT&T-21STATE pursuant to this Attachment prior to its termination. The rates applicable for determining the amount(s) under the terms outlined in this Section are those specified in the Pricing Sheet.
- 5.3 CLEC shall be solely responsible for any and all legal or regulatory requirements for the modification or discontinuance of OS and/or DA products/services to CLEC End Users under this Attachment.

6.0 <u>TERMINATION – ENTIRE ATTACHMENT – OPERATOR ASSISTANCE AND DIRECTORY</u> ASSISTANCE SERVICES

The Parties reserve the right to suspend or terminate, without penalty, this Attachment in its entirety on one hundred eighty (180) days' written notice. The Attachment will be coterminous with the ICA or will continue until the Party desiring to terminate this Attachment provides one hundred eighty (180) days' written Notice to the other Party of the date the Attachment will terminate ("Termination Date"), whichever date is earlier.

PRICING SHEETS

							Month Recurr	,	Non- Recurring Charge (NRC)	Non- Recurring Charge (NRC)	
Attachment	State	Product	Rate Element Description	COS (Class of Service)	USOC	Zone	Charge (I	/IRC)	First	Additional	Per Unit
6	_	DIRECTORY ASSISTANCE SERVICES	Directory Assistance (DA) - per call		ZZUO3		\$	0.40	NA		per call
6	KS	DIRECTORY ASSISTANCE SERVICES	Directory Assistance (DA) - per call - Credit		ZZUO4		\$	0.40	NA	NA	per call
6		DIRECTORY ASSISTANCE SERVICES	Directory Assistance Call Completion (DACC) - per call		ZZUO7		\$	0.15	NA		per call
6		DIRECTORY ASSISTANCE SERVICES	National Directory Assistance (NDA)		ZZUO5		\$	0.65	NA		
6		DIRECTORY ASSISTANCE SERVICES	National Directory Assistance (NDA) - Credit		ZZUO6		\$	0.65	NA		
6	_	DIRECTORY ASSISTANCE SERVICES	Business Category Search (BCS)		ZZUOB		\$	0.65	NA		
6	_	DIRECTORY ASSISTANCE SERVICES	Reverse Directory Assistance (RDA)		ZZUO8		\$	0.65	NA		
6	_	DIRECTORY ASSISTANCE SERVICES	Reverse Directory Assistance (RDA) - Credit		ZZUO9		\$	0.65	NA		
6		DIRECTORY LISTING PRODUCT	White Page Directory Listings						NA		
6	KS	DIRECTORY LISTING PRODUCT	Non Published/Non List Directory Listings						NA	NA	
6		DIRECTORY ASSISTANCE - BRANDING	Directory Assistance - Branding - Initial/Subsequent Load per switch, per OCN		NRBDG			NA	, , , , , , , , , ,		per switch, per OCN
6		DIRECTORY ASSISTANCE - BRANDING	Directory Assistance - Branding Per call		ZZUCB		\$	0.030	NA	NA	per call
6		DIRECTORY ASSISTANCE - RATE REFERENCE	Directory Assistance - Rate Reference Initial Load per state, per OCN		NRBDL			NA	\$ 5,000.00	NA	per state, per OCN
6	KS	DIRECTORY ASSISTANCE - RATE REFERENCE	Directory Assistance - Rate Reference - Subsequent Load per state, per OCN		NRBDM			NA	\$ 1,500.00	NA	per state, per OCN
6	KS	DIRECTORY ASSISTANCE LISTINGS	Directory Assistance Listings (DAL)-Initial Load, per listing				\$ 0	0585	NA	NA	per listing
6	KS	DIRECTORY ASSISTANCE LISTINGS	Directory Assistance Listings (DAL)-Update, per listing				\$ 0	0585	NA	NA	per listing
6	KS	DIRECTORY ASSISTANCE LISTINGS	Directory Assistance Listings (DAL)-Non-Pub Emergency Message Service				\$	2.60	NA	NA	per listing
6	KS	OPERATOR CALL PROCESSING	Operated Services - Fully Automated Call Processing (Per completed automated call)		ZZUO1		\$	0.15	NA	NA	Per completed automated call
6	KS	OPERATOR CALL PROCESSING	Operator Assisted Call Processing All Types per work second		ZZUO2		\$	0.03	NA	NA	per work second
6		OPERATOR SERVICES - BRANDING	Operator Services - Branding - Initial/Subsequent Load per switch, per OCN		NRBDG			NA	, , , , , , , ,		per switch, per OCN
6		OPERATOR SERVICES - BRANDING	Operator Services - Branding Per call		ZZUCB		\$	0.030	NA	NA	per call
6	KS	OPERATOR SERVICES - RATE REFERENCE	Operator Services - Rate Reference Initial Load per state, per OCN		NRBDL			NA	\$ 5,000.00	NA	per state, per OCN
6		OPERATOR SERVICES - RATE REFERENCE	Operator Services - Rate Reference - Subsequent Load per state, per OCN		NRBDM			NA	\$ 1,500.00	NA	per state, per OCN

BEFORE THE KANSAS CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

In the Matter of the Application of)	
Southwestern Bell Telephone Company	·)	
for Approval of Interconnection)	Docket No. 15-SWBT-420-IAT
Agreement Under the)	
Telecommunications Act of 1996 with)	
New Horizons Communications Corp.)	

AFFIDAVIT OF RICHARD T. HOWELL

STATE OF TEXAS)	
)	SS
COUNTY OF DALLAS)	

Before me, the Undersigned Authority, on the 13th day of February, 2017, personally appeared Richard T. Howell of Southwestern Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Kansas, upon being by me duly sworn on oath deposed and said the following:

- 1. My name is Richard T. Howell. I am over the age of 21, of sound mind and competent to testify to the matters stated herein. I am the Area Manager-Regulatory Relations for AT&T Kansas, and I have personal knowledge concerning the Interconnection Agreement ("the Agreement") between AT&T Kansas and New Horizons Communications Corp. that was approved by the Commission on April 14, 2015 and the proposed modification to that Agreement.
- 2. This modification implements the FCC's Lifeline and Link Up Reform and Modernization, and USTelecom Forbearance Orders; modifies certain provisions related to Termination of Agreement After Initial Term Expiration; modifies certain provisions related to Customer Information Services; replaces the Notices contact information section; and expands the current Agreement to the State of Tennessee.
- 3. There are no outstanding issues between the parties that need the assistance of mediation and arbitration relating to the modification to the Agreement.
- 4. The implementation of this modification to the Agreement is consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity.

- 5. This modification to the Agreement does not discriminate against any telecommunications carrier. The modification is available to any similarly situated local service provider in negotiating a similar agreement.
- 6. The negotiated and executed modification to the Agreement is consistent with Kansas law.

Richard T Howell

Subscribed and sworn to before me this ______ day of February 2017.

ELISA M. MENDOZA
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES
June 13, 2017

June 13,2017

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: