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<b>APPLICATION OF SOUTHWESTERN</b>	<b>§</b>	<b>PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION</b>
<b>BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY, LLC</b>	<b>§</b>	
<b>DBA AT&amp;T TEXAS TO AMEND ITS</b>	<b>§</b>	<b>OF TEXAS</b>
<b>CERTIFICATE OF OPERATING</b>	<b>§</b>	
<b>AUTHORITY</b>	<b>§</b>	

**COMMISSION STAFF’S RECOMMENDATION ON FINAL DISPOSITION**

On April 17, 2025, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, LLC dba AT&T Texas (AT&T Texas), filed an application in accordance with PURA<sup>1</sup> and 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 26.111 to amend its certificate of operating authority (COA). AT&T Texas seeks the amendment realign the serving area boundary between AT&T Texas’ Richmond-Rosenberg Exchange and Valley Lodge Exchange in order to better serve the entire Candela Development from the Richmond-Rosenberg Exchange. On April 21, 2025, and April 28, 2025, AT&T Texas filed supplemental information.

On April 22, 2025, the administrative law judge (ALJ) filed Order No. 1, directing the Staff (Staff) of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) to file a request for hearing or a final recommendation by June 3, 2025. Therefore, this pleading is timely filed.

**I. RECOMMENDATION ON FINAL DISPOSITION**

Staff has reviewed the supplemented application and, as supported by the attached memoranda of Jaspinder Singh of the Infrastructure Division and Ethan Blanchard of the Rate Regulation Division, recommends that the application provides the information required under 16 TAC § 26.111. Therefore, Staff recommends approval of the application.

**II. CONCLUSION**

For the reasons specified in the attached memoranda, Staff respectfully recommends that the application be approved.

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<sup>1</sup> Public Utility Regulatory Act, Tex. Util. Code Ann. §§ 11.001-66.016 (PURA).

Dated: June 3, 2025

Respectfully submitted,

**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS  
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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that unless otherwise ordered by the presiding officer, notice of the filing of this document will be provided to all parties of record via electronic mail on June 3, 2025 in accordance with the Second Order Suspending Rules, issued in Project No. 50664.

/s/ Brett Adamie  
Brett Adamie

# *Public Utility Commission of Texas*

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## **Memorandum**

**TO:** Brett Adamie, Attorney  
Legal Division

**FROM:** Jaspinder Singh, Engineering Specialist  
Infrastructure Division

**DATE:** June 3, 2025

**RE:** Docket No. 57984 – *Application of Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, LLC dba AT&T Texas to Amend Its Certificate of Operating Authority*

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### **BACKGROUND**

On April 17, 2025, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Texas (AT&T Texas) filed an application to amend its Certificate of Operating Authority (COA) No. 50038 to reflect a minor boundary amendment to realign the service area boundary between AT&T Texas' Richmond-Rosenberg Exchange and Valley Lodge Exchange, pursuant to 16 Texas Administrative Code § 26.111(i) (TAC). This amendment will include a new section of Candela Development to be located near 26631 Candela Heights Drive, Richmond, TX 77406.

AT&T Texas filed a letter signed by Javier Rodriguez, Area Manager-Regulatory Relations, dated April 17, 2025, in which Mr. Rodriguez stated that AT&T Texas is the only COA holder being impacted by this application request. Therefore, concurrence is not required under 16 TAC § 26.101(e)(2). Staff's review of the application requirements confirms there is no requirement of consent from a neighboring COA holder. According to 16 TAC § 26.111(i)(4), applicant must provide a provide a copy of the amendment application or notice to the Texas Commission on State Emergency Communications (CSEC) and to the affected 9-1-1 entities. On April 30, 2025, Mr. Rodriguez filed a copy of the proof of notification to the affected 9-1-1 entities and the CSEC.

### **COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS**

**Filing** — AT&T Texas' application meets the requirements of 16 TAC § 26.111(i).

**Reason for Request** — To incorporate an adjacent subdivision development into AT&T Texas' service territory. The proposed changes will give customers within the affected service area the option to subscribe to AT&T Texas local exchange telecommunications service.

**Affected Entities** — This amendment does not impact any current customers.

**Customer Notice** — Because there are no affected customers or COA holder other than AT&T Texas, no customer notice or consent is required.

**Technical Qualifications** — No changes are being made to AT&T Texas' previously, approved qualifications to provide service.

**Other Factors** — This change in service area boundary is not expected to have any effect on telecommunication privacy issues, improvements of service or lowering of cost to consumers in the area, environmental integrity, historical and aesthetic values, recreational and park areas, and community values.

### **CONCLUSION**

Based on the information provided by AT&T Texas and my review and analysis of the application filed, Staff recommends granting the amendment to AT&T Texas' COA No. 50038. No parties have filed any objection to the proposed change in service area. Therefore, Staff recommends that the Commission approve this application to amend AT&T Texas' COA No. 50038.

# ***Public Utility Commission of Texas***

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## **Memorandum**

TO: Brett Adamie  
Legal Division

FROM: Ethan Blanchard  
Rate Regulation Division

DATE: June 3, 2025

RE: Docket No. 57984 – *Application of Southwestern Bell Telephone Company dba AT&T Texas to Amend its Certificate of Operating Authority*

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On April 17, 2025, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company dba AT&T Texas (AT&T Texas) filed an application to amend its certificate of operating authority (COA), No. 50038, to reflect a change in the geographic scope of the COA. This memo addresses the financial qualifications requirements of 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 26.111(f).

AT&T Texas has provided an unaudited balance sheet which demonstrates compliance with 16 TAC § 26.111(f)(1).<sup>1</sup> Additionally, AT&T Texas has provided an affidavit as required by 16 TAC § 26.111(f)(3).<sup>2</sup> Consequently, I recommend that the application be approved from a financial perspective.

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<sup>1</sup> Docket No. 57984 – Application of Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, LLC DBA AT&T Texas to Amend Its Certificate of Operating Authority at 7, AIS item no. 2 (Apr. 21, 2025).

<sup>2</sup> *Id.* at 4.