The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio TELECOMMUNICATIONS FILING FORM

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In the Matter of the Application of Cincinnati Bell Telephone Company LLC to Revise its Lifeline Recovery Surcharge)))	TRF Docket No. 90- <u>5013</u> Case No. <u>11</u> - <u>1339</u> - NOTE: Unless you have reserved a C BLANK.	
Name of Registrant(s) Cincinnati Bell Telephone Company	' LLC		
DBA(s) of Registrant(s)			
Address of Registrant(s) 221 East Fourth Street, Cincinnation	i, OH 45202	2	
Company Web Address <u>cincinnatibell.com</u>			
Regulatory Contact Person(s) <u>Robert Wilhelm</u>		Phone <u>513-397-6858</u>	Fax 513-421-1367
Regulatory Contact Person's Email Address <u>bob.wilhelm@</u>	einbell.con	<u>1</u>	
Contact Person for Annual Report <u>Robert Wilhelm</u>			Phone 513-397-6858
Address (if different from above)			
Consumer Contact Information Kathy Campbell			Phone <u>513-397-1296</u>
Address (if different from above)			
Motion for protective order included with filing? Yes] No		
Motion for waiver(s) filed affecting this case? Yes	No [Note:	Waivers may toll any automatic	timeframe.]

Notes:

Section I and II are Pursuant to Chapter <u>4901:1-6 OAC</u>

Section III – Carrier to Carrier is Pursuant to 4901:1-7 OAC, and Wireless is Pursuant to 4901:1-6-24 OAC. Section IV – Attestation

(1) Indicate the Carrier Type and the reason for submitting this form by checking the boxes below.

(2) For requirements for various applications, see the identified section of Ohio Administrative Code Section 4901 and/or the supplemental application form noted.

(3) Information regarding the number of copies required by the Commission may be obtained from the Commission's web site at <u>www.puco.ohio.gov</u> 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) An Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier (ILEC) offering basic local exchange service (BLES) outside its traditional service area should choose CLEC designation when proposing to offer BLES outside its traditional service area or when proposing to make changes to that service.

All Filings that result in a change to one or more tariff pages require, at a minimum, the following exhibits.

Exhibit	Description:
А	The tariff pages subject to the proposed change(s) as they exist before the change(s)
В	The Tariff pages subject to the proposed change(s), reflecting the change, with the change(s) marked in the
	right margin.
С	A short description of the nature of the change(s), the intent of the change(s), and the customers affected.
D	A copy of the notice provided to customers, along with an affidavit that the notice was provided according to
	the applicable rule(s).

Section I – Part I - Common Filings

Carrier Type Other (explain below)	For Profit ILEC	Not For Profit ILEC	
Change terms & conditions of existing BLES	ATA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (Auto 30 days)	ATA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (Auto 30 days)	ATA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (Auto 30 days)
Introduce non-recurring charge, surcharge, or fee to BLES			ATA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (Auto 30 days)
Introduce or Increase Late Payment	ATA <u>1-6-14(1)</u> (Auto 30 days)	ATA <u>1-6-14(1)</u> (Auto 30 days)	ATA <u>1-6-14(1)</u> (Auto 30 days)
Revisions to BLES Cap.	$\Box ZTA 1-6-14(F)$ (0 day Notice)		
Introduce BLES or expand local service area (calling area)	$\Box ZTA 1-6-14(H)$ (0 day Notice)	$\Box ZTA 1-6-14(H) (0 day Notice)$	ZTA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (0 day Notice)
Notice of no obligation to construct facilities and provide BLES	ZTA <u>1-6-27(C)</u> (0 day Notice)	ZTA <u>1-6-27(C)</u> (0 day Notice)	
Change BLES Rates	$\Box \text{ TRF } \frac{1-6-14(F)}{(0 \text{ day Notice})}$	$\Box \text{ TRF } 1-6-14(F)(4)(0 day Notice)$	TRF <u>1-6-14(G)</u> (0 day Notice)
To obtain BLES pricing flexibility	BLS <u>1-6-14</u> (C)(1)(c) (Auto 30 days)		
Change in boundary	ACB <u>1-6-32</u> (Auto 14 days)	ACB <u>1-6-32</u> (Auto 14 days)	
Expand service operation area			TRF <u>1-6-08(G)</u> (0 day)
BLES withdrawal			ZTA <u>1-6-25(B)</u> (0 day Notice)
Other* (<i>explain</i>) Lifeline Recovery Surcharge True-Up			

Section I – Part II – Customer Notification Offerings Pursuant to Chapter 4901:1-6-7 OAC

