## **NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION**

#### MINUTES OF REGULAR COMMISSION STAFF CONFERENCE

July 11, 2022

The Regular Commission Staff Conference of the North Carolina Utilities Commission was held on Monday, July 11, 2022, at 10:00 a.m., with Chair Mitchell presiding.

The following were present:

### **COMMISSIONERS:**

Commissioner Brown-Bland Commissioner Clodfelter Commissioner Duffley Commissioner Hughes Commissioner McKissick Commissioner Kemerait

<u>COMMISSION STAFF</u>: Mr. Watson, Mr. Green, Ms. Fennell, Ms. Duffy, Mr. Mertz, Ms. Hicks, Ms. Harrod, Ms. Hilburn, Mr. Rhodes, Mr. Barber, Ms. Jayasheela, Mr. Gajda, Mr. McCoy

**PUBLIC STAFF:** Ms. Edmondson, Ms. Holt, Mr. Creech, Ms. Coxton, Mr. Freeman, Ms. Keyworth, Mr. Junis, Ms. Bhatta, Ms. Proffitt

### ATTORNEY GENERAL:

**COURT REPORTER:** Ms. Mitchell

# **COMMUNICATIONS**

INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT AMENDMENTS (Profitt/Coxton)

### BellSouth Telecommunications, LLC, d/b/a AT&T North Carolina (AT&T)

1. <u>Docket No. P-55, Sub 1467</u> – Amendments to the interconnection agreement with ACN Communication Services, LLC, approved November 20, 2003.

On May 9, 2022, BellSouth Telecommunications, LLC, d/b/a AT&T North Carolina, and ACN Communication Services, LLC (collectively, the Parties), filed for Commission approval an amendment to their existing interconnection agreement, approved November 20, 2003. On June 21, 2022, the Parties filed another amendment to their existing interconnection agreement for Commission approval.

The Public Staff recommended that the amendments be approved.

It was moved and passed that the Public Staff's recommendation be adopted.

2. <u>Docket No. P-55, Sub 1521</u> – Amendment to the interconnection agreement with Level 3 Communications, LLC, approved July 1, 2004.

On May 9, 2022, BellSouth Telecommunications, LLC, d/b/a AT&T North Carolina, and Level 3 Communications, LLC, filed for Commission approval an amendment to their existing interconnection agreement, approved July 1, 2004.

The Public Staff recommended that the amendment be approved.

It was moved and passed that the Public Staff's recommendation be adopted.

3. <u>Docket No. P-55, Sub 1628</u> – Amendment to the interconnection agreement with TelCove Operations, LLC, approved June 6, 2006.

On May 2, 2022, BellSouth Telecommunications, LLC, d/b/a AT&T North Carolina, and TelCove Operations, LLC, filed for Commission approval an amendment to their existing interconnection agreement, approved June 6, 2006.

The Public Staff recommended that the amendment be approved.

It was moved and passed that the Public Staff's recommendation be adopted.

4. <u>Docket No. P-55, Sub 1726</u> – Amendment to the interconnection agreement with Level 3 Telecom of North Carolina, LP, approved February 29, 2008, while the company was operating as TW Telecom of North Carolina, LP.

On May 9, 2022, BellSouth Telecommunications, LLC, d/b/a AT&T North Carolina, and Level 3 Telecom of North Carolina, LP, filed for Commission approval an amendment to their existing interconnection agreement, approved February 29, 2008, while Level 3 Telecom of North Carolina, LP was operating as Time Warner Telecom of North Carolina, L.P.

The Public Staff recommended that the amendment be approved.

It was moved and passed that the Public Staff's recommendation be adopted.

5. <u>Docket No. P-55, Sub 1829</u> – Amendment to the interconnection agreement with CenturyLink Communications, LLC, approved February 23, 2011, while the company was operating as Qwest Communications Company, LLC.

On May 9, 2022, BellSouth Telecommunications, LLC, d/b/a AT&T North Carolina, and CenturyLink Communications, LLC, filed for Commission approval an amendment to their existing interconnection agreement, approved February 23, 2011, while CenturyLink Communications, LLC, was operating as Qwest Communications Company, LLC.

The Public Staff recommended that the amendment be approved.

It was moved and passed that the Public Staff's recommendation be adopted.

6. <u>Docket No. P-55, Sub 1885</u> – Amendments to the interconnection agreement with Spirit Tower Company, LLC, d/b/a Segra, approved April 9, 2013, while the company was operating as SCANA Communications, Inc.

On May 9, 2022, BellSouth Telecommunications, LLC, d/b/a AT&T North Carolina, and Spirit Tower Company, LLC, d/b/a Segra, formerly SCANA Communications, Inc. (collectively, the Parties), filed for Commission approval an amendment to their existing interconnection agreement, approved April 9, 2013, while Spirit Tower Company, LLC, d/b/a Segra was operating as SCANA Communications, Inc. On June 22, 2022, the Parties filed another amendment to their existing interconnection agreement for Commission approval.

The Public Staff recommended that the amendments be approved.

It was moved and passed that the Public Staff's recommendation be adopted.

7. <u>Docket No. P-55, Sub 1948</u> – Amendments to the interconnection agreement with Teliax, Inc., approved October 6, 2021.

BellSouth Telecommunications, LLC, d/b/a AT&T North Carolina, and Teliax, Inc. (the Parties), filed amendments to their existing interconnection agreement for Commission

approval on May 2, 2022, May 10, 2022, and June 21, 2022. The Parties' existing interconnection agreement received Commission approval on October 6, 2021.

The Public Staff recommended that the amendments be approved.

It was moved and passed that the Public Staff's recommendation be adopted.

# **WATER AND WASTEWATER**

ORDER REQUIRING CUSTOMER NOTICE (Bhatta/Morgan/Coxton)

### Joyceton Water Works, Inc.

8. <u>Docket No. W-4 Sub 23</u> – Application for Transfer of Public Utility System (to owner exempt from regulation) for Joyceton Water Works, Inc. in Caldwell County to the City of Lenoir, North Carolina.

On May 12, 2022, Joyceton Water Works, Inc. (Joyceton), filed an application with the Commission for authority to transfer its franchise for providing water utility service in its service area in Caldwell County, North Carolina, to the City of Lenoir (City), which is exempt from Commission regulation.

The Public Staff stated that it had reviewed the application and recommended that Joyceton be required to provide notice to its affected customers of the application for transfer of the water utility system from Joyceton to the City and that the matter be determined without public hearing if no significant protests are received subsequent to customer notice.

It was moved and passed that the Public Staff's recommendation be adopted.

Minutes of the Regular Commission Staff Conference of June 27, 2022 were approved.

Minutes prepared by Le Anne Ackerman.