

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Joint Application of)
Cincinnati Bell Telephone Company And) Case No. 99-1496-TP-UNC
Cincinnati Bell Long Distance For a Waiver of)
Certain of the Commission's Local Service)
Guidelines.)

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COMMENTS OF
TELEPHONE SERVICE COMPANY AND TSC COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

TELEPHONE SERVICE COMPANY and TSC COMMUNICATIONS, INC. hereby
submit their Comments in response to the Commission's Entry of January 11, 2000 herein.

Telephone Service Company is a local exchange telephone company that has served
Wapakoneta and environs for more than 100 years. TSC Communications, Inc. is an affiliate of
Telephone Service Company that has sought certification to provide competitive local exchange
telephone service in Case No. 99-1295-TP-COI. TSC Communications, Inc. has not heretofore
sought authority to provide local exchange service within the serving area of Telephone Service
Company; likewise, other than through its affiliate TSC Communications, Inc., Telephone
Service Company has not sought authority to provide local exchange service outside of the
Wapakoneta and Cridersville Exchanges.

Neither Telephone Service Company nor TSC Communications, Inc. takes a position
concerning the merits of the relief sought by Cincinnati Bell Telephone Company and Cincinnati
Bell Long Distance in this case. Nonetheless, if the relief requested by the Joint Applicants is
granted, Telephone Service Company and TSC Communications, Inc. submit that such a result
should be applied equally to other carriers similarly situated, and that the Commission should

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both invite and entertain such "me-too" applications. In the evolving competitive environment, Commission policy and remedy must remain uniform, and the relief sought in this case (as well as in Case No. 99-1544-TP-UNC and 99-1584-TP-AAC) should be considered and applied uniformly as well.

Respectfully submitted,

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