

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of The)
Ohio Bell Telephone Company dba AT&T)
Ohio for Approval of an Alternative Form)
of Regulation of Basic Local Exchange) Case No. 08-1281-TP-BLS
Service and Other Tier 1 Services Pursuant)
to Chapter 4901:1-4, Ohio Administrative)
Code.)

ENTRY

The attorney examiner finds:

- (1) On May 6, 2010, AT&T Ohio (AT&T) moved to extend certain protective orders eighteen months, pursuant to Rules 4901-1-24(D) and 4901:1-4-09(E), Ohio Administrative Code. AT&T points out that in an Entry issued January 6, 2009, the Commission granted AT&T's motion to protect proprietary information filed by competitive local exchange carriers (CLECs) and wireless carriers. AT&T relied upon proprietary information from CLECs and wireless carriers in its application and pleadings in this proceeding. AT&T calculated that the order issued on January 6, 2009, will expire July 6, 2010.

In support of its motion for a protective order, AT&T contends that the CLEC and wireless carrier information remains proprietary, is competitively sensitive, and merits continued protection as trade secrets. Moreover, AT&T points out that in its interconnection agreements with CLECs and wireless carriers there are provisions that obligate AT&T to maintain confidentiality for an unlimited time. AT&T states that the information that it seeks to protect reveals the presence of CLEC and wireless providers and CLEC market share in AT&T exchanges. The information also includes CLEC line counts and other CLEC and wireless carrier presence indicators in an exchange-specific format.

AT&T acknowledges that the information is no longer the most current. Nevertheless, CLECs and wireless carriers still regard the information as proprietary, trade secret material that meets the criteria for a protective order.

- (2) On May 7, 2010, counsel for Sage Telecom, Inc. (Sage) filed a letter supporting AT&T's motion to extend the protective order. Sage explained that it still regards the information under seal as trade secret material.
- (3) The motion for a protective order is reasonable and should be continued. Accordingly, the Docketing Division should maintain under seal for 18 months from July 6, 2010, all documents and pleadings filed by AT&T that are currently under seal in this proceeding.

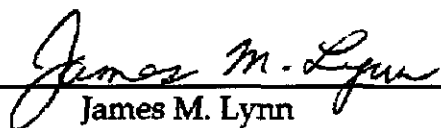
It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That the motion for a protective order is granted in accordance with Finding (3). It is, further,

ORDERED, That the Docketing Division should maintain under seal for 18 months from July 6, 2010, all documents that AT&T currently has under seal in this proceeding. It is, further,

ORDERED, That a copy of this entry be served upon all parties and interested persons of record.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO



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Secretary