

BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION 1 2 **BOB STUMP** Chairman Arizona Corporation Commission **GARY PIERCE** 3 DOCKETED Commissioner **BRENDA BURNS** 4 DEC 1 8 2014 Commissioner **BOB BURNS** 5 **DOCKETED BY** Commissioner SUSAN BITTER SMITH 6 Commissioner 7 IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION DOCKET NO. T-20872A-14-0330 8 OF AT&T CORP. FOR APPROVAL OF AN DECISION NO. 74854 9 ORDER RESCINDING THE BOND REQUIREMENT CONTAINED IN ACC **ORDER** 10 DECISION NO. 73558. 11 12 Open Meeting 13 December 11 and 12, 2014 Phoenix, Arizona 14 BY THE COMMISSION: 15 16 FINDINGS OF FACT On September 11, 2014, AT&T Corp. ("AT&T" or "Applicant") submitted an 17 Application requesting rescission of the \$200,000 performance bond requirement contained in 18 19 Decision No. 73558. Background 20 On November 8, 2005, in Decision No. 68269, the Arizona Corporation Commission 21 ("Commission") ordered AT&T Communications of the Mountain States, Inc. to procure a 22. performance bond equal to \$200,000. AT&T Communications of the Mountain States, Inc. docketed 23 a notice, dated December 16, 2005, that it had procured a performance bond equal to \$200,000. 24 25 On October 17, 2012, in Decision No. 73558, the Commission approved the application

of AT&T Communications of the Mountain States, Inc. resulting in the merger of AT&T

Communications of the Mountain States, Inc. into AT&T Corp. In the same Decision, the

Commission ordered AT&T to obtain and maintain a performance bond in the amount of \$200,000.

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AT&T filed notice, dated November 16, 2012, that it had secured a performance bond in compliance 1 2 with Decision No. 73558. AT&T also delivered a Surety Rider to the Commission's Business Office updating ownership of the bond AT&T Communications of the Mountain States, Inc. had originally 3 obtained. The Business Office is in possession of this Surety Rider. 4

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According to the Corporations Division, AT&T is in good standing. The Compliance Section of the Utilities Division reports that AT&T is currently in compliance. The Consumer Services Section of the Utilities Division reports there have been no complaints or opinions about AT&T for the period of January 1, 2011 to September 16, 2014.

## Staff Recommendations

- 5. The Commission has, in appropriate circumstances, relieved telecommunications providers of the obligation to maintain a performance bond or ISDLOC. Staff recommends AT&T be relieved of the \$200,000 performance bond contained in Decision Nos. 68269 and 73558.
- The Applicant states that for its bond cancellation purposes, it is sufficient for the Commission to include in an ordering paragraph language authorizing the Applicant to cancel, rescind, discontinue and be released from the performance bond required by Decision Nos. 68269 and 73558. The Applicant also requests, based on a request from its surety company, that the ordering paragraph also reference the name of the surety company, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America. Staff believes it is appropriate to grant this request.
- AT&T indicated to Staff the Surety Rider should be released and returned to the following name and address:

Ms. Jackie Rivera Western Region Service Center 2535 E 40th Ave Suite D32 Denver, CO 80205

## **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

1. AT&T Corp. is a public service corporation within the meaning of Article XV of the Arizona Constitution.

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Docket No. T-20872A-14-0330 Page 3 The Commission has jurisdiction over AT&T Corp. and the subject matter in this 2. filing. The Commission, having reviewed the filing and Staff's Memorandum dated 3. November 25, 2014, concludes that it is in the public interest to approve the AT&T Corp. Application as proposed and discussed herein. **ORDER** IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Application of AT&T Corp. to terminate the performance bond requirement contained in Decision Nos. 68269 and 73558 be and hereby is approved. Decision No.

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COMMISSIONER

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that AT&T Corp. may cancel, rescind, discontinue and be released from any performance bond, irrevocable sight draft letter of credit or other instrument obtained in compliance with the performance bond requirement set by Decision Nos. 68269 and 73558 and may direct its surety company, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America, to do

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Surety Rider on file with the Commission on behalf of AT&T Corp. be returned to the following name and address provided by the Applicant:

> Ms. Jackie Rivera Western Region Service Center 2535 E 40th Ave Suite D32 Denver, CO 80205

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Decision shall become effective immediately.

BY THE ORDER OF THE AR	IZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, JODI JERICH, Executive Director of the Arizona Corporation Commission, have hereunto, set my hand and caused the official seal of this Commission to be affixed at the Capitol, in the City of Phoenix, this day of

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