

THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

Before Commissioners: Brian J. Moline, Chair
 Robert E. Krehbiel
 Michael C. Moffet

In the Matter of the Application of)
Southwestern Bell Telephone Company for)
Approval of Interconnection and Reciprocal) Docket No. 00-SWBT-892-IAT
Compensation Agreement Under The)
Telecommunications Act of 1996 with High)
Plains/Midwest LLC d/b/a WestLink)
Communications.)

ORDER

NOW, the above-captioned matter comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Commission). Having examined its files and records, and being duly advised in the premises, the Commission finds and concludes as follows:

1. On October 14, 2005, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, L.P. (SWBT) filed an application seeking approval of a modification to its interconnection agreement with High Plains/Midwest LLC d/b/a WestLink Communications.

2. This modification to the Commercial Mobile Radio Services agreement is consistent with the provisions of Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and amends the agreement previously negotiated, executed, and filed with the Commission on March 27, 2000. This modification amends the agreement to reflect the name change from High Plains/Midwest LLC d/b/a WestLink Communications to WestLink Communications, LLC (WestLink). Except as modified herein, all other terms and conditions of the underlying agreement remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

3. On December 1, 2005, Commission staff (Staff) submitted a memorandum stating it has reviewed this modification to the interconnection agreement between SWBT and WestLink. Staff noted WestLink is properly registered with the Kansas Secretary of State's office and is currently listed as "active and in good standing" with that office. Staff indicated it found no evidence to conclude this agreement discriminates against any telecommunications carrier, nor is it inconsistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity. Staff stated it does not have any concerns with approving this application and recommended the Commission grant approval of this modification to the interconnection agreement between SWBT and WestLink.

4. The Commission finds and concludes that modification to the interconnection agreement between SWBT and WestLink should be granted. The implementation of the Agreement is consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity and does not, on its face, discriminate against any telecommunications provider not a party to the agreement.

IT IS, THEREFORE, BY THE COMMISSION ORDERED THAT:

A. The October 14, 2005 application of Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, L.P. for modification of its interconnection agreement with WestLink Communications, LLC is hereby approved.

B. The parties have fifteen days, plus three days if service of this order is by mail, from the date this order was served in which to petition the Commission for reconsideration of any issue or issues decided herein. K.S.A. 66-118; K.S.A. 2004 Supp. 77-529(a)(1).

C. The Commission retains jurisdiction over the subject matter and the parties for the purpose of issuing such further order, or orders, as it may deem necessary.

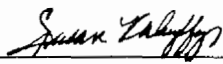
BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

Moline, Chr.; Krehbiel, Com.; Moffet, Com.

Dated: DEC 07 2005

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 Executive
Director

Susan K. Duffy
Executive Director

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