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VIA E-FILE

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Ms. Reneé Jenkins
Docketing Division
Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
180 East Broad Street
Columbus, OH 43215-3793


RE: *In the matter of the Application of United Telephone Company of Ohio d/b/a
Embarq – PUCO Case No. 08-1041-TP-BLS*

Dear Ms. Jenkins:

Attached is Embarq's Response to the Staff's Data Request to be filed in connection with the above referenced matter.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact Gary Baki at 614-220-8629.

Sincerely,


Gary S. Baki

Enclosures

**BEFORE
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO**

In the Matter of the Application of United)	
Telephone Company of Ohio d/b/a)	
Embarq for Approval of an Alternative)	
Form of Regulation of Basic Local)	Case No. 08-1041-TP-BLS
Exchange and Other Tier 1 Services)	
Pursuant to Chapter 4901:1-4, Ohio)	
Administrative Code.)	

**RESPONSE OF UNITED TELEPHONE COMPANY OF OHIO DBA EMBARQ
TO THE STAFF'S FIRST SET OF DATA REQUESTS
(DATED NOVEMBER 4, 2008)**

United Telephone Company of Ohio d/b/a Embarq ("Embarq") hereby provides
its responses to the Staff's First Discovery Request as follows:

1. For the Bellefontaine, Mount Sterling, Sunbury, and Waterville exchanges, there is no E-911 information included with the application for the alternative providers. Is this an oversight? If yes, please provide such information.

Embarq Response:

The exclusion of E-911 information was not an oversight. Embarq provided other data, e.g., directory listings and ported numbers, as evidence to demonstrate the presence of competitors in those exchanges and did not believe it was necessary to provide duplicative E-911 information.

2. For all exchanges where a CLEC (specifically, COI and ValTech) is leasing loops from Embarq, what supporting documentation corresponds to verification of leasing any facilities?

Embarq Response:

The supporting documentation used to verify the CLEC(s) that were leasing loops from Embarq was the Interconnection Agreements between the CLEC(s) and Embarq. Loops and other services were verified from the orders placed by the CLEC(s) with Embarq.

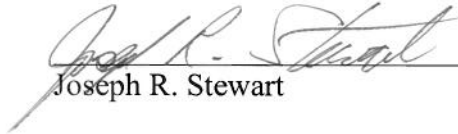
Respectfully submitted,



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

It is hereby certified that a true copy of the foregoing Response to Staff's First Set of Data Requests was served via first class mail, postage prepaid this 2nd day of December, 2008 to the persons listed below.



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