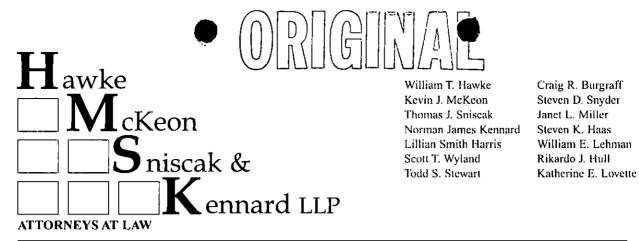
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ALLEGATION OR SUBJECT

JOINT PETITION OF CITIZENS TELEPHONE COMPANY OF KECKSBURG AND ARMSTRONG TELE-COMMUNICATIONS, INC. FOR APPROVAL OF LOCAL WIRELINE NETWORK INTERCONNECTION AND TRAFFIC EXCHANGE AGREEMENT UNDER SECTION 252(E) OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996.







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VIA HAND DELIVERY

James J. McNulty, Secretary Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission Commonwealth Keystone Building 400 North Street - Filing Room Room 2 North Harrisburg, PA 17120 RECEIVED 2005 JAN 25 PM 4: 26 SECRETARY'S BUREAU

Citizens Telephone Company Of Kecksburg; Docket No. <u>A-311014 F</u>7012 Re: PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT FOR LOCAL WIRELINE NETWORK INTERCONNECTION AND TRAFFIC EXCHANGE BETWEEN CITIZENS TELEPHONE COMPANY OF **KECKSBURG AND ARMSTRONG TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.**

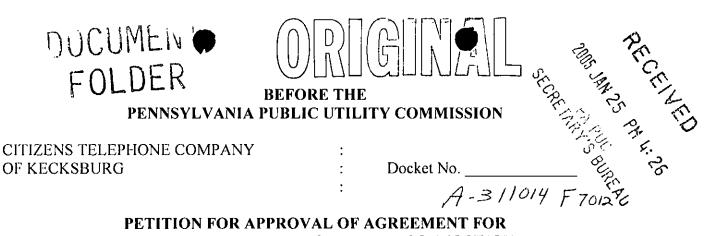
Dear Secretary McNulty:

Enclosed please find for filing an original and four (4) copies of the Petition for Approval of Agreement for Local Wireline Network Interconnection and Traffic Exchange Between Citizens Telephone Company of Kecksburg and Armstrong Telecommunications, Inc.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact the undersigned.

Very truly yours ames Kennard

NJK/tap Enclosure cc: Richard Cutrell David Reams Jamieson



PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT FOR LOCAL WIRELINE NETWORK INTERCONNECTION AND TRAFFIC EXCHANGE BETWEEN CITIZENS TELEPHONE COMPANY OF KECKSBURG AND ARMSTRONG TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.

Citizens Telephone Company of Kecksburg ("Citizens-Kecksburg") hereby requests that the Commission review and approve the attached Agreement for Local Wireline Network Interconnection and Traffic Exchange ("Agreement") between Citizens-Kecksburg and Armstrong Telecommunications, Inc. ("Armstrong") pursuant to Sections 252(a)(1) and 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the "Act").¹ In support of this request, Citizens-Kecksburg states as follows:

1. The Agreement was arrived at through good faith negotiations between the parties as contemplated by Section 252(a) of the Act and provides for interconnection as addressed in Sections 251(a) and (b) of the Act. Section 251(c) interconnection is not authorized under the Agreement.

2. Pursuant to Section 252(e)(2), the Commission may only reject a negotiated Agreement if it finds that (1) the Agreement discriminates against another carrier or (2) implementation of the Agreement would not be consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity.

3. Citizens-Kecksburg will make the Agreement available to any other telecommunications carrier operating within its territory on the same terms and conditions.



¹ 47 U.S.C. §§ 252(a)(1) and 252(e).

Other carriers are also free to negotiate their own terms and conditions pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Act. For this reason, the Agreement is not discriminatory.

4. In addition, implementation of the Agreement is consistent with the public interest because it will promote competition and enhance Armstrong's ability to provide Pennsylvania telecommunications users with a competitive alternative for telecommunications services.