Type of Notice	Direct Mail	Bill Insert	Bill Notation	Electronic Mail
15-day Notice				
30-day Notice				
Date Notice Sent:	·	·		•

Section I – Part III – IOS Offerings Pursuant to Chapter 4901:1-6-22 OAC

IOS	Introduce New	Tariff Change	Price Change	Withdraw

Section II – Part I – Carrier Certification - Pursuant to Chapter 4901:1-6-08, 09 & 10 OAC

Certification	ILEC	CLEC	Carrier's Not	CESTC	CETC
Certification	(Out of Territory)		Offering BLES		
* See Supplemental	ACE <u>1-6-08</u>	ACE <u>1-6-08</u>	ACE <u>1-6-</u> 08	ACE <u>1-6-</u> 10	UNC <u>1-6-</u> 09
form	* (Auto 30- day)	*(Auto 30 day)	*(Auto 30 day)	(Auto 30 day)	*(Non-Auto)

*Supplemental Certification forms can be found on the Commission Web Page.

Section II – Part II – Certificate Status & Procedural

Certificate Status	ILEC	CLEC	Carrier's Not Offering BLES
Abandon all Services		ABN <u>1-6-26</u> (Auto 30 days)	ABN <u>1-6-26</u> (Auto 30 days)
Change of Official Name *	ACN <u>1-6-29(B)</u>	ACN <u>1-6-29(B)</u>	CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u>
	(Auto 30 days)	(Auto 30 days)	(0 day Notice)
Change in Ownership *	ACO <u>1-6-29(E)</u>	ACO <u>1-6-29(E)</u>	CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u>
	(Auto 30 days)	(Auto 30 days)	(0 day Notice)
Merger *	AMT <u>1-6-29(E)</u>	AMT <u>1-6-29(E)</u>	CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u>
	(Auto 30 days)	(Auto 30 days)	(0 day Notice)
Transfer a Certificate *	ATC <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	$\square ATC \underline{1-6-29(B)}$ (Auto 30 days)	CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u> (0 day Notice)
Transaction for transfer or lease of property, plant or business *	ATR <u>1-6-29(B)</u>	ATR <u>1-6-29(B)</u>	CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u>
	(Auto 30 days)	(Auto 30 days)	(0 day Notice)

* Other exhibits may be required under the applicable rule(s). ACN, ACO, AMT, ATC, ATR and CIO applications see <u>the 4901:1-6-29 Filing Requirements on the Commission's Web Page</u> for a complete list of exhibits.

Section III – Carrier to Carrier (Pursuant to 4901:1-7), and Wireless (Pursuant to 4901:1-6-24)

Carrier to Carrier	ILEC	CLEC
Interconnection agreement, or amendment to	□ NAG <u>1-7-07</u>	□ NAG <u>1-7-07</u>
an approved agreement	(Auto 90 day)	(Auto 90 day)
Request for Arbitration	ARB <u>1-7-09</u>	ARB <u>1-7-09</u>
· 1 · · · · · · · · · ·	(Non-Auto)	(Non-Auto)
Introduce or change c-t-c service tariffs,	☐ ATA <u>1-7-14</u>	ATA <u>1-7-14</u>
	(Auto 30 day)	(Auto 30 day)
Request rural carrier exemption, rural carrier	UNC <u>1-7-04</u> or 05	
suspension or modification	(Non-Auto)	
Changes in rates, terms & conditions to Pole	\Box UNC 1-7-23(B)	
Attachment, Conduit Occupancy and Rights-	(Non-Auto)	
of-Way.		
	RCC	NAG
Wireless Providers See <u>4901:1-6-24</u>	[Registration &	[Interconnection
	Change in Operations]	Agreement or

Section IV. – Attestation

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

AFFIDAVIT Compliance with Commission Rules

I am an officer/agent of the applicant corporation, Cincinnati Bell Telephone Company LLC, and am authorized to make this statement on its behalf.

(Name) Theodore W. Heckmann

Please Check ALL that apply:

I attest that these tariffs comply with all applicable rules for the state of Ohio. I understand that tariff notification filings do not imply Commission approval and that the Commission's rules 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 attest that customer notices accompanying this filing form are will be sent to affected customers and all customers will receive these notices at least fifteen days in advance of the rate increase, as specified in Section II, in accordance with Rule 4901:1-6-7, Ohio Administrative Code.

