### The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio TELECOMMUNICATIONS APPLICATION FORM for

### **DETARIFFING AND RELATED ACTIONS**

Per the Commission's 09/19/07 "Implementation Order" in Case No. 06-1345-TP-ORD (Effective: 10/01/2007 through 04/01/2008)

In the Matter of the Application of <u>Tri-M Communications</u> ,	TRF Docket No. 90- <u>6185-CT-</u>	<u>-TRF</u>
Inc., d/b/a TMC Communications	Case No.08-694 - <b>TP</b> - <b>AT</b>	4
to Detariff Certain Tier 2 Services and make other changes	NOTE: Unless you have reserved a	
related to the Implementation of Case No. 06-1345-TP-ORD	fields BLANK.	
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#### Part I - Tariffs

Please indicate the Carrier Type and the reason for submitting this form by checking the boxes below.

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Carrier Type	<u> </u>	✓ CLEC	☐ CTS
Business Tier 2 Services			
Residential & Business Toll Services		✓	
Other Changes required by Rule (Describe in detail in Exhibit C)			

### Part II - Exhibits

Note that the following exhibits are required for all filings using this form.

Included	Identified As:	Description of Required Exhibit:	
<b>√</b>	Exhibit A	The existing affected tariff pages.	
	Exhibit B	The proposed revised tariff pages.	
<b>√</b>	Exhibit C	Matrix or narrative summarizing all changes proposed in the application, and/or	
		other information intended to assist Staff in the review of the Application.	
✓	Exhibit D	Explanation of how the Applicant intends to comply with Rule 4901:1-6-	
		05(G)(3) regarding disclosure of rates, terms, and conditions for detariffed	
		services, including:	
		• citation to the appropriate Web Page if any, in accordance with rule 4901:1-6-05(G)(4), and/or	
		• copy of other materials and publications to be used to comply with 4901:1-6-05(G)(3).	
✓	Exhibit E	One-time customer notice of detariffing and related changes consistent with rule	
		4901:1-06-16(B), including where customers may find the information	
		regarding such services as required by rule 4901:1-6-05(G)(3).	
✓	Exhibit F	Affidavit that the Customer Notice described in Exhibit C has been sent to	
		Customers.	

#### **AFFIDAVIT**

### Compliance with Commission Rules and Service Standards

 $I \ am \ an \ officer/agent \ of \ the \ applicant \ corporation, \underbrace{Tri-M \ Communications, Inc.}_{(Name)} \qquad , \ and \ am \ authorized \ to \ make \ this \ statement \ on \ its \ behalf.$ 

I attest that these tariffs comply with all applicable rules, including the Minimum Telephone Service Standards (MTSS) Pursuant to Chapter 4901:1-5 OAC for the state of Ohio. I understand that tariff notification filings do not imply Commission approval and that the Commission's rules, including the Minimum Telephone Service Standards, as modified and clarified from time to time, supersede any contradictory provisions in our tariff. We will fully comply with the rules of the state of Ohio and understand that noncompliance can result in various penalties, including the suspension of our certificate to operate within the state of Ohio.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on (Date) June 11, 2008

at (Location)San Francisco, California

\*(Signature and Title) <u>Attorney for Tri-M</u> Communications, Inc.

(Date) June 11, 2008

This affidavit is required for every tariff-affecting filing. It may be signed by counsel or an officer of the applicant, or an authorized agent of the
applicant.

#### **VERIFICATION**

#### I, Glenn Stover

verify that I have utilized the Telecommunications Application Form for Detariffing and Related Actions provided by the Commission and that all of the information submitted here, and all additional information submitted in connection with this case, is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

\*(Signature and Title) \_\_\_\_\_\_ Attorney for Tri-M Communications, Inc. (Date) June 11, 2008

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Send your completed Application Form, including all required attachments as well as the required number of copies, to:

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio Attention: Docketing Division 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, OH 43215-3793

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Make such filing electronically as directed in Case No 06-900-AU-WVR

### **EXHIBIT A**

("the existing affected tariff pages")

Attached please find a copy of TMC's Ohio long-distance tariff, which this Application seeks to cancel and replace with the Service Catalog found as part of Exhibit D, below.

### TITLE SHEET

### **OHIO TELECOMMUNICATIONS TARIFF**

This tariff contains the descriptions, regulations, and rates applicable to the furnishing of service or facilities for Telecommunications Services furnished by TRI-M COMMUNICATIONS, INC. d/b/a TMC Communications ("TRI-M"), with principal offices at 125 E. De La Guerra, #201, Santa Barbara, California 93101. This tariff applies for services furnished within the State of Ohio. This tariff is on file with the Ohio Public Utilities Commission, and copies may be inspected, during normal business hours, at the company's principal place of business.

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#### **CHECK SHEET**

The Sheets of this tariff are effective as of the date shown at the bottom of the respective sheet(s). Original and revised sheets as named below comprise all changes from the original tariff and are currently in effect as of the date on the bottom of this sheet.

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### TARIFF FORMAT

- A. Sheet Numbering: Sheet numbers appear in the upper right corner of the page. Sheets are numbered sequentially. However, new sheets are occasionally added to the tariff. When a new sheet is added between sheets already in effect, a decimal is added. For example, a new sheet added between pages 11 and 12 would be page 11.1.
- B. Sheet Revision Numbers: Revision numbers also appear in the upper right corner of each sheet where applicable. These numbers are used to indicate the most current page version on file with the Commission. For example, 4th Revised Sheet 13 cancels 3rd Revised Sheet 13. Consult the Check Sheet for the sheets currently in effect.
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### **SYMBOLS**

The following are the only symbols used for the purposes indicated below:

- (C) to signify change in regulation
- (D) to signify a deletion
- (I) to signify a rate increase
- (L) to signify material relocated in the tariff
- (N) to signify a new rate or regulation
- (R) to signify a rate reduction
- (T) to signify a change in text, but no change in rate or regulation

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#### SECTION 1 - TECHNICAL TERMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

Access Line - An arrangement from a local exchange telephone company or other common carrier, using either dedicated or switched access, which connects a Customer's location to the Company's location or switching center.

<u>Authorization Code</u> - A numerical code, one or more of which may be assigned to a Customer, to enable the Company to identify the origin of the Customer so it may rate and bill the call. Automatic number identification (ANI) is used as the authorization code wherever possible.

Commission - Used throughout this tariff to mean the Ohio Public Utilities Commission.

<u>Customer</u> - The person, firm, corporation or other legal entity which orders the services of the Company or purchases a Company Prepaid Calling Card and/or originates prepaid calls using such cards, and is responsible for the payment of charges and for compliance with the Company's tariff regulations.

Company or TRI-M- Used throughout this tariff to mean TRI-M COMMUNICATIONS, INC. d/b/a TMC Communications, a California Corporation.

<u>Dedicated Access</u> - The Customer gains entry to the Company's services by a direct path from the Customer's location to the Company's point of presence

<u>Prepaid Account</u> - An inventory of Telecom Units purchased in advance by the Customer, and associated with one and only one Authorization Code as contained in a specific Prepaid Calling Card.

<u>Prepaid Calling Card</u> - A card issued by the Company, containing an Authorization Code which identifies a specific Prepaid Account of Telecom Units, which enables calls to be processed, account activity to be logged, and balances to be maintained, on a prepayment basis.

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### TRI-M COMMUNICATIONS, INC. D/B/A TMC COMMUNICATIONS ORIGINAL SHEET 7 PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO TARIFF NO. 1

Resp. Org – Responsible Organization or entity identified by a Toll-Free service Customer that manages and administers records in the toll free number database and management system.

<u>Switched Access</u> - The Customer gains entry to the Company's services by a transmission line that is switched through the local exchange carrier to reach the Company's point of presence.

<u>Telecom Unit</u> - A measurement of telecommunications service equivalent to one minute of usage between any two points within the State of Ohio.

<u>Telecommunications</u> - The transmission of voice communications or, subject to the transmission capabilities of the services, the transmission of data, facsimile, signaling, metering, or other similar communications.

<u>Underlying Carrier</u> - The telecommunications carrier whose network facilities provide the technical capability and capacity necessary for the transmission and reception of Customer telecommunications traffic.

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#### **SECTION 2 - RULES AND REGULATIONS**

#### 2.1 Undertaking of the Company

This tariff contains the regulations and rates applicable to intrastate interexchange telecommunications services provided by the Company for telecommunications between points within the State of Ohio. All terms and conditions herein will comply with Ohio Minimum Telephone Service Standards. Services are furnished subject to the availability of facilities and subject to the terms and conditions of this tariff in compliance with limitations set forth in the Commission' rules. The Company's services are provided on a statewide basis and are not intended to be limited geographically. The Company offers service to all those who desire to purchase service from the Company consistent with all of the provisions of this tariff. Customers interested in the Company's services shall file a service application with the Company which fully identifies the Customer, the services requested and other information requested by the Company. The Company may act as the Customer's agent for ordering access connection facilities provided by other carriers or entities when authorized by the Customer, to allow connection of a Customer's location to a service provided by the Company. The Customer shall be responsible for all charges due for such service arrangement.

