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Ms. Reneé J. Jenkins Director of Administration Secretary of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio 180 East Broad Street Columbus, Ohio 43215

RE: <u>In the Matter of the Application of FairPoint Carrier Services, Inc. to Detariff Certain Tier 2</u>
<u>Services and make other changes related to the Implementation of Case No. 06-1345-TP-ORD;</u>
PUCO Case No. 08-806-TP-ATA

Dear Ms. Jenkins:

FairPoint Carrier Services, Inc. submits an Application for electronic filing in the above-referenced matter. The TRF Number for FairPoint Carrier Services, Inc. is 90-6121-CT-TRF.

Thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Carolyn S. Flahive

Enclosure

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# 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 FairPoint Carrier Services,	TRF Docket No. 90-6121-CT	`-TRF
Inc. to Detariff Certain Tier 2 Services and make other	Case No.08 - 806 - <b>TP</b> - <b>AT</b>	$\Gamma \mathbf{A}$
changes related to the Implementation of Case No. 06-1345-	NOTE: Unless you have reserved a	Case No. leave the "Case No."
TP-ORD )	fields BLANK.	
Name of Registrant(s) FairPoint Carrier Services, Inc.		
DBA(s) of Registrant(s)		
Address of Registrant(s) 30 East Main Street, Westfield, NY 14787		
Company Web Address		
Regulatory Contact Person(s) Carolyn S. Flahive	Phone <u>614-469-3294</u>	Fax <u>614-469-3361</u>
Regulatory Contact Person's Email Address Carolyn.Flahive@Thomp	osonHine.com	
Contact Person for Annual Report Eric Doane, Regional Controller	<u></u>	Phone <u>207-642-7297</u>
Address (if different from above) 155 Gannett Drive, S. Portland, ME 04106		Fax 207-642-7221
Consumer Contact Information Dottie Nesmith, Manager Regulatory Compliance		Phone 800-437-6215
Address (if different from above) 908 W. Frontview, Dodge City, KS	Fax <u>620-227-8576</u>	

#### Part I - Tariffs

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

NOTE: All cases are ATA process cases, tariffs are effective the day they are filed, and remain in effect unless the Commission acts to suspend.

Carrier Type	☐ ILEC	☐ CLEC	□ CTS
Business Tier 2 Services			$\boxtimes$
Residential & Business Toll Services			
Other Changes required by Rule (Describe in detail in Exhibit C)			$\boxtimes$

#### Part II – Exhibits

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

Included	Identified As:	Description of Required Exhibit:
	Exhibit A	The existing affected tariff pages.
	Exhibit B	The proposed revised tariff pages.
	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.

#### Part III. - Attestation

Registrant hereby attests to its compliance with pertinent entries and orders issued by the Commission.

#### **AFFIDAVIT**

## Compliance with Commission Rules and Service Standards

I am an attorney of the applicant corporation, <u>FairPoint Carrier Services, Inc.</u>

, and am authorized to make this statement on its behalf.

(Name)

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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) July 1, 2008

at (Location) Columbus, Ohio

\*(Signature and Title) /s/ Carolyn S. Flahive

(Date) July 1, 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, Carolyn S. Flahive, 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) /s/ Carolyn S. Flahive

(Date) July 1, 2008

\*Verification is required for every filing. It may be signed by counsel or an officer of the applicant, or an authorized agent of the applicant.

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**

(Existing Affected Tariff Pages)

(Pages not included here do not exist in their native/source form but can be found on the Commission's website)

## TITLE SHEET

#### OHIO WHOLESALE INTEREXCHANGE TARIFF

This tariff contains the descriptions, regulations, and rates applicable to the furnishing of service and facilities for telecommunications services provided by FairPoint Carrier Services, Inc., with principle offices at 30 East Main Street, Westfield, New York 14787. This tariff applies for services furnished within the state of Ohio. This tariff is on file with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, and copies may be inspected, during normal business hours, at the Company's principle place of business.

Issued: December 1, 2003 Effective: December 1, 2003

## **EXHIBIT B**

(Proposed Revised Tariff Pages)

## TITLE SHEET

## OHIO WHOLESALE INTEREXCHANGE TARIFF

The principle offices of FairPoint Carrier Services, Inc. are located at 30 East Main Street, Westfield, New York 14787.