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

at (Location) Cincinnati, Ohio Executed on (Date) April 29, 2013

*(Signature and Title)

(Date) <u>4/29/13</u>

/s/ Theodore W. Heckmann Managing Director of Regulatory Affairs and Assistant Corporate Secretary

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, Theodore W. Heckmann verify that I have utilized the Telecommunications Filing Form for most proceedings 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/ Theodore W. Heckmann

Managing Director of Regulatory Affairs and Assistant Corporate Secretary

*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 0r Make such filing electronically as directed in Case No 06-900-AU-WVR

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(Date) 4/29/13

Exhibit A

Current Tariff Page

LOCAL SERVICE TARIFF PUCO NO. 1

CINCINNATI BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY LLC

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LIFELINE

B. LIFELINE RECOVERY SURCHARGE

1. General

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The Company's Lifeline Recovery Surcharge is calculated to recover the difference between the Company's Lifeline prices and the Company's standard retail service prices, minus any portion of the price differences that are recovered through federal or state funding. The Company will update this calculation at least once per year in accordance with 4901:1-6-19 (R) O.A.C.

The Lifeline Recovery Surcharge is imposed on each residence, nonresidence, and payphone access line, other than Lifeline service. For purposes of application of this surcharge, access lines are defined as facilities, which provide access to and from the telecommunications network for toll service and for local calling. Not included in this definition are remote call forwarding and Cincinnati Bell official accounts.

2. Rates and Charges

Monthly Charge

Lifeline Recovery Surcharge, per Line:

\$ 0.12

(R)

Issued: January 29, 2013

By: Ted Heckmann, Assistant Secretary and Managing Director, Regulatory Affairs Effective: February 1, 2013

In accordance with Case No. 11-2990-TP-ATA

Exhibit B

Revised Tariff Page

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2. Rates and Charges

Monthly Charge

Lifeline Recovery Surcharge, per Line:

\$ 0.13

(I)

Issued: April 30, 2013

By: Ted Heckmann, Assistant Secretary and Managing Director, Regulatory Affairs Effective: July 2, 2013

In accordance with Case No. 11-1339-TP-ATA

Exhibit C

Description of Filing

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Cincinnati Bell Telephone Company LLC (CBT) is making this filing as its annual Lifeline Recovery Surcharge report in compliance with 4901:1-6-19(R), O.A.C.. CBT's April 7, 2011 Supplemental Filing in this docket established May 1 as the date for filing the annual report. Additionally, CBT is filing, pursuant to 4901:1-6-19(P)(1), O.A.C., to adjust its Lifeline Recovery Surcharge from \$0.12 to \$0.13, effective July 2, 2013, as explained below.

ANNUAL REPORT

CBT's historic and projected Lifeline service expenses, amounts recovered through the Lifeline Recovery Surcharge, and true-up calculation are detailed in the accompanying worksheets. The calculation of the Lifeline expenses follows the same methodology as described in CBT's January 29, 2013 filing in this docket for Lifeline enrollments beginning August 1, 2012. That is, the expense calculation includes <u>only</u> BLES customers who purchase Lifeline and thus receive the additional monthly Lifeline discount for BLES shown in CBT Local Service Tariff, PUCO No. 1, Section 4, 4th Revised Page 9. CBT continued to calculate the historic surcharge revenue from actual monthly billing and adjustments.¹ The net result is an under-recovery of \$1,590 since inception of the Lifeline Recovery Surcharge in May 2011 through March 2013.

RATE ADJUSTMENT

The proposed increase to the Lifeline Recovery Surcharge results, at least in part, from an increase in the number of Lifeline subscribers since December 2012. The number of CBT Lifeline customers decreased significantly in December 2012 when CBT de-enrolled Lifeline subscribers who did not recertify their continued Lifeline eligibility through the annual Lifeline audit. (CBT decreased the Lifeline Recovery Surcharge accordingly, effective February 1, 2013. See January 29, 2013 filing in Case No. 11-1339-TP-ATA.) However, some de-enrolled customers subsequently re-enrolled in CBT Lifeline, resulting in an overall increase in CBT's Lifeline subscribership. Consequently, CBT's Lifeline service expenses are greater than projected in the January filing.

CBT's Lifeline Recovery surcharge has under recovered expenses by \$1,590 since its inception in May 2011. Additionally, CBT projects that the Lifeline Recovery Surcharge revenue in April 2013 will under-recovery expenses equal to the under-recovery in March, 2013. As with previous true-up calculations, CBT calculated the ratio of the current monthly Lifeline expenses including the true-up adjustment, to current surcharge revenue and applied this ratio to the current surcharge (\$0.12) to calculate the revised surcharge (\$0.13). These calculations are shown in detail on the accompanying worksheets. This rate increase will be effective July 2, 2013 to allow CBT time to provide customers with advance notice of the increase, as described in Exhibit D.