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- 2.1.1 The services provided by the Company are not part of a joint undertaking with any other entity providing telecommunications channels, facilities, or services, but may involve the resale of the Message Toll Services (MTS) and Wide Area Telecommunications Services (WATS) of underlying common carriers subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission.
- 2.1.2 The rates and regulations contained in this tariff apply only to the services furnished by the Company and do not apply, unless otherwise specified, to the lines, facilities, or services provided by a local exchange telephone company or other common carriers for use in accessing the services of the Company.

#### 2.2 Use of Services

- The Company's services may be used for any lawful purpose consistent with the 2.2.1 transmission and switching parameters of the telecommunications facilities utilized in the provision of services, subject to any limitations set forth in this Section 2.2.
- The use of the Company's services to make calls which might reasonably be 2.2.2 expected to frighten, abuse, torment, or harass another or in such a way as to unreasonably interfere with use by others is prohibited.
- The use of the Company's services without payment for service or attempting to 2.2.3 avoid payment for service by fraudulent means or devices, schemes, false or invalid numbers, or false calling or credit cards is prohibited.

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- 2.2.4 The Company's services are available for use 24 hours per day, 7 days per week.
- 2.2.5 The Company does not transmit messages, but the services may be used for that purpose.
- 2.2.6 The Company's services may be denied for nonpayment in compliance with Ohio MTSS Rule 17.
- 2.2.7 Customers shall not use the service provided under this tariff for any unlawful purpose.
- 2.2.8 The Customer shall immediately notify the Company of any unauthorized use of services.

#### 2.3 Liability of the Company

2.3.1 The Company shall not be liable for, and shall be fully indemnified and held harmless by the Customer against any claim, loss, expense, or damage for defamation, libel, slander, invasion, infringement of copyright or patent, unauthorized use of any trademark, trade name or service mark, proprietary or creative right, or any other injury to any person, property or entity arising out of the material, data or information transmitted.

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- 2.3.2 No agent or employee of any other carrier or entity shall be deemed to be an agent or employee of the Company.
- 2.3.3 Unless caused by the negligence or willful misconduct of the company, its liability for damages, resulting in whole or in part from or arising in connection with the furnishing of service under this tariff, including but not limited to mistakes, omissions, interruptions, delays, errors, or other defects or misrepresentations shall not exceed an amount equal to the charges provided for under this tariff for the long distance call for the period during which the call was affected.
- 2.3.4 Unless caused by the negligence or willful misconduct of the company, it shall not be liable for any and all loss, claims, demands, suits, or other action or any liability whatsoever, whether suffered, made, instituted, or asserted by any Customer or any other entity for any personal injury to, or death of, any person or persons, and for any loss, damage, defacement or destruction of the premises of any Customer.
- 2.3.5 The Company shall not be liable for any indirect, special, incidental, or consequential damages under this tariff including, but not limited to, loss of revenue or profits, for any reason whatsoever, including the breakdown of facilities associated with the service, or for any mistakes, omissions, delays, errors, or defects in transmission occurring during the course of furnishing service.

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### TRI-M COMMUNICATIONS, INC. D/B/A TMC COMMUNICATIONS ORIGINAL SHEET 12 PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO TARIFF NO. 1

2.3.6 The remedies set forth herein are exclusive and in lieu of all other warranties and remedies, whether express, implied, or statutory, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE.

### 2.4 Responsibilities of the Customer

- 2.4.1 The Customer is responsible for placing any necessary orders and complying with tariff regulations. The Customer is also responsible for the payment of charges for services provided under this tariff.
- 2.4.2 The Customer is responsible for charges incurred for special construction and/or special facilities which the Customer requests and which are ordered by the Company on the Customer's behalf.
- 2.4.3 If required for the provision of the Company's services, the Customer must provide any equipment space, supporting structure, conduit and electrical power without charge to the Company.
- 2.4.4 The Customer is responsible for arranging access to its premises at times mutually agreeable to the Company and the Customer when required for Company personnel to install, repair, maintain, program, inspect or remove equipment associated with the provision of the Company's services.
- 2.4.5 The Customer shall cause the temperature and relative humidity in the equipment space provided by Customer for the installation of the Company's equipment to be maintained within the range normally provided for the operation of microcomputers.

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- The Customer shall ensure that the equipment and/or system is properly 2.4.6 interfaced with the Company's facilities or services, that the signals emitted into the Company's network are of the proper mode, bandwidth, power and signal level for the intended use of the subscriber and in compliance with criteria set forth in this tariff, and that the signals do not damage equipment, injure personnel, or degrade service to other Customers. If the Federal Communications Commission or some other appropriate certifying body certifies terminal equipment as being technically acceptable for direct electrical connection with interstate communications service, the Company will permit such equipment to be connected with its channels without the use of protective interface devices. If the Customer fails to maintain the equipment and/or the system properly, with resulting imminent harm to Company equipment, personnel or the quality of service to other Customers, the Company may, upon 10 days' written notice, require the use of protective equipment at the Customer's expense. If this fails to produce satisfactory quality and safety, the Company may, upon 10 days' written notice, terminate the Customer's service in compliance with Ohio MTSS Rule 17.
- 2.4.7 The Customer must pay the Company for replacement or repair of damage to the equipment or facilities of The Company caused by negligence or willful act of the Customer or others, by improper use of the services, or by use of equipment provided by Customer or others.
- 2.4.8 The Customer must pay for the loss through theft of any Company equipment installed at Customer's premises.

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- 2.4.9 If the Company installs equipment at Customer's premises, the Customer shall be responsible for payment of any applicable installation charge.
- 2.4.10 The Customer must use the services offered in this tariff in a manner consistent with the terms of this tariff and the policies and regulations of all state, federal and local authorities having jurisdiction over the service.

### 2.5 <u>Cancellation or Interruption of Services</u>

Cancellation or interruption of services practices will be in accordance with the Minimum Telephone Service Standards, Section 4901:1-5-17.

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### 2.6 <u>Credit Allowance</u>

- 2.6.1 Credit allowance for the interruption of service which is not due to the Company's testing or adjusting, negligence of the Customer, or to the failure of channels or equipment provided by the Customer, are subject to the general liability provisions set forth in 2.3 herein. It shall be the obligation of the Customer to notify the Company immediately of any interruption in service for which a credit allowance is desired. Before giving such notice, the Customer shall ascertain that the trouble is not being caused by any action or omission by the Customer within his control, or is not in wiring or equipment, if any, furnished by the Customer and connected to the Company's facilities.
- 2.6.2 No credit is allowed in the event that service must be interrupted in order to provide routine service quality or related investigations.
- 2.6.3 Credit for failure of service shall be allowed only when such failure is caused by or occurs due to causes within the control of the Company or in the event that the Company is entitled to a credit for the failure of the facilities of the Company's Underlying Carrier used to furnish service.
- 2.6.4 Credit for interruption shall commence after the Customer notifies the Company of the interruption or when the Company becomes aware thereof, and ceases when service has been restored.
- 2.6.5 For purposes of credit computation, every month shall be considered to have 720 hours.

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- 2.6.6 No credit shall be allowed for an interruption of a continuous duration of less than two hours.
- 2.6.7 The Customer shall be credited for an interruption of two hours or more at the rate of 1/720th of the monthly charge for the facilities affected for each hour or major fraction thereof that the interruption continues.

Credit Formula:

 $Credit = \underline{A} \times B$  720

"A" - outage time in hours

"B" - monthly charge for affected activity

### 2.7 Restoration of Service

The use and restoration of service shall be in accordance with the priority system specified in part 64, Subpart D of the Rules and Regulations of the Federal Communications Commission.

#### 2.8 Deposit

The Company does not require deposits to commence service.

### 2.9 Advance Payments

The Company does not require advance payments.

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### 2.10 Payment and Billing

Payment and billing practices will be in compliance with the Minimum Telephone Service Standards, Section 4901:1-5-15 and 4901:1-5-17.

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## TRI-M COMMUNICATIONS, INC. D/B/A TMC COMMUNICATIONS ORIGINAL SHEET 18 PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO TARIFF NO. 1

### 2.11 Reserved For Future Use

### 2.12 Reserved For Future Use

### 2.13 Late Charge

A late fee of 1.5% monthly or the amount otherwise authorized by law, whichever is lower, will be charged on any past due balances. Late payment fees should not include interest on previously charged late payment fees. The late payment charge will not be applied to previous late payment charges that have been assessed but not yet paid for, but will apply to the accumulated services for which the customer is in arrears. Late payment charges will be applied without discrimination.

### 2.14 Returned Check Charge

A fee will be charged whenever a check or draft presented for payment for service is not accepted by the institution on which it is written. The Company may waive the returned check charge under appropriate circumstances.

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### 2.15 Reconnection Charge

A reconnection fee of \$25.00 per occurrence will be charged when service is reestablished for Customers which have been disconnected due to non-payment.