5. In accordance with Section 252(e)(4) of the Act, the Agreement will be deemed approved if the Commission does not act to approve or reject the Agreement within 90 days from the date of this submission.

6. Copies of the Agreement are available for public inspection in Citizens-Kecksburg's and Armstrong's public offices.

7. Armstrong concurs in the submission of this Petition.

Wherefore, Citizens Telephone Company of Kecksburg respectfully requests that the Commission approve the attached Interconnection Agreement under Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 as expeditiously as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

Norman James Kennard Hawke McKeon Sniscak & Kennard LLP 100 North Tenth Street P.O. Box 1778 Harrisburg, PA 17105 717-236-1300

Counsel for Citizens Telephone Company of Kecksburg

Dated: January 25, 2005

CERTIFICATE OF CONCURRENCE

I, Norman James Kennard, counsel for Citizens Telephone Company of Kecksburg, hereby certify that Armstrong Telecommunications, Inc. concurs in the submission of the foregoing Petition.

Norman James Kennard

Dated: January 25, 2005

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VERIFICATION

I, Richard Cuttrell, President of Citizens Telephone Company of Kecksburg, verify that the information provided in the foregoing document is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief. I understand that false statements therein are made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa. C.S. § 4904, relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.

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Richard Cuttrell

Dated:

January 18, 2005

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TO: Office of Special Assistants

FROM: James J. McNulty, Secretary KB

JOINT PETITION OF CITIZENS TELEPHONE COMPANY OF KECKSBURG AND ARMSTRONG TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. FOR APPROVAL OF A LOCAL WIRELINE NETWORK INTERCONNECTION AND TRAFFIC EXCHANGE AGREEMENT UNDER SECTION 252(e) OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996.

Attached is a copy of a Joint Petition for Approval of a Local Wireline Network Interconnection and Traffic Exchange Agreement filed in connection with the above-docketed proceeding.

Enclosed is a copy of the notice that we provided to the Pennsylvania Bulletin to be published on February 5, 2005. Comments are due on or before 10 days after the publication of this notice.

This matter is assigned to your Office for appropriate action.

Attachment

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cc: Bureau of Fixed Utility Services Office of Administrative Law Judge-copy of memo only



PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

NOTICE TO BE PUBLISHED

Joint Petition of Citizens Telephone Company of Kecksburg and Armstrong Telecommunications, Inc. for Approval of a Local Network Interconnection and Traffic Exchange Agreement Under Section 252(e) of The Telecommunications Act of 1996. Docket Number: A-311014F7012.

Citizens Telephone Company of Kecksburg and Armstrong Telecommunications, Inc., by its counsel, filed on January 25, 2005, at the Public Utility Commission, a Joint Petition for approval of a Local Network Interconnection and Traffic Exchange Agreement under Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

Interested parties may file comments concerning the petition and agreement with the Secretary, Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, P. O. Box 3265, Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265. All such Comments are due on or before 10 days after the date of publication of this notice. Copies of the Citizens Telephone Company of Kecksburg and Armstrong Telecommunications, Inc. Joint Petition are on file with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission and are available for public inspection.

Contact person is Cheryl Walker Davis, Director, Office of Special Assistants, (717) 787-1827.

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April 21, 2005

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James J. McNulty, Secretary Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission Post Office Box 3265 Harrisburg, PA 17105

- MAY 2 4 2005
- Re: Joint Petition of Citizens Telephone Company of Kecksburg and Armstrong Telecommunications, Inc. for approval of Local Wireline Network Interconnection and Traffic Exchange Agreement Under Sections 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996

Dear Mr. McNulty:

By Order entered April 15, 2005 in the above-captioned matter, the Commission approved the Interconnection Agreement. Please be advised that the original Application filed included the final executed Interconnection Agreement as an Attachment. Therefore, the requirement of Ordering Paragraph 4 has been met already. Ordering Paragraph 3 directs that a ".pdf format" of the Interconnection Agreement be filed with the Commission within thirty (30) days of entry of the Opinion and Order. Attached is the requested electronic copy of the Interconnection Agreement on diskette in .pdf format.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Should you or any member of the Commission Staff have any question or comment, please do not hesitate to contact me at your convenience.

