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Contact information for CLEC is listed below.

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

Sincerely,

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Bruce A. Ney AVP – Senior Legal Counsel

Attachments

cc: Dane Jasper

## 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

Docket No. 12-SWBT-182-IAT

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

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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 Sonic Telecom, LLC 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 September 9, 2011 pursuant to the terms of the Federal Act. The Commission issued an order approving the Agreement on November 10, 2011. This modification implements Intercarrier compensation rates at Bill & Keep, for termination of all Section 251(b)(5) Traffic exchanged between the parties in the current Agreement. 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
  - 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

SONIC TELECOM, LLC

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## AMENDMENT

# BETWEEN

## ILLINOIS BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY D/B/A AT&T ILLINOIS, PACIFIC BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY D/B/A AT&T CALIFORNIA, SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY D/B/A AT&T KANSAS AND AT&T MISSOURI

AND

# SONIC TELECOM, LLC



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Signature: eSigned - Dane Jasper

Name: eSigned - Dane Jasper (Print or Type)

Title: CEO

(Print or Type)

Date: 29 Jun 2017

Date: 27 Jun 2017

Sonic Telecom, LLC

Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T ILLINOIS, Pacific Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T CALIFORNIA, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T KANSAS and AT&T MISSOURI by AT&T Services, Inc., its authorized agent

State	Resale OCN	ULEC OCN	CLEC OCN		
CALIFORNIA			433E		
ILLINOIS			559G		
KANSAS			529G		
MISSOURI			530G		

Description	ACNA Code(s)
ACNA(s)	SQD

Signature: eSigned - William Bockelman

Name: eSigned - William Bockelman (Print or Type)

Title: DIR-INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENTS

(Print or Type)

### AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN SONIC TELECOM, LLC AND

### ILLINOIS BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY D/B/A AT&T ILLINOIS, PACIFIC BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY D/B/A AT&T CALIFORNIA, SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY D/B/A AT&T KANSAS AND AT&T MISSOURI

This amendment ("Amendment") amends the Agreement(s) by and between AT&T and CARRIER as shown in the attached Exhibit A.

WHEREAS, AT&T and CARRIER are Parties to the Agreement(s) as shown in the attached Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, the Parties desire to amend the Agreement to implement to the *Connect America Fund et al.*, WC Docket No. 10-90 et al, Report and Order issued by the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") on November 18, 2011 (FCC 11-161), and as amended by the FCC on December 23, 2011 (FCC 11-189) ("FCC ICC Reform Order").

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

- 1. The Amendment is composed of the foregoing recitals, the terms and conditions, contained within, Exhibit A Listing of Agreements and Exhibit B Pricing Sheet, all of which are hereby incorporated within this Amendment by this reference and constitute a part of this Amendment.
- 2. Intercarrier Compensation
  - 2.1. The Parties hereby implement the intercarrier compensation rates reflected in the Pricing Sheet attached hereto as Exhibit B, for the termination of all Section 251(b)(5) Traffic exchanged between the Parties in the applicable state(s). The intercarrier compensation rates included in Exhibit C hereby supersede the existing rate elements included in the Agreement for purposes of reciprocal compensation.
- 3. There shall be no retroactive application of any provision of this Amendment prior to the Effective Date of an adopting CLEC's agreement.
- 4. 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.
- 5. 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.
- 6. This Amendment shall not modify or extend the Effective Date or Term of the underlying Agreement, but rather, shall be coterminous with such Agreement.
- 7. EXCEPT AS MODIFIED HEREIN, ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE UNDERLYING AGREEMENT SHALL REMAIN UNCHANGED AND IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.
- 8. 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.
- 9. For Illinois, Kansas, Missouri: This Amendment shall be filed with and is subject to approval by the applicable state Commission and shall become effective ten (10) days following approval by such Commission. For California:



Pursuant to Resolution ALJ 257, this filing will become effective, absent rejection of the Advice Letter by the Commission, upon thirty (30) days after the filing date of the Advice Letter to which this Amendment is appended.

Contract Id: 8439500

### Exhibit A – Listing of Agreements

AT&T ILEC ("AT&T")	CARRIER Legal Name	Contract Type	Approval Date Effective Date		
Pacific Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T CALIFORNIA	Sonic Telecom, LLC	Interconnection Agreement	12/11/09		
Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T ILLINOIS	Sonic Telecom, LLC	Interconnection Agreement	11/9/11		
Southwestern Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T KANSAS	Sonic Telecom, LLC	Interconnection Agreement	11/10/11		
Southwestern Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T MISSOURI	Sonic Telecom, LLC	Interconnection Agreement	10/21/11		

Pricing Sheet Exhibit B

							-		Non- Recurring Charge (NRC)	
Attachment	State	Product	Rate Element Description	COS (Class of Service)	USOC	Zone	Charge (MRC)	First	Additional	Per Unit
		LOCAL INTERCONNECTION (CALL	Rate for All ISP-Bound and section 251(b)(5) Traffic as							
2MR-AT	KS	TRANSPORT AND TERMINATION	per FCC 01-131, per MOU		ZZUR2		\$0.00	NA	NA	MOU
		LOCAL INTERCONNECTION (CALL								
2MR-AT	KS	TRANSPORT AND TERMINATION	Optional EAS Transport and Termination per MOU		ZZUR2		\$0.00	NA	NA	MOU

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### AFFIDAVIT OF RICHARD T. HOWELL

STATE OF TEXAS

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Before me, the Undersigned Authority, on the 7th day of September 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 Sonic Telecom, LLC that was approved by the Commission on November 10, 2011 and the proposed modification to that Agreement.
- 2. This modification implements Intercarrier compensation rates at Bill & Keep, for termination of all Section 251(b)(5) Traffic exchanged between the parties in the current Agreement.
- 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.

- This modification to the Agreement does not discriminate against any 5. 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.

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Richard T. Howell

Subscribed and sworn to before me this <u>Hh</u> day of September 2017.

Marit an Cervart Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 3/29/2020