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### **SECTION 3 - DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE**

### 3.1 Computation of Charges

- 3.1.1 The total charge for each completed call may be a variable measured charge dependent on the duration, distance and time of day of the call. The total charge for each completed call may also be dependent only on the duration of the call, i.e. a statewide flat rate per minute charge. The variable measured charge is specified as a rate per minute which is applied to each minute. All calls are measured in increments as set forth in the Rates Section of this tariff. Fractions of a billing increment are rounded up to a full billing increment on a per call basis. Fractions of a cent per minute are rounded up to a full cent on a per call basis.
- 3.1.2 Where mileage bands appear in a rate table, rates for all calls are based upon the airline distance between the originating and terminating points of the call, as determined by the vertical and horizontal coordinates associated with the exchange (the area code and three digit central office code) associated with the originating and terminating telephone numbers. If the Customer obtains access to the Company's network by a dedicated access circuit, that circuit will be assigned an exchange for rating purposes based upon the Customer's main telephone number at the location where the dedicated access circuit terminates. The vertical and horizontal (V & H) coordinates for each exchange and the airline distance between them will be determined according to industry standards.

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3.1.3 Timing begins when the called station is answered and two way communication is possible, as determined by standard industry methods generally in use for ascertaining answer, including hardware answer supervision in which the local telephone company sends a signal to the switch or the software utilizing audio tone detection. Recognition of answer supervision is the responsibility of the Underlying Carrier. Timing for each call ends when either party hangs up. The Company will not bill for uncompleted calls.

### 3.2 Customer Complaints and/or Billing Disputes

Customer inquiries or complaints regarding service or accounting may be made in writing or by telephone at any time to the Company at:

125 E. De La Guerra, #201 Santa Barbara, California 93101 (888) 965-8620

OR

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio 180 E. Broad Street Columbus, Ohio 43215 (800) 686-PUCO (7826)

Any objection to billed charges should be reported promptly to the Company. Adjustments to Customers' bills shall be made to the extent that records are available and/or circumstances exist which reasonably indicate that such charges are not in accordance with approved rates or that an adjustment may otherwise be appropriate. Where overbilling of a subscriber occurs, due either to Company or subscriber error, credit will be issued in compliance with Ohio MTSS Rule 4901:1-5-16.

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### TRI-M COMMUNICATIONS, INC. D/B/A TMC COMMUNICATIONS ORIGINAL SHEET 22 PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO TARIFF NO. 1

Any credits will be paid within two billing cycles.

If a Customer accumulates more than One Dollar of undisputed delinquent Company 800 Service charges, the Company Resp. Org. reserves the right not to honor that Customer's request for a Resp. Org. change until such undisputed charges are paid in full.

### 3.3 <u>Level of Service</u>

A Customer can expect end to end network availability of not less than 99% at all times for all services.

### 3.4 Billing Entity Conditions

When billing functions on behalf of the Company or its intermediary are performed by local exchange telephone companies or others, the payment of charge conditions and regulations of such companies and any regulations imposed upon these companies by regulatory bodies having jurisdiction apply. The Company's name and toll-free telephone number will appear on the Customer's bill.

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### 3.5 Service Offerings

### 3.5.1 1+ Dialing

This service permits Customers to originate calls via switched or dedicated access lines, and to terminate intrastate calls. The customer dials "1+" followed by "ten digits" or dials "101XXXX" followed by "1+ ten digits".

#### 3.5.2 Travel Cards.

The Customer utilizes an 11 digit "toll-free" access number established by the Company to access a terminal. Upon receiving a voice prompt, the Customer uses push button dialing to enter an identification code assigned by the Company, and the ten digit number of the called party.

### 3.5.3 Toll Free Service.

This service is inbound calling only where an 800, 888 or other toll-free prefix number rings into a Customer's premise routed to a specific telephone number or terminated over a dedicated facility.

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### 3.5.4 Company Prepaid Calling Cards.

This service permits use of Company Prepaid Calling Cards for placing long distance calls. Customers may purchase Company Prepaid Calling Cards at a variety of retail outlets or through other distribution channels. Company Prepaid Calling Card service is accessed using the Company toll-free number printed on the card. The caller is prompted by an automated voice response system to enter his/her Authorization Code, and then to enter the terminating telephone number. The Company's processor tracks the call duration on a real time basis to determine the number of Telecom Units consumed. The total consumed Telecom Units and applicable taxes for each call are deducted from the remaining Telecom Unit balance on the Customer's Company Prepaid Calling Card.

All calls must be charged against a Company Prepaid Calling Card that has a sufficient Telecom Unit balance. A Customer's call will be interrupted with an announcement when the balance is about to be depleted.

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When the balance is depleted, the Customer can either call the toll-free number on the back of the Company Prepaid Calling Card and "recharge" the balance on the card using a nationally recognized credit card, or the Customer can throw the card away and purchase a new one. Calls in progress will be terminated by the Company if the balance on the Company Prepaid Calling Card is insufficient to continue the call.

A card will expire on the date indicated on the card, or if no date is specified, 6 months from the date of purchase, or the date of last recharge, whichever is later. The Company will not refund unused balances.

A credit allowance for the Company Prepaid Calling Card Service is applicable to calls that are interrupted due to poor transmission, one-way transmission, or involuntary disconnection of a call. A Customer may also be granted credit for reaching a wrong number. To receive the proper credit, the Customer must notify the Company at the designated toll-free customer service number printed on the Company Prepaid Calling Card and furnish the called number, the trouble experienced (e.g. cut-off, noisy circuit, reached wrong number, etc.), and the approximate time that the call was placed.

When a call charged to a Company Prepaid Calling Card is interrupted due to cut-off, one-way transmission, or poor transmission conditions, the Customer will receive a credit equivalent of one Telecom Unit.

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Credit allowances for calls pursuant to Company Prepaid Card Service do not apply for interruptions not reported promptly to the Company or interruptions that are due to the failure of power, equipment or systems not provided by the Company.

Credit for failure of service shall be allowed only when such failure is caused by or occurs due to causes within the control of the Company.

The Company will block all calls beginning with the NPA "900" and NXX "976" calls, therefore such calls can not be completed.

### 3.5.5 Directory Assistance.

Access to long distance directory assistance is obtained by dialing 1 + 555-1212 for listings within the originating area code and 1 + (area code) + 555-1212 for other listings. When more than one number is requested in a single call, a charge may apply for each number requested. A charge will be applicable for each number requested, whether or not the number is listed or published.

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### 3.5.6 Specialized Pricing Arrangements.

Customized service packages and competitive pricing packages at negotiated rates may be furnished on a case-by-case basis in response to requests by Customers to the Company for proposals or for competitive bids. Service offered under this tariff provision will be provided to Customers pursuant to contract. Unless otherwise specified, the regulations for such arrangements are in addition to the applicable regulations and prices in other sections of the tariff. Specialized rates or charges will be made available to similarly situated Customers on a non-discriminatory basis. All such specialized pricing arrangements will be filed with the Commission.

### 3.5.7 Emergency Call Handling Procedures

Emergency "911" calls are not routed to company, but are completed through the local network at no charge.

### 3.5.8 Promotional Offerings

The Company may, from time to time, make promotional offerings to enhance the marketing of its services. These offerings may be limited to certain dates, times and locations. The Company will notify the Commission of such offerings as required by Commission rules and regulations. A promotional offer cannot be more than ninety days in limit in any 12 month period of time.

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#### **SECTION 4 - RATES**

### 4.1 <u>1+ & 101XXXX Dialing</u>

\$0.15 per minute

A \$4.95 per month per number service charge applies. Billed in one minute increments

### 4.2 <u>Travel Cards</u>

\$.199 per minute

A \$.25 per call service charge applies. Billed in one minute increments

### 4.3 Toll Free Service

\$0.15 per minute

A \$10.00 per month per number service charge applies. Billed in one minute increments

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4.4	Prepaid Calling Cards Program		
Α	\$.015 Per Telecom Unit		
В	\$.019 Per Telecom Unit		
С	\$.025 Per Telecom Unit		
D	\$.029 Per Telecom Unit		
E	\$.032 Per Telecom Unit		
F	\$.035 Per Telecom Unit		
G	\$.039 Per Telecom Unit		
H	\$.049 Per Telecom Unit		
I	\$.05 Per Telecom Unit		
J	\$.059 Per Telecom Unit		
K	\$.06 Per Telecom Unit		
L	\$.08 Per Telecom Unit		
M	\$.09 Per Telecom Unit		
N	\$.10 Per Telecom Unit		
0	\$.11 Per Telecom Unit		
P	\$.12 Per Telecom Unit		
Q	\$.13 Per Telecom Unit		
R	\$.14 Per Telecom Unit		
S	\$.15 Per Telecom Unit		
T	\$.19 Per Telecom Unit		
U	\$.20 Per Telecom Unit		
V	\$.25 Per Telecom Unit		
W	\$.29 Per Telecom Unit		
X	\$.30 Per Telecom Unit		
Y	\$.33 Per Telecom Unit		
Z	\$.35 Per Telecom Unit		
AA	\$.39 Per Telecom Unit		
BB	\$.40 Per Telecom Unit		
CC	\$.50 Per Telecom Unit		
DD	\$.005 Per Telecom Unit		
EE	\$.01 Per Telecom Unit		
FF	\$.07 Per Telecom Unit		

A \$.99 per call service charge applies.

A one-time maintenance fee of \$1.00 applies after the 1st call.

