

**BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS**

In the Matter of the Application of Southwestern  
Bell Telephone Company for Approval of  
Interconnection Agreement Under the  
Telecommunications Act of 1996 With Sonic  
Telecom, LLC.

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**NOTICE OF FILING OF STAFF REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION**

COMES Now the Staff of the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas ("Staff" and "Commission", respectively), and files its Notice of Filing of Staff Report and Recommendation on the Application of Southwestern Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Kansas (AT&T) requesting Commission approval of an Interconnection Agreement between AT&T and Sonic Telecom, LLC.

WHEREFORE, Staff requests the Commission consider its Report and Recommendation and grant such other and further relief as the Commission deems just and proper.

Respectfully submitted,



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**REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION  
UTILITIES DIVISION**

**TO:** Chairman Mark Sievers  
Commissioner Ward Loyd  
Commissioner Thomas E. Wright

**FROM:** Christine Aarnes

**DATE:** November 2, 2011

**DATE SUBMITTED TO EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:** N/A

**DATE SUBMITTED TO LEGAL:** 11/2/11

**DATE SUBMITTED TO COMMISSIONERS:** 11/3/11

**SUBJECT:** 12-SWBT-182-IAT  
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**BACKGROUND:**

On September 9, 2011, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Kansas (AT&T) filed an Application for approval of an Interconnection Agreement with Sonic Telecom, LLC (Sonic).

AT&T contends that implementation of this Agreement complies fully with Section 252(e) of the Federal Act. AT&T believes approval is consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity and does not discriminate against any telecommunications carrier.

AT&T presents this Agreement and its attachments as an integrated package, the result of negotiations and compromise. AT&T states there are no outstanding issues between the parties that need the assistance of mediation or arbitration.

**ANALYSIS:**

Sonic is properly registered with the Kansas Secretary of State's office and is currently "active and in good standing" with the Secretary's office. Sonic was granted authority to operate in the

state of Kansas as a competitive local exchange carrier in Docket No. 11-STLT-681-COC on May 9, 2011.

Section 252(e) of the Federal Act states that state commissions may reject a negotiated agreement only if it finds that the agreement (or portions thereof) discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement; or the implementation of such an agreement (or portions thereof) is not consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity. Staff has reviewed the Agreement and finds no such cause for concern from this filing.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends Commission approval of the negotiated Agreement.

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing *Notice of Filing of Staff Report and Recommendation* was placed in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, on this 3rd day of November, 2011, properly addressed to:

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