

The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
TELECOMMUNICATIONS APPLICATION FORM
for
ILECs Not Subject to Alternative Regulation
(Effective November 14, 2008)

In the Matter of the Application of Benton Ridge Telephone)
Company to add a TRS charge to its Tariff) TRF Docket No. **90-5007-TP-TRF**
) Case No. **09 - 270 - TP - ZTA**
) **NOTE: Unless you have reserved a Case # or are filing a Contract,**
leave the "Case No" fields BLANK.

Name of Company Benton Ridge Telephone Company
Address of Company 140 Main Street, P. O. Box 180, Benton Ridge, Ohio 45816
Company Web Address _____
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Regulatory Contact Person's Email Address Carolyn.Flahive@ThompsonHine.com
Date _____

Motion for protective order included with filing? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Motion for waiver(s) filed affecting this case? ☐ Yes ☒ No [Note: waiver(s) tolls any automatic timeframe]

NOTE:

- 1) Not-For-Profit companies must use the NFP application Form (See 05-1303-TP-COI (No not use this App Form)).
- 2) For requirements for various applications, see the identified section of Ohio Administrative Code Section 4901.
- 3) Information regarding the number of copies required by the Commission may be obtained from the Commission's web site at www.puco.ohio.gov under the docketing information system section, by calling the docketing division at 614-466-4095, or by visiting the docketing division at the offices of the Commission.
- 4) This form must accompany:
 - ✓ All automatic approval/notice applications filed by incumbent local exchange companies (ILECs) not subject to a qualifying alternative regulation plan when making an application pursuant to Case Nos. 84-944-TP-COI, 86-1144-TP-COI, 89-564-TP-COI, or 99-563-TP-COI.
 - ✓ All non-automatic approval applications filed by incumbent local exchange companies (ILECs) not subject to a qualifying alternative regulation plan when making an application pursuant to Section 4909.18, Ohio Revised Code.

I. Please indicate the reason for submitting this form (check one)

Retail Filings

- ☐ 1 (AEC) Application For Approval Of A Customer Contract For Competitive Services (pursuant to 84-944-TP-COI & 86-1144-TP-COI)
☐ a. Stand-Alone Contract (90-day approval, 7 copies)
☐ b. Pre-Approved Contract (0-day notice, 7 copies)
- ☐ 2 (ACO) ILEC Application for Change in Ownership Pursuant to 4905.402, Ohio Revised Code (30-day approval, 10 copies)
- ☐ 3 (ALI) Small, For-Profit, ILEC Application For A Limited Increase In Non-Basic Rates (60-day approval, 10 copies)
- ☐ 4 (ATA) Application For Tariff Amendment - Retail Tariff - That Does Not Result In An Increase In Rates
Small, for-profit ILECs (45-day approval, 10 copies)
- ☒ 5 (ZTA) Tariff Notification Not For An Increase In Rates Involving Message Toll, Toll-Free Service, 900 And 900-Like Services, 500 Service, Calling Card, Prepaid Calling Card, Private Line, and Speed Dialing In Accordance With Waiver Granted in 99-563-TP-COI (5/11/2000 and 11/21/2002) (0-day notice, 7 copies)
NOTE: Notifications do not require or imply Commission Approval.
- ☐ 6 (Non-Auto) All Others (non-automatic approval, indicate appropriate 3 letter code for case type in Case No. above)

Carrier to Carrier Filings

- ☐ 7 (ATA) Application For Tariff Amendment - Access Tariff Applications pursuant to Rule 4901:1-7-14(B) of O.A.C. (30-day approval)
- ☐ 8 (NAG) Negotiated Carrier-to-Carrier Interconnection Agreement under Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act (90-day approval) & Rule 4901:1-7 of O.A.C
- ☐ 9 (ARB) Request for Arbitration of a Carrier-to-Carrier Interconnection Agreement under Section 252 of the Telecommunications Act. (non-automatic) & Rule 4901:1-7 of O.A.C