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### 4.5 Directory Assistance

\$.95

### 4.6 Returned Check Charge

\$25.00

4.7 Rate Periods

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	Monday - Friday	Sat.	Sun.
8 a.m. to 5 p.m.*	Daytime Rate Period		
5 p.m. to 11 p.m.*	Evening Rate Period		Evening Rate Period
11 p.m. to 8 a.m.*	Night/Weekend Rate I	Period	

<sup>\*</sup> To, but not including

When a message spans more than one rate period, total charges for the minutes in each rate period are calculated and the results for each rate period are totaled to obtain the total message charge. If the calculation results in a fractional charge, the amount will be rounded up to the higher cent.

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### 4.8 Payphone Dial Around Surcharge

A dial around surcharge of \$.50 per call will be added to any completed iNTRAstate toll access code and subscriber toll-free 800/888 type calls placed from a public or semi-public payphone.

### 4.9 Universal Service Fund Assessment & Presubscribed Interexchange Carrier Charge

The Customer will be assessed a monthly state Universal Service Fund Contribution charge on all telecommunications services, which in no event shall be less than the prevailing contribution percentage rate charged the Company on intrastate traffic by any state agency or its administrator. A Presubscribed Interexchange Carrier Charge ("PICC") applies on a monthly basis to all Customer monthly bills at the prevailing rate.

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### TELEPHONE SERVICE REQUIREMENTS FORM

The provider affirms that it is in compliance with Commission directives concerning the following checked items, and that this represents an up-to-date listing of applicable "generic" service requirements. The provider understands that this in no way supersedes the context of the applicable Commission orders described below. Unless otherwise specified, this language replaces the need for related language to be contained in the provider's tariff.

# A. <u>MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS FOR BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE AND CTS PROVIDERS (unless otherwise noted)</u>:

### [x] 1. SALES TAX (See also Case No. 87-1010-TP-UNC)

Certain telecommunication services, as defined in the Ohio Revised Code, are subject to state sales tax at the prevailing tax rates, if the services originate, or terminate in Ohio, or both, and are charged to a subscriber's telephone number or account in Ohio.

### [x] 2. MTSS TARIFF REQUIREMENTS

- [x] The provider attests that its tariffs include:
  - o provider-specific language addressing the deposit method (as cited in 4901:1-5-13) adopted by the company and approved by the Commission;
  - o Toll Caps (choose one):
    - □ language addressing the provider-specific parameters of toll caps approved by the Commission, OR
    - □ not applicable since the provider has not chosen to incorporate toll caps.
  - o language regarding establishment of service, including requirements to establish creditworthiness, as cited in 4901:1-5-13;
  - o language regarding residential service guarantors, as cited in 4901:1-5-14;
  - o language regarding subscriber bills, as cited in 4901:1-5-15;
  - o language regarding subscriber billing adjustments for local exchange service, as cited in 4901:1-5-16; and,

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o language regarding denial or disconnection of local and/or toll service, including the requirements for the reconnection of local and/or toll service, as cited in 4901:1-5-17.

Check the boxes below to attest that the provider shall adhere to the following criteria when the provider implements cancellation of service policies and/or requests an advance payment:

### X Cancellation of Service:

When a customer cancels an application for service prior to the start of service or prior to any special construction, no charges will be imposed except for those specified below:

Where the company has notified a customer or prospective customer of the possibility that special expenses may be incurred in connection with provisioning the customer's service, and then the company does incur such expenses. Expenses could include special construction, or where special arrangements of facilities or equipment have begun before the company received a cancellation notice. The charge will be equal to the costs actually incurred, less net salvage;

### X Advance Payment:

Advance Payment means a payment that may be required by the company as a means of being compensated for extraordinary expenses, including, but not limited to, special construction costs associated with a particular service installation.

### [x] 3. SURCHARGES

The company shall not assess separately any taxes, fees or surcharges, other than government-approved sales taxes imposed directly on the end users, without seeking Commission approval under the appropriate procedures required by the Commission. Generally, the Commission will not grant the inclusion of gross receipts tax as a separate item on the bill unless special circumstances so warrant and the Commission specifically approves same. The company shall not place a separate line item on a customer's bill without sending notice to all customers informing them of the new line item charges in accordance with Commission-adopted notice procedures.

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## [ ] 4. 1+ INTRALATA PRESUBSCRIPTION - Basic Local Exchange Providers Only (See Also Case No. 95-845-TP-COI, Guideline X.)

#### a. General

IntraLATA Presubscription is a procedure whereby a subscriber designates to the Telephone Company the carrier which the subscriber wishes to be the carrier of choice for intraLATA toll calls. Such calls are automatically directed to the designated carrier, without the need to use carrier access codes or additional dialing to direct the call to the designated carrier. IntraLATA presubscription does not prevent a subscriber who has presubscribed to an intraLATA toll carrier from using carrier access codes or additional dialing to direct calls to an alternative intraLATA toll carrier on a per call basis.

IntraLATA Presubscription will become effective upon the initial offering of certified local exchange service.

## b. IntraLATA Presubscription Options

Option A: Subscriber may select the Telephone Company as the presubscribed carrier for intraLATA toll calls subject to presubscription.

Option B: Subscriber may select her/his interLATA toll carrier as the presubscribed carrier for intraLATA toll calls subject to presubscription.

Option C: Subscriber may select a carrier other than the Telephone Company or the subscriber's interLATA toll carrier as the presubscribed carrier for intraLATA toll calls subject to presubscription.

Option D; Subscriber may select no presubscribed carrier for intraLATA toll calls subject to presubscription which will require the subscriber to dial a carrier access code to route all intraLATA toll calls

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to the carrier of choice for each call.

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Subscribers of record will retain their current dialing arrangements until they request that their dialing arrangements be changed.

Subscribers of record or new subscribers may select either Options A, B, C, or D for intraLATA Presubscription.

Subscribers may change their selected Option and/or their presubscribed intraLATA toll carrier at any time subject to charges specified in Paragraph E, below.

#### IntraLATA Presubscription Procedures

New subscribers will be asked to select an intraLATA toll carrier(s) at the time the subscriber places an order to establish local exchange service with the Telephone Company. The Telephone Company will process the subscriber's order for intraLATA service. The selected carrier(s) will confirm their respective subscribers' verbal selection by third-party verification or return written confirmation notices. All new subscribers' initial requests for intraLATA toll service presubscripion shall be provided free of charge.

If a new subscriber is unable to make a selection at the time the new subscriber places an order to establish local exchange service, the Telephone Company will read a random listing of all available intraLATA carriers to aid the subscriber in selection. If selection is still not possible, the Telephone Company will inform the subscriber that he/she will be given 90 calendar days in which to inform the Telephone Company of an intraLATA toll carrier presubscription selection free of charge. Until the subscriber informs the Telephone Company of his/her choice for intraLATA toll carrier, the subscriber will not have a presubscribed intraLATA toll carrier, but rather will be required to dial a carrier access code to route all intraLATA toll calls to the carrier(s) of choice. Subscribers who inform the Telephone Company of a choice for intraLATA toll presubscription within the 90-day period will not be assessed a service charge for the initial subscriber request.

Subscribers of record may initiate an intraLATA presubscription change at any time subject to the charges specified in e.ii. below. If a customer of record inquires of the Telephone Company of the carriers available for intraLATA toll presubscription, the Telephone Company will read a random listing of all available intraLATA carriers to aid the subscriber in selection.

#### e. IntraLATA Presubscription Charges

Application of Charges

After a subscriber's initial selection for a presubscribed intraLATA toll carrier and as detailed in Paragraph D above, for any change thereafter, an IntraLATA Presubscription Change Charge, as set forth in Paragraph E.2. will apply.

ii. Nonrecurring Charges IntraLATA Presubscription Change Charge

Per business or residence line, trunk, or port:

-- Initial line, trunk, or port

\$5.00

Additional line, trunk, or port

\$1.50

# B. <u>REQUIREMENTS FOR PROVISION OF CERTAIN SERVICES, OR WHERE CERTAIN CONDITIONS OF SERVICE ARE UTILIZED (check all applicable):</u>

X 1. DISCOUNTS FOR PERSONS WITH COMMUNICATION DISABILITIES AND THE TELECOMMUNICATION RELAY SERVICE

Applicable to all telephone companies offering message toll service (MTS) (See also Case Nos. 87-206-TP-COI and 91-113-TP-COI):

- a. For purposes of these requirements, the definition of disabled refers to those persons with communication disabilities, including those hearing-disabled, deaf, deaf/blind, and speech-disabled persons who have a disability that prevents them from communicating over the telephone without the aid of a telecommunications device for the communicatively disabled.
- b. Residential disabled customers or disabled members of a customer's household, upon written application and upon certification of their disabled status, which is evidenced by either a certificate from a physician, health care official, state agency, or a diploma from an accredited educational institution for the disabled, are eligible to receive a discount off their MTS rates, and, if they utilize telebraille devices, they are eligible to receive free access to local and intrastate long distance directory assistance. Additionally, TDD lines maintained by non-profit organizations and governmental agencies, upon written application and verification that such lines are maintained for the benefit of the disabled, are eligible to receive a discount off their MTS rates.

