MEMORANDUM UTILITIES DIVISION

TO: Chair Moline

Commissioner Krehbiel Commissioner Moffet

FROM: Hal Baumhardt

DATE: April 18, 2007

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RE: Docket No. 0**6**-SWBT-1141-IAT

In the Matter of the Application of Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. for Approval of Interconnection Agreement Under the Telecommunications

Act of 1996 with Ironhorse Services, LLC.

BACKGROUND:

On February 2, 2007 Southwestern Bell Telephone Company filed an application for approval of a modification to the Interconnection Agreement previously approved between Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P d/b/a AT&T Kansas ("AT&T Kansas") and Avid Communications, LLC f/k/a Ironhorse Services, LLC ("Avid").

On, April 20, 2006, Ironhorse Services, LLC chose to adopt an MFN agreement approved by the Commission during arbitration proceedings to develop successor agreements for the Kansas 271 Interconnection Agreement.

ANALYSIS:

This modification to the agreement is consistent with the provisions of Section 252(e) of the Federal Act and amends, modifies and supersedes the agreement previously negotiated, executed and filed with the Commission on May 2, 2006. This amendment reflects a name change <u>only</u> from Ironhorse Services, LLC to Avid Communications, LLC. Except as modified herein, all other terms and conditions of the underlying agreement remains unchanged and in full force.

On November 15, 2005, in Docket Nos. 06-IRHT-272-COC and 06-IRHT-273-COC, the Commission granted Ironhorse Services, LLC a certificate of convenience and authority to provide local and interexchange telecommunication services (interconnection reseller) in the state of Kansas, respectively.

On October 10, 2006 in Docket Nos. 07-IRHT-361-COC and 07-IRHT-362-COC, the Commission granted Ironhorse Service, LLC a name change to Avid Communications, LLC. Avid is registered with the Kansas Secretary of State's office and is currently "active and in good standing."

Staff has reviewed this modification to the (K2A) Interconnection Agreement between Southwestern Bell Telephone Company and Avid Communications, LLC, and finds no evidence to conclude this agreement discriminates against any telecommunications carrier, nor is inconsistent with public interest, convenience and necessity. Staff does not have any concerns with approving this application.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Commission grant approval for a modification to the Interconnection Agreement between Southwestern Bell Telephone Company and Avid Communications, LLC.

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