II. The following exhibits corresponding to the list of cases above, at a minimum, are required to be filed:

x	3, 4, 5, 6, 7	Current Tariff Sheets (to be superseded), if applicable
x	3, 4, 5, 6, 7	Proposed Tariff Sheets
x	2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7	Rationale or Explanation for Change
<input type="checkbox"/>	1	Justification for Competitive Treatment
<input type="checkbox"/>	2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7	Customer Notice to customers affected by proposal, and statement as to the form and timing of the notice
<input type="checkbox"/>	1, 8	Copy of Contract
<input type="checkbox"/>	9	Filing Requirements are specified in 4901:1-7-09(D) of the Ohio Administrative Code

III. Applicant is filing this application under the regulatory requirements:

☒ Established by the Commission in Case No. 89-564-TP-COI.

☐ Established in 4909.18 Ohio Revised Code.

IV. Applicant respectfully requests the Commission to permit the filing of the proposed tariff sheets, to become effective on the date shown on the proposed tariff sheets (which is a date no earlier than the day after the applicable automatic approval date), modified by any further revisions that have become effective prior to the effective date of the proposed schedule sheets.

Respectfully submitted,

BENTON RIDGE TELEPHONE COMPANY

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VERIFICATION

I verify that all of the information submitted herein, and all additional information submitted in connection with this case, is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

/s/ Carolyn S. Flahive

*(Signature and Title)

3/26/09

(Date)

*Verification is required for every filing, and need **not** be notarized except for Applications for a Limited Increase in Rates (ALIs). The verification may be signed by an officer of the applicant, its counsel, or an authorized agent of the applicant, except for ALIs. ALI applications must be signed by an officer of the company and be notarized.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this ____ day of ____ 200_.

Notary Public, State of Ohio

My commission expires _____

EXHIBIT A
(CURRENT TARIFF SHEETS)

INDEX (con't)

	<u>Section</u>	<u>Sheet No.</u>	
Non-Published Numbers Charges	1	3	
New Bavaria Exchange	1	2	
North Creek Exchange	1	1 – 2	
Number Change	1	3	
Ownership of Equipment	4	6	
Payment of Charges	4	6	
Personal Account Code	2	5	(N)
Private Line Services	5	1	
Resale and Shared Tenant Services (STS)	2	16 – 17	
Responsibility of Subscribers	4	7	
Service Connection Assistance	3	1 – 2	
Service Connection Charges	1	3	
Service Interruptions	4	6	
Special Assemblages	4	7	
Subscriber Billing Adjustments	4	6	
Telecommunications Service Priority (TSP) System	4	7	
Toll Blocking Policy	4	3 – 4	
Touch Tone Charges	1	4	
Vacation Rates	1	4	
Wide Area Telephone Service	5	1	
900 Services Call Blocking	2	15	

EXHIBIT B
(PROPOSED TARIFF SHEETS)

P.U.C.O. NO. 7

INDEX (con't)

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TRS Assessment	1	4.1	(N)
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P.U.C.O. NO. 7
LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE TARIFF

G. TELECOMMUNICATIONS RELAY SERVICES (TRS) (N)

Customers may be assessed a monthly charge per line to fund the Telecommunications Relay Services for the State of Ohio in accordance with section 4905.84 of the Revised Code. This charge shall in no event exceed the per end user line (or equivalent) assessment of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio levied upon the Company.

EXHIBIT C

The Applicant, Benton Ridge Telephone Company, hereby adds a TRS surcharge to its tariff pursuant to Ohio Adm. Code 4901:1-6-24(G). Because the Applicant has not yet decided whether or when to begin assessing the surcharge, it has not yet provided customer notice. When and if the Applicant decides to assess the surcharge, it will provide customers with notice in accordance with Ohio Adm. Code 4901:1-6-24(G).

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Summary: Tariff to add a TRS charge to its tariff electronically filed by Carolyn S Flahive on behalf of The Benton Ridge Telephone Company