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- c. Upon receipt of the appropriate application, and certification or verification or a person with a communication disability, one of the following discounts shall be made available for the benefit of the disabled person:
  - i. Off the basic MTS, current, price list day rates: a 40 percent discount off the intrastate, interexchange, customer-dialed, station-to-station calls occurring between 8:00 a.m. and 4:59 p.m. Monday through Friday; a 60 percent discount off the intrastate, interexchange, customer-dialed, station-to-station calls occurring between 5:00 p.m. and 10:59 p.m. Sunday through Friday, and New Year's Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas; and a 70 percent discount off the intrastate, interexchange, customer-dialed, station-to-station calls occurring between 11:00 p.m. and 7:59 a.m. any day, 8:00 a.m. and 4:59 p.m. Sunday, and all day Saturday; or
  - ii. Off the basic MTS, current, price list day rates: no less than a straight 70 percent discount shall be made available on a 24 hour a day basis; or
  - iii.For MTS which is offered similar to the mileage-banded rate structure established in the Commission's April 9, 1985 Opinion and Order in Case No. 84-944-TP-COI, with the traditional day, evening, and night/weekend discounts: the "evening" discount interexchange, intrastate, customer-dialed, station-tostation calls placed during the "day" period Monday through Friday; and the "night/ weekend" discount off the intrastate, interexchange, customer-dialed, station-to-station during the "evening" period Sunday through calls placed Friday, and on New Year's Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas. Furthermore, the "night/ weekend" discount plus an additional discount equivalent to no less than ten percent of the company's current, price list, "day" rates for basic MTS shall be made available for intrastate, interexchange, customer-dialed, station-to-station calls placed during the "night/weekend" period any day, the "day" period Sunday, and all day Saturday.
- d. All MTS calls placed through the telecommunication relay service (TRS) are eligible to receive a discount off the MTS rates. The rate discounts are the same as those set forth in paragraph 1.c. preceding. The discount shall not apply to sponsor charges associated with calls placed to pay-per-call services, such as 900, 976, or 900-like calls.

#### X 2. EMERGENCY SERVICES CALLING PLAN

Applicable to all CLECs and CTSs offering MTS (See also Case Nos. 85-1466-TP-COI and 89-54-TP-COI):

Message toll telephone calls to governmental emergency service agencies, as set forth in (a) following, having primary or principal responsibility with respect to the provision of emergency services to persons and property in the area from which the call is made, meeting the definition and criteria of an emergency call as set forth in (b) following, are offered at no charge to customers:

- a. Governmental fire fighting, Ohio State Highway Patrol, police, and emergency squad service (as designated by the appropriate governmental agency) qualify as governmental emergency service agencies provided they answer emergency service calls on a personally attended (live) 24-hour basis, 365 days a year, including holidays.
- b. An emergency is an occurrence or set of circumstances in which conditions pose immediate threat to human life, property, or both, and necessitate that prompt action be taken. An emergency call is an originated call of short duration to a governmental emergency service agency in order to seek assistance for such an emergency.

#### □ 3. ALTERNATIVE OPERATOR SERVICES

The following applies to the provision of alternative operator services (AOS) including Inmate Facility Services. (See, also, Case No. 88-560-TP-COI, December 30, 1991 Supplemental Opinion and Order and February 27, 1992 Entry on Rehearing):

Preceding the maximum operator-assisted surcharges set forth in the text of the proposed tariff, as well as preceding the operator-assisted surcharges set forth in the price list attached to the proposed tariff, the service provider must insert a statement which specifies whether the rates as set forth apply to the provider's provision of traditional operator services, alternative operator services (AOS), or both.

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#### (A) Definitions

- (1) AOS are those services provided by the provider in which the customer and the end user are totally separate entities. The provider contracts with the customer to provide the AOS; however, the provider does not directly contract with the end user to provide the services even though it is the end user who actually pays for the processing of the operator-assisted calls. These do not include coin-sent calls.
- (2) Traditional operator services are those services provided by the provider in which the end user has a customer relationship with the provider, the provider contracts with the customer/end user to provide the services, and the customer/end user pays for the actual processing of the operator-assisted calls.

#### (B) AOS Service Parameters

- (1) Local operator-assisted calls:
  For local operator-assisted calls, both live and automated, the AOS provider shall not charge the billed party more than the ILEC's price list rates for traditional local operator-assisted calls in the same exchange. This requirement includes both the local usage rate (either flat-rate per call or a minute-of-use rate per call) and applicable operator surcharges. The minutes-of-use rate for a local call shall be no higher than the rates for MTS identified in paragraph (B)(2), below.
  - (2) MTS provided in conjunction with AOS:
    For intraLATA and interLATA, intrastate toll service calls, each
    AOS provider must apply one of the following MTS price
    ceilings to the MTS provided in conjunction with AOS:

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Initial Minute	Each Additional
.32	<u>Minute</u> .16
.40	.22
.48	.28
.57	.37
.58	.39
	.32 .40 .48 .57

or;

## \$.36 per minute of use

- (3) For intraLATA and interLATA, intrastate toll service calls, each AOS provider's maximum operator-assisted rates shall be no more than:
  - (a) \$1.70 for customer-dialed calling card calls;
  - (b) \$2.50 for operator-handled calls; and
  - (c) \$4.80 for person-to-person calls.
- (4) Notice of any change in the rates stated above, whether it be upward or downward, must be maintained in the company's tariff (via its web-site or its tariff on file with the Commission), on or before the effective date.
- (C) Secured Inmate Facilities:

The following provisions apply to those operator service providers (OSPs) providing service to a secured inmate facility where the originating caller does not have access to other OSPs for the call from the secured inmate facility.

 Local operator-assisted calls: For local operator-assisted calls

For local operator-assisted calls, the AOS provider serving secured inmate facilities shall not charge the billed party more than the ILEC price list rates for a local operator-assisted call in the same exchange.

(2) IntraLATA and interLATA intrastate toll service calls: For intraLATA and interLATA intrastate toll service calls, the AOS provider serving secured inmate facilities shall not charge the billed party more than the ILEC price list rates for an intraLATA intrastate call. This requirement includes both the rates for message toll service and operator surcharges.

- (D) The AOS providers shall not charge end users surcharges in addition to the price list rates for MTS and operator-assisted surcharges set forth in the AOS providers' tariffs. This restriction means that no surcharges, including but not limited to, bill rendering charges and any additional surcharge which a host facility may request the AOS provider to bill an end user, may be levied by the AOS provider on the end user. Any surcharges imposed by a host facility are to be billed separately by the host facility.
- (E)AOS and secured inmate facility services are not subject to either Tier 1 or Tier 2 regulatory treatment, but rather will remain subject to the provisions of these rules and the applicable provisions adopted by the Commission in Case No. 88-560-TP-COI.

#### 4. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY X

The following is applicable to all telephone companies that choose to include in their tariffs language which may limit their liability (See also Case No. 85-1406-AU-COI):

Approval of limitation of liability language by the PUCO does not constitute a determination by the Commission that the limitation of liability imposed by the company should be upheld in a court of law. Approval by the Commission merely recognizes that since it is a courts responsibility to adjudicate negligence and consequent damage claims, it is also the court's responsibility to determine the validity of the exculpatory clause.

#### X 5. TERMINATION LIABILITY

The following is applicable to all telephone companies who choose to include in their tariffs language which imposes early termination liability on a customer for termination of service prior to the designated term of service:

Inclusion of early termination liability by the company in its tariff or a contract does not constitute a determination by the Commission that the termination liability imposed by the company is approved or sanctioned by the Commission. Customers shall be free to pursue whatever legal remedies they may have should a dispute arise.

#### ☐ 6. SERVICE CONNECTION ASSISTANCE (SCA)

The following is applicable to all LECs that offer local service to residential customers:

SCA is targeted to help defray the one-time, up-front costs of connecting to the local exchange network for qualified customers. It provides a waiver of the deposit requirement, full or partial waiver of the service connection charges.

#### □ 7. LOCAL NUMBER PORTABILITY and NUMBER POOLING

See Case No. 95-845-TP-COI Guideline XIV, FCC Dockets 95-116 and 99-200. NOTE: LNP and number pooling are required of all facilities-based LECs, regardless of size, and CMRS where currently rolled-out by the FCC or as a result of a bona fide request unless granted an extension, exemption, or waiver by the Commission or the FCC.

## 8. TARIFFING AND DISCONNECTION PROCEDURES FOR SERVICE PACKAGES OR BUNDLES

Applicable to all LECs packaging or bundling regulated local services with toll service and/or unregulated services. See Rule 4901:1-6-21(C), Ohio Administrative Code.

## □ Option 1

## **Tariffing**

Under option 1, LECs that package or bundle regulated local services with toll and/or unregulated services shall tariff only the regulated compennets of a package or bundle of services either as a package at a separate, single rate for the regulated compenets or individually at individual tariffed rates. The unregulated services and any rate(s) associated with the unregulated service compenets of any package or bundle of services shall not be tariffed.

#### **Disconnection Procedures**

Under option 1, if a customer fails to submit timely payment sufficient to cover the amount of the regulated charges, the LEC may discontinue the provision of the regulated services in compliance with Rule 4901:1-5-17, Ohio Administrative Code.