Issued: July 1, 2008 Effective: July 1, 2008

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#### 1. General

- 1.1 Customers have certain rights and responsibilities under the Minimum Telephone Service Standards (Ohio Adm.Code 4901:1-5) (the "MTSS"). These safeguards can be found in the Appendix to Ohio Adm.Code 4901:1-5-03, which is entitled "Telephone Customer Rights and Responsibilities." These rights and responsibilities include complaint handling, ordering or changing service, service repair, payment of bills, and disconnection and reconnection of service.
- 1.2 As of the Effective Date below, the rates, service descriptions, and the terms and conditions for all toll services will no longer be included in this tariff, which is on file with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio. You may view or receive a paper copy of such information for those services by calling the Company toll free at 800-400-5568.

Issued: July 1, 2008 Effective: July 1, 2008

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## 2. <u>Miscellaneous Charges</u>

2.1 <u>Late Fee</u> (T)(M)

A late fee of 1.5% per month may be assessed to regulated charges not paid 30 days from the mailing date of the bill. The late payment fee will not apply to any portion of the bill that is in bona fide dispute or to any previous late payment fees included in the amount due.

## 2.2 <u>Returned Check Charges</u>

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When a check which has been presented to the Company by a customer as payment for charges is returned by the bank, the customer shall be responsible for the payment of a Returned Check Charge of \$15.00.

Issued: July 1, 2008 Effective: July 1, 2008

# **EXHIBIT C**

(Summary of Tariff Revisions)

## **EXHIBIT C**

FairPoint Carrier Services, Inc. ("FairPoint"), which provides toll services solely on a resell basis to local exchange carriers, has deleted all of the provisions from its tariff except for its Late Fee and Returned Check Charges sections, which remain in the tariff. FairPoint also added a) the general MTSS reference pursuant to the September 26, 2007 Entry in Case No. 05-1102-TP-ORD and b) an explanation that toll services have been detariffed, with direction to call FairPoint if the Customer wishes to view or receive a paper copy of such information.

Please note that Sheet 1 of the tariff as it exists on the PUCO's website is not current. First Revised Sheet 1 was filed December 1, 2003 in Case No. 03-2343-TP-COI.

# **EXHIBIT D**

The Applicant intends to comply with Ohio Adm. Code 4901:1-6-05(G)(3) by providing its customers with a paper copy of the rates, service descriptions, and terms and conditions of the detariffed services upon request.

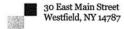
## **EXHIBIT E**

# (Customer Notice)

The following notice is an example of the notice that the Company sent via direct mail on June 12, 2008 to the three local exchange carriers to which it resells toll services in Ohio.

In addition, on June 12, 2008, the Applicant forwarded the customer notice template to the following Commission-provided electronic mailbox: Telecomm-Rule16@puc.state.oh.us in accordance with the Entry issued September 19, 2007 in Case No. 06-1345-TP-ORD.





June 11, 2008

Germantown Independent Telephone Co. 36 North Plum Street Germantown, OH 45327

Dear Germantown Independent Telephone Co.,

Beginning on July 1, 2008, the prices, service descriptions, and the terms and conditions for the toll services that you are provided by FairPoint Carrier Services, Inc. ("FairPoint") will no longer be on file at the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO).

This modification does not automatically result in a change in the prices, terms or conditions of those services to which you currently subscribe. FairPoint must still provide a customer notice at least fifteen days in advance of rate increases, changes in terms and conditions and discontinuance of existing services. Additionally, you will be able to view the company's future service offerings in a guidebook, a copy of which you can request by calling FairPoint at 800-400-5568.

Since these services will no longer be on file with the Commission, this means that the agreement reached between the customer and the company, instead of the document on file at the PUCO, will now control new services or changes in service. This agreement, whether it is verbal or written, will still be subject to consumer protections required and enforced by the PUCO.

For any new services or changes in service, it will be important that you carefully review and confirm the price, terms and conditions.

If you have any questions about this matter, please call FairPoint at the toll free number 800-400-5568.

Sincerely

FairPoint Carrier Services, Inc.

**EXHIBIT F** 

(Affidavit)

STATE OF NEW YORK:

SS:

COUNTY OF COLUMBIA:

## AITIDAVIT

I, John W. Sutphen, am an authorized agent of the applicant corporation, FaitPoint Carrier Services, Inc., and am authorized to make this statement on its behalf. I attest that the customer notice accompanying this affidavit was sent to affected customers via direct mail on June 12, 2008, in accordance with Rule 4901:1-6-16, Ohio Administrative Code. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on 6-13-08 Chellaar | Ad (Date)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

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Notary Public

(Date)

My Commission Expires:

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