¹ CBT bills the Lifeline Recovery Surcharge in advance to be consistent with access line billing. Because of the advance billing, February 2013 revenue includes bill credits to adjust for the Lifeline Recovery Surcharge rate reduction that was effective February 1, 2013.

Cincinnati Bell Telephone Company Lifeline Surcharge True-Up Calculation April 2013

	BLES Alt	BLES Lifeline 2013				Total		
	Reg Add'l	Enrollment CBT Funded Lifeline Discount			СВТ			
	LL Discount							Funded
Exchange	(Note 1)	Jan	Feb	Mar	Jan	Feb	Mar	Lifeline
	(A)		(B)		(0	C) = (A) * (B	5)	Discounts
Bethany	\$3.75	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted
Bethel	\$1.25	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted
Cincinnati	\$6.25	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted
Clermont	\$2.50	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted
Hamilton	\$6.25	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted
Harrison	\$3.75	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted
Little Miami	\$3.75	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted
Newtonsville	\$2.50	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted
Reily	\$1.25	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted
Seven Mile	\$1.25	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted
Shandon	\$1.25	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted
Williamsburg	\$3.75	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted
Total		Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted
			Surcharge	e Revenue	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted
			Residen		Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted
			Busines	S	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted
			Coin		Redacted	Redacted	Redacted	Redacted
		C	Over/Under	Recovery	\$20,964	(\$12,385)	(\$1,702)	\$6,877

Note 1: In addition to the federal \$9.25 Lifeline discount, Lifeline customers with BLES receive a CBT funded Lifeline discount equal to the total price increase for BLES under previous alternative regulation rules (4901:1-4-11 O.A.C., effective August 7, 2006) which capped Lifeline prices for BLES at the prices in effect when the previous alternative regulation plan became effective. This discount varies by exchange depending on the number of years BLES price flexibility was effective and the BLES price increases implemented in the exchange. See Case No. 12-1701-TP-ATA and CBT Local Service Tariff, PUCO No. 1, Section 4, 4th Revised Page 9 for additional detail regarding the Lifeline discount for BLES.

Cincinnati Bell Telephone Company Lifeline Surcharge True-Up Calculation April 2013

A	January 2013 True-Up Filing - Historic Shortfall (See January 29, 2013 Filing in Case No. 11-1339-TP-ATA)	(\$8,467)
В	Surcharge Revenue January 2013 - March 2013 Note: February revenue includes credits resulting from advance billing of the Lifeline Recovery Surcharge prior to the rate decrease that was effective February 1, 2013.	Redacted
С	CBT Funded Lifeline Discounts January 2013 - March 2013	Redacted
D = B - C + A	Historic Shortfall (Revenue minus Discounts) May 2011 - Mar 2013	(\$1,590)
E	April 2013 Estimated Surcharge Revenue minus CBT Funded Lifeline Discounts (Assumed same as March 2013)	(\$1,702)
F = D + E	Net Revenue for True-Up	(\$3,292)
G	Months the Revised Lifeline Surcharge will Apply Note: Assumes no changes to the Lifeline Recovery Surcharge other than annual true up.	12
H = F / G	Average Revenue True-Up per Month	(\$274)
I	Current CBT Funded Lifeline Discounts per Month (Mar 2013)	Redacted
J = H - I	Monthly Lifeline Expenses to Recover via Surcharge (Current revenue adjusted for monthly true up.)	Redacted
К	Current Monthly Surcharge Revenue (Mar 2013)	Redacted
L = J / K	Ratio of Monthly Lifeline Expenses to Monthly Surcharge Revenue	1.0478
М	Current Surcharge	\$0.12
N = M * L	New Surcharge Rate = Current Surcharge Rate * Ratio Note: This calculation assumes that the percentage change in Lifeline lines is the same as the percentage change in total lines over time.	\$0.13

Exhibit D

Customer Notice

Customer Notice

In accordance with 4901:1-6-07(A), O.A.C., CBT will provide advance notice of the increase to the Lifeline Recovery Surcharge via bill message beginning with bills dated May 16, 2013. The bill message will read "Effective July 2, 2013, the Lifeline Recovery Surcharge will increase from \$0.12 to \$0.13." CBT will send this bill message to all non-Lifeline customers.

In accordance with 4901:1-6-07(D), O.A.C., CBT will provide a copy of this notice to the Commission Staff by e-mailing the Commission-provided mailbox when CBT begins providing this notice to its customers.

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Summary: Application to Revise Lifeline Recovery Surcharge electronically filed by Mr. Douglas E. Hart on behalf of Cincinnati Bell Telephone Company LLC