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#### Staff Notice

Under option 1, LECs shall keep the Director of the Consumer Services Division and the Chief of Telecommunications of the Utilities Department informed and up-to-date on all current offers to consumers that bundle regulated local services with unregulated services at a single packaged rate, different from the rate shown in the tariff for the regulated components of the package. The notice to staff shall identify the regulated and unregulated services included and the packaged rate (the combined tariffed and untariffed rate).

#### □ Option 2

**Tariffing** 

Under option 2, LECs shall tariff the entire package or bundle of services including both regulated local services and toll and/or unregulated services for a single combined packaged rate (including any amount attributable to the unregulated components). The LEC shall clearly identify the services within the package and denote which services are unregulated.

#### **Disconnection Procedures**

Under option 2, if a customer fails to submit timely payment sufficient to cover the entire amount of the regulated and unregulated bundled packaged rate, the LEC may discontinue the provision of any regulated and unregulated services, other than basic local exchange service, if payment is sufficient to cover the rate for basic local exchange service. For purposes of this rule, the rate for basic local exchange service shall be the tariffed rate for stand-alone basic local exchange service. In the event a CLEC does not offer basic local exchange service on a stand-alone basis, the CLEC shall identify an amount in the tariff for the basic local exchange service component of the package. In no event shall this amount exceed the packaged rate. Further, if the customer loses services included in the package due to non-payment or partial payment pursuant to this rule, the customer shall be entitled to add, change, or discontinue any regulated services provided according to the LEC's normal procedures for adding, changing or discontinuing such services.

#### Disconnection Notice

Under option 2, the LEC shall, in its notice of disconnection for non-payment, state the total amount due to avoid discontinuance of the package, as well as the total amount due to avoid discontinuance of the basic local exchange service component of the package.

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#### **EXHIBIT C**

("narrative summarizing all changes proposed in the application")

As required by the PUCO, Tri-M Communications, Inc. d/b/a TMC Communications ("TMC") is hereby applying to de-tariff its intrastate long distance services in Ohio. We apologize for the late filing of this Application.

As indicated in the Application itself and in its various attachments, TMC has created a new Service Catalog which will contain the rates, terms and conditions for Ohio customers that seek to use its intrastate long distance services, and has sent a notice letter to all of TMC's Ohio customers advising them that their services are no longer governed by tariff, but by the new TMC Service Catalog, a copy of which is included with Exhibit D to the Application. The notice letter invited customers to write to TMC, either at its mailing address or by visiting its web site, to obtain a copy of the new Service Catalog.

We would be happy to answer any questions about this Application or our approach to meeting the PUCO's de-tariffing requirements. Please contact the undersigned to pose any such questions.

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#### **EXHIBIT D**

("Explanation of how the Applicant intends to comply with Rule 4901:1-6-05(G)(3) regarding disclosure of rates, terms, and conditions for detariffed services")

As indicated on the attached customer notice letter (Exhibit E to this Application), all of TMC's Ohio customers have been sent a notice indicating that, as of July 1, 2008, TMC's intrastate long distance services will no longer governed by its tariff but, rather, by its Service Catalog, which is attached and incorporated as part of this Exhibit D. Customers are invited to contact TMC directly, either at its California mailing address or at its web site, to request a copy of the attached new Service Catalog.

This catalog contains the descriptions, regulations, and rates applicable to the furnishing of service or facilities for Telecommunications Services furnished by TMC COMMUNICATIONS, INC. d/b/a TMC Communications ("TMC"), with principal offices at 820 State Street, 5th Floor, Santa Barbara, CA 93101. This catalog applies only to services furnished within the State of Ohio. Copies of this catalog may be inspected, during normal business hours, at the company's principal place of business or provided, upon request, by U.S. mail or by e-mail (www.tmccom.com).

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#### **SECTION 1 - TECHNICAL TERMS AND ABBREVIATIONS**

Access Line - An arrangement from a local exchange telephone company or other common carrier, using either dedicated or switched access, which connects a Customer's location to the Company's location or switching center.

<u>Authorization Code</u> - A numerical code, one or more of which may be assigned to a Customer, to enable the Company to identify the origin of the Customer so it may rate and bill the call. Automatic number identification (ANI) is used as the authorization code wherever possible.

<u>Commission</u> - Used throughout this catalog to mean the Ohio Public Utilities Commission.

<u>Customer</u> - The person, firm, corporation or other legal entity which orders the services of the Company or purchases a Company Prepaid Calling Card and/or originates prepaid calls using such cards, and is responsible for the payment of charges and for compliance with the Company's catalog regulations.

<u>Company or TMC</u>- Used throughout this catalog to mean TRI-M COMMUNICATIONS, INC. d/b/a TMC Communications, a California Corporation.

<u>Dedicated Access</u> - The Customer gains entry to the Company's services by a direct path from the Customer's location to the Company's point of presence

<u>Prepaid Account</u> - An inventory of Telecom Units purchased in advance by the Customer, and associated with one and only one Authorization Code as contained in a specific Prepaid Calling Card.

<u>Prepaid Calling Card</u> - A card issued by the Company, containing an Authorization Code which identifies a specific Prepaid Account of Telecom Units, which enables calls to be processed, account activity to be logged, and balances to be maintained, on a prepayment basis.

Resp. Org – Responsible Organization or entity identified by a Toll-Free service Customer that manages and administers records in the toll free number database and management system.

<u>Switched Access</u> - The Customer gains entry to the Company's services by a transmission line that is switched through the local exchange carrier to reach the Company's point of presence.

<u>Telecom Unit</u> - A measurement of telecommunications service equivalent to one minute of usage between any two points within the State of Ohio.

<u>Telecommunications</u> - The transmission of voice communications or, subject to the transmission capabilities of the services, the transmission of data, facsimile, signaling, metering, or other similar communications.

<u>Underlying Carrier</u> - The telecommunications carrier whose network facilities provide the technical capability and capacity necessary for the transmission and reception of Customer telecommunications traffic.

#### **SECTION 2 - RULES AND REGULATIONS**

#### 2.1 Undertaking of the Company

This catalog contains the regulations and rates applicable to intrastate interexchange telecommunications services provided by the Company for telecommunications between points within the State of Ohio. All terms and conditions herein will comply with Ohio Minimum Telephone Service Standards. Services are furnished subject to the availability of facilities and subject to the terms and conditions of this catalog in compliance with limitations set forth in the Commission' rules. The Company's services are provided on a statewide basis and are not intended to be limited geographically. The Company offers service to all those who desire to purchase service from the Company consistent with all of the provisions of this catalog. Customers interested in the Company's services shall file a service application with the Company which fully identifies the Customer, the services requested and other information requested by the Company. Once the Company has accepted a Customer's service application, all provisions of this catalog, as they may change from time to time, shall apply to all the services provided to the Customer, and shall be deemed to form a contract with the Customer. The Company may act as the Customer's agent for ordering access connection facilities provided by other carriers or entities when authorized by the Customer, to allow connection of a Customer's location to a service provided by the Company. The Customer shall be responsible for all charges due for such service arrangement.

2.1.1 The services provided by the Company are not part of a joint undertaking with any other entity providing telecommunications channels, facilities, or services, but may involve the resale of the Message Toll Services (MTS) and Wide Area Telecommunications Services (WATS) of underlying common carriers subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission.

2.1.2 The rates and regulations contained in this catalog apply only to the services furnished by the Company and do not apply, unless otherwise specified, to the lines, facilities, or services provided by a local exchange telephone company or other common carriers for use in accessing the services of the Company.

#### 2.2 Use of Services

- 2.2.1 The Company's services may be used for any lawful purpose consistent with the transmission and switching parameters of the telecommunications facilities utilized in the provision of services, subject to any limitations set forth in this Section 2.2.
- 2.2.2 The use of the Company's services to make calls which might reasonably be expected to frighten, abuse, torment, or harass another or in such a way as to unreasonably interfere with use by others is prohibited.
- 2.2.3 The use of the Company's services without payment for service or attempting to avoid payment for service by fraudulent means or devices, schemes, false or invalid numbers, or false calling or credit cards is prohibited.
- 2.2.4 The Company's services are available for use 24 hours per day, 7 days per week.
- 2.2.5 The Company does not transmit messages, but the services may be used for that purpose.
- 2.2.6 The Company's services may be denied for nonpayment in compliance with Ohio MTSS Rule 17.

- 2.2.7 Customers shall not use the service provided under this catalog for any unlawful purpose.
- 2.2.8 The Customer shall immediately notify the Company of any unauthorized use of services.

#### 2.3 Liability of the Company

- 2.3.1 The Company shall not be liable for, and shall be fully indemnified and held harmless by the Customer against any claim, loss, expense, or damage for defamation, libel, slander, invasion, infringement of copyright or patent, unauthorized use of any trademark, trade name or service mark, proprietary or creative right, or any other injury to any person, property or entity arising out of the material, data or information transmitted.
- 2.3.2 No agent or employee of any other carrier or entity shall be deemed to be an agent or employee of the Company.
- 2.3.3 Unless caused by the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the company, its liability for damages, resulting in whole or in part from or arising in connection with the furnishing of service under this catalog, including but not limited to mistakes, omissions, interruptions, delays, errors, or other defects or misrepresentations, shall not exceed an amount equal to the charges provided for under this catalog for the long distance call for the period during which the call was affected.

- 2.3.4 Unless caused by the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the company, it shall not be liable for any and all loss, claims, demands, suits, or other action or any liability whatsoever, whether suffered, made, instituted, or asserted by any Customer or any other entity for any personal injury to, or death of, any person or persons, and for any loss, damage, defacement or destruction of the premises of any Customer.
- 2.3.5 The Company shall not be liable for any indirect, special, incidental, or consequential damages under this catalog including, but not limited to, loss of revenue or profits, for any reason whatsoever, including the breakdown of facilities associated with the service, or for any mistakes, omissions, delays, errors, or defects in transmission occurring during the course of furnishing service.
- 2.3.6 The remedies set forth herein are exclusive and in lieu of all other warranties and remedies, whether express, implied, or statutory, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE.

#### 2.4 Responsibilities of the Customer

- 2.4.1 The Customer is responsible for placing any necessary orders and complying with the Company's regulations, as set out in this catalog, as they may change from time to time. The Customer is also responsible for the payment of charges for services provided under this catalog.
- 2.4.2 The Customer is responsible for charges incurred for special construction and/or special facilities which the Customer requests and which are ordered by the Company on the Customer's behalf.

- 2.4.3 If required for the provision of the Company's services, the Customer must provide any equipment space, supporting structure, conduit and electrical power without charge to the Company.
- 2.4.4 The Customer is responsible for arranging access to its premises at times mutually agreeable to the Company and the Customer when required for Company personnel to install, repair, maintain, program, inspect or remove equipment associated with the provision of the Company's services.
- 2.4.5 The Customer shall cause the temperature and relative humidity in the equipment space provided by Customer for the installation of the Company's equipment to be maintained within the range normally provided for the operation of microcomputers.
- 2.4.6 The Customer shall ensure that the equipment and/or system is properly interfaced with the Company's facilities or services, that the signals emitted into the Company's network are of the proper mode, bandwidth, power and signal level for the intended use of the subscriber and in compliance with criteria set forth in this catalog, and that the signals do not damage equipment, injure personnel, or degrade service to other Customers. If the Federal Communications Commission or some other appropriate certifying body certifies terminal equipment as being technically acceptable for direct electrical connection with interstate communications service, the Company will permit such equipment to be connected with its channels without the use of protective interface devices. If the Customer fails to maintain the equipment and/or the system properly, with resulting imminent harm to Company equipment, personnel or the quality of service to other Customers, the Company may, upon 10 days' written notice, require the use of protective equipment at the Customer's expense. If this fails to produce satisfactory quality and safety, the Company may, upon 10 days' written notice, terminate the Customer's service in

compliance with Ohio MTSS Rule 17.

- 2.4.7 The Customer must pay the Company for replacement or repair of damage to the equipment or facilities of the Company caused by negligence or willful act of the Customer or others, by improper use of the services, or by use of equipment provided by Customer or others.
- 2.4.8 The Customer must pay for the loss through theft of any Company equipment installed at Customer's premises.
- 2.4.9 If the Company installs equipment at Customer's premises, the Customer shall be responsible for payment of any applicable installation charge.
- 2.4.10 The Customer must use the services offered in this catalog in a manner consistent with the terms of this catalog and the policies and regulations of all state, federal and local authorities having jurisdiction over the service.

#### 2.5 Cancellation or Interruption of Services

Cancellation or interruption of services practices will be in accordance with Ohio Minimum Telephone Service Standards, Section 4901:1-5-17.

#### 2.6 Credit Allowance

- 2.6.1 Credit allowance for the interruption of service which is not due to the Company's testing or adjusting, negligence of the Customer, or to the failure of channels or equipment provided by the Customer, are subject to the general liability provisions set forth in Section 2.3, above. It shall be the obligation of the Customer to notify the Company immediately of any interruption in service for which a credit allowance is desired. Before giving such notice, the Customer shall ascertain that the trouble is not being caused by any action or omission by the Customer within his control, or is not in wiring or equipment, if any, furnished by the Customer and connected to the Company's facilities.
- 2.6.2 No credit is allowed in the event that service must be interrupted in order to provide routine service quality or related investigations.
- 2.6.3 Credit for failure of service shall be allowed only when such failure is caused by or occurs due to causes within the control of the Company or in the event that the Company is entitled to a credit for the failure of the facilities of the Company's Underlying Carrier used to furnish service.
- 2.6.4 Credit for interruption shall commence after the Customer notifies the Company of the interruption or when the Company becomes aware thereof, and ceases when service has been restored.
- 2.6.5 For purposes of credit computation, every month shall be considered to have 720 hours.
- 2.6.6 No credit shall be allowed for an interruption of a continuous duration of less than two hours.

2.6.7 The Customer shall be credited for an interruption of two hours or more at the rate of 1/720th of the monthly charge for the facilities affected for each hour or major fraction thereof that the interruption continues.

Credit Formula:

Credit = 
$$\frac{A \times B}{720}$$

"A" - outage time in hours

"B" - monthly charge for affected activity

#### 2.7 Restoration of Service

The use and restoration of service shall be in accordance with the priority system specified in part 64, Subpart D of the Rules and Regulations of the Federal Communications Commission.

#### 2.8 Deposit

The Company does not require deposits to commence service.

#### 2.9 Advance Payments

The Company does not require advance payments.

#### 2.10 Payment and Billing

Payment and billing practices will be in compliance with the Minimum Telephone Service Standards, Section 4901:1-5-15 and 4901:1-5-17.

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#### 2.11 Reserved For Future Use

#### 2.12 Reserved For Future Use

#### 2.13 Late Charge

A late fee of 1.5% monthly or the amount otherwise authorized by law, whichever is lower, will be charged on any past due balances. Late payment fees should not include interest on previously charged late payment fees. The late payment charge will not be applied to previous late payment charges that have been assessed but not yet paid for, but will apply to the accumulated services for which the customer is in arrears. Late payment charges will be applied without discrimination.

#### 2.14 Returned Check Charge

A fee will be charged whenever a check or draft presented for payment for service is not accepted by the institution on which it is written. The Company may waive the returned check charge under appropriate circumstances.

#### 2.15 Reconnection Charge

A reconnection fee of \$25.00 per occurrence will be charged when service is re-established for Customers which have been disconnected due to non-payment.

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#### **SECTION 3 - DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE**

#### 3.1 Computation of Charges

- 3.1.1 The total charge for each completed call may be a variable measured charge dependent on the duration, distance and time of day of the call. The total charge for each completed call may also be dependent only on the duration of the call, i.e., a statewide flat-rate per-minute charge. The variable measured charge is specified as a rate per minute which is applied to each minute. All calls are measured in increments as set forth in the Rates Section of this catalog. Fractions of a billing increment are rounded up to a full billing increment on a per-call basis. Fractions of a cent per minute are rounded up to a full cent on a per-call basis.
- 3.1.2 Where mileage bands appear in a rate table, rates for all calls are based upon the airline distance between the originating and terminating points of the call, as determined by the vertical and horizontal coordinates associated with the exchange (the area code and three-digit central-office code) associated with the originating and terminating telephone numbers. If the Customer obtains access to the Company's network by a dedicated access circuit, that circuit will be assigned an exchange for rating purposes based upon the Customer's main telephone number at the location where the dedicated access circuit terminates. The vertical and horizontal (V & H) coordinates for each exchange and the airline distance between them will be determined according to industry standards.

3.1.3 Timing begins when the called station is answered and two-way communication is possible, as determined by standard industry methods generally in use for ascertaining answer, including hardware answer supervision in which the local telephone company sends a signal to the switch or the software using audio-tone detection. Recognition of answer supervision is the responsibility of the Underlying Carrier. Timing for each call ends when either party hangs up. The Company will not bill for uncompleted calls.

#### 3.2 Customer Complaints and/or Billing Disputes

Customer inquiries or complaints regarding service or accounting may be made in writing or by telephone at any time to the Company at:

820 State Street, 5th Floor Santa Barbara, CA 93101 (888) 965-8620

OR

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio 180 E. Broad Street Columbus, Ohio 43215 (800) 686-PUCO (7826)

Any objection to billed charges should be reported promptly to the Company. Adjustments to Customers' bills shall be made to the extent that records are available and/or circumstances exist which reasonably indicate that such charges are not in accordance with approved rates or that an adjustment may otherwise be appropriate. Where overbilling of a subscriber occurs, due either to Company or subscriber error, credit will be issued in compliance with Ohio MTSS Rule 4901:1-5-16. Any credits will be paid within two billing cycles.

If a Customer accumulates more than One Dollar of undisputed delinquent Company 800 Service charges, the Company Resp. Org. reserves the right not to honor that Customer's request for a Resp. Org. change until such undisputed charges are paid in full.

#### 3.3 Level of Service

A Customer can expect end-to-end network availability of not less than 99% at all times for all services.

#### 3.4 Billing Entity Conditions

When billing functions on behalf of the Company or its intermediary are performed by local exchange telephone companies or others, the conditions and regulations of such companies and any regulations imposed upon these companies by regulatory bodies having jurisdiction apply. The Company's name and toll-free telephone number will appear on the Customer's bill.

#### 3.5 Service Offerings

#### 3.5.11 + Dialing

This service permits Customers to originate calls via switched or dedicated access lines, and to terminate intrastate calls. The customer dials "1+" followed by "ten digits" or dials "101XXXX" followed by "1+ ten digits".

#### 3.5.2 Travel Cards.

The Customer uses an 11-digit "toll-free" access number established by the Company to access a terminal. Upon receiving a voice prompt, the Customer uses push button dialing to enter an identification code assigned by the Company, and the ten-digit number of the called party.

#### 3.5.3 Toll Free Service.

This service is for inbound calling only, where an 800, 888 or other toll-free prefix number rings into a Customer's premise routed to a specific telephone number or terminated over a dedicated facility.

#### 3.5.4 Company Prepaid Calling Cards.

This service permits use of Company Prepaid Calling Cards for placing long distance calls. Customers may purchase Company Prepaid Calling Cards at a variety of retail outlets or through other distribution channels. Company Prepaid Calling Card service is accessed using the Company toll-free number printed on the card. The caller is prompted by an automated voice response system to enter his/her Authorization Code, and then

to enter the terminating telephone number. The Company's processor tracks the call duration on a real-time basis to determine the number of Telecom Units consumed. The total consumed Telecom Units and applicable taxes for each call are deducted from the remaining Telecom-Unit balance on the Customer's Company Prepaid Calling Card.

All calls must be charged against a Company Prepaid Calling Card that has a sufficient Telecom Unit balance. A Customer's call will be interrupted with an announcement when the balance is about to be depleted.

When the balance is depleted, the Customer can either call the toll-free number on the back of the Company Prepaid Calling Card and "recharge" the balance on the card using a nationally recognized credit card, or the Customer can throw the card away and purchase a new one. Calls in progress will be terminated by the Company if the balance on the Company Prepaid Calling Card is insufficient to continue the call.

A card will expire on the date indicated on the card, or if no date is specified, 6 months from the date of purchase, or the date of last recharge, whichever is later. The Company will not refund unused balances.

A credit allowance for the Company Prepaid Calling Card Service is applicable to calls that are interrupted due to poor transmission, one-way transmission, or involuntary disconnection of a call. A Customer may also be granted credit for reaching a wrong number. To receive the proper credit, the Customer must notify the Company at the designated toll-free customer service number printed on the Company Prepaid Calling Card and furnish the called number, the trouble experienced (e.g. cut-off, noisy circuit, reached wrong number, etc.), and the approximate time that the call was placed.

When a call charged to a Company Prepaid Calling Card is interrupted due to cut-off, one-way transmission, or poor transmission conditions, the Customer will receive a credit equivalent of one Telecom Unit.

Credit allowances for calls pursuant to Company Prepaid Card Service do not apply for interruptions not reported promptly to the Company, or for interruptions that are due to the failure of power, equipment or systems not provided by the Company.

Credit for failure of service shall be allowed only when such failure is caused by or occurs due to causes within the control of the Company.

The Company will block all calls beginning with the NPA "900" and NXX "976" calls, therefore such calls can not be completed.

#### 3.5.5 Directory Assistance.

Access to long-distance directory assistance is obtained by dialing 1 + 555-1212 for listings within the originating area code and 1 + (area code) + 555-1212 for other listings. When more than one number is requested in a single call, a charge may apply for each number requested. A charge will be applicable for each number requested, whether or not the number is listed or published.

#### 3.5.6 Specialized Pricing Arrangements.

Customized service packages and competitive pricing packages at negotiated rates may be furnished on a case-by-case basis in response to requests by Customers to the Company for proposals or for competitive bids. Service offered under this catalog provision will be provided to Customers pursuant to contract. Unless otherwise specified, the regulations for such arrangements are in addition to the applicable regulations and prices in other sections of the catalog. Specialized rates or charges will be made available to similarly situated Customers on a non-discriminatory basis. All such specialized pricing arrangements will be filed with the Commission.

#### 3.5.7 Emergency Call Handling Procedures

Emergency "911" calls are not routed to company, but are completed through the local network at no charge.

## 3.5.8 Promotional Offerings

The Company may, from time to time, make promotional offerings to enhance the marketing of its services. These offerings may be limited to certain dates, times and locations. The Company will notify the Commission of such offerings as required by Commission rules and regulations. A promotional offer cannot be more than ninety days in limit in any 12 month period of time.

#### **SECTION 4 - RATES**

## 4.1 1+ & 101XXXX Dialing

\$0.15 per minute

A \$4.95 per month per number service charge applies. Billed in one minute increments

## 4.2 Travel Cards

\$.199 per minute

A \$.25 per call service charge applies. Billed in one minute increments

## 4.3 Toll Free Service

\$0.15 per minute

A \$10.00 per month per number service charge applies. Billed in one minute increments

4.4	Prepaid Calling Cards Program
Α	\$.015 Per Telecom Unit
В	\$.019 Per Telecom Unit
С	\$.025 Per Telecom Unit
D	\$.029 Per Telecom Unit
E	\$.032 Per Telecom Unit
F	\$.035 Per Telecom Unit
G	\$.039 Per Telecom Unit
Н	\$.049 Per Telecom Unit
I	\$.05 Per Telecom Unit
J	\$.059 Per Telecom Unit
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Χ	\$.30 Per Telecom Unit
Υ	\$.33 Per Telecom Unit
Z	\$.35 Per Telecom Unit
AA	\$.39 Per Telecom Unit
BB	\$.40 Per Telecom Unit
CC	\$.50 Per Telecom Unit
DD	\$.005 Per Telecom Unit
EE	\$.01 Per Telecom Unit
FF	\$.07 Per Telecom Unit
V & O	O nor call carviag charge applies

A \$.99 per call service charge applies.

A one-time maintenance fee of \$1.00 applies after the 1st call.

#### 4.5 Directory Assistance

\$.95

#### 4.6 Returned Check Charge

\$25.00

#### 4.7 Rate Periods

	Monday - Friday	Sat.	Sun.
8 a.m. to 5 p.m.*	Daytime Rate Period		
5 p.m. to 11 p.m.*	Evening Rate Period		Evening Rate Period
11 p.m. to 8 a.m.*	Night/Weekend Rate Period		

<sup>\*</sup> To, but not including

When a message spans more than one rate period, total charges for the minutes in each rate period are calculated and the results for each rate period are totaled to obtain the total message charge. If the calculation results in a fractional charge, the amount will be rounded up to the higher cent.

#### 4.8 Payphone Dial-Around Surcharge

A dial-around surcharge of \$.50 per call will be added to any completed call using an intrastate toll access code and subscriber toll-free 800/888 number, placed from a public or semi-public payphone.

# 4.9 <u>Universal Service Fund Assessment & Presubscribed Interexchange Carrier</u> Charge

The Customer will be assessed a monthly state Universal Service Fund Contribution charge on all telecommunications services, which in no event shall be less than the prevailing contribution percentage rate charged the Company on intrastate traffic by any state agency or its administrator. A Presubscribed Interexchange Carrier Charge ("PICC") applies on a monthly basis to all Customer monthly bills at the prevailing rate.

## EXHIBIT E

Attached is a copy of the customer notice letter sent to all customers now taking intrastate long distance services from TMC



TMC Communications www.tmccom.com

820 State Street, 5th Floor Santa Barbara, CA 93101 866.999.1133 *toll free* 877.965.7822 *fax* 

May 23, 2008

**Domestic Linen Supply** 

6410 EASTLAND RD.

BROOK PARK, OH 44142

To Whom It May Concern:

Beginning on the date of July 1, 2008 the prices, services, terms and conditions for certain telecommunication services provided by Tri-M Communications, Inc. will no longer be on file with the Public Utilities Commissions of Ohio.

Services include, but are may not be limited to telecommunication and data services.

You can request a copy of this information by contacting Tri-M Communications, Inc. at 866-999-1199. This change does not affect the prices, terms and conditions of those services to which you currently subscribe. These services continue to be regulated by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio.

If you have any questions about this matter, please call Tri-M Communications at the toll free number of 866-999-1133 or visit us online at <a href="https://www.tmccom.com">www.tmccom.com</a>.

Sincerely,

Tri-M Communications, Inc.

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## EXHIBIT F

Attached is a copy of the Customer Notice Affidavit certifying that TMC has sent the notice letter appended to Exhibit E to all of its Ohio customers

CUSTOMER NOTICE AFFIDAVIT	
STATE OF: SS: COUNTY OF:	
<u>AFFIDAVIT</u>	
make this statement on its behalf. I atte were sent to affected customers through	, am an authorized agent of the applicant ions, Inc, and am authorized to est that customer notices accompanying this affidavit gh on May 30,
2008, in accordance with Rule 490 penalty of perjury that the foregoing is	1:1-6-16, Ohio Administrative Code. I declare under true and correct.
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/s/_	(Signature and Title) (Date)
Subscribed and sworn to before me this	(Date)
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