# The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

# TELECOMMUNICATIONS FILING FORM

(Effective: 01/20/2011)

This form is intended to be used with most types of required filings. It provides check boxes with rule references for the most common types of filings. It does not replace or supersede Commission rules in any way.

In the Matter of the Application of Teleport Communications America, LLC to increase the Late Payment Charge (Factor).  TRF Docket No. 90-9010 Case No. 16 - 1822 - NOTE: Unless you have reser BLANK.	
Name of Registrant(s) <u>Teleport Communications America, LLC</u>	
DBA(s) of Registrant(s) $N/A$	
Address of Registrant(s) 225 W. Randolph St., 27C490, Chicago, IL 60606	
Company Web Address <u>www.att.com</u>	
Regulatory Contact Person(s) <u>Mary C. Latek</u> Phone <u>312-696-</u>	3614 Fax 312-727-4771
Regulatory Contact Person's Email Address <u>mckaram@att.com</u>	
Contact Person for Annual Report <u>MaryAnn Mackey</u>	Phone <u>216-822-0086</u>
Address (if different from above)	
Consumer Contact Information <u>Customer CARE</u>	Phone 800-222-0300
Address (if different from above) 777 NW Blue Pkwy, Lees Summit, MO 64086	
Motion for protective order included with filing?  Yes X No	
Motion for waiver(s) filed affecting this case?   Yes X No [Note: Waivers may toll any autor	matic timeframe.]
Notes:	
Section I and II are Demonstrate Chapter 4001.1 COAC	

- Section I and II are Pursuant to Chapter 4901:1-6 OAC
- 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 <a href="https://www.puco.ohio.gov">www.puco.ohio.gov</a> 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:
A	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 Prof	fit ILEC	☐ Not For I	Profit ILEC	<b>Ø</b> C	LEC	
Change terms & conditions 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 ch surcharge, or fee to BLES	arge,					(Auto 3	TA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> 30 days)	
Introduce or Increase Late	Payment	ATA <u>1</u> - (Auto 30 day	ys)	ATA <u>1-6-14(I)</u> (Auto 30 days)		ATA <u>1-6-14(1)</u> (Auto 30 days)		
Revisions to BLES Cap.		ZTA <u>1-0</u> (0 day Notic	e)					
Introduce BLES or expand service area (calling area)	local	ZTA <u>1-0</u> (0 day Notic	e)	ZTA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (0 day Notice)			'A <u>1-6-14(H)</u> Notice)	
Notice of no obligation to of facilities and provide BLES		ZTA <u>1-0</u> (0 day Notic	e)	ZTA <u>1-6-</u> (0 day Notice	)			
Change BLES Rates		TRF <u>1-6</u> (0 day Notic		TRF <u>1-6-</u> (0 day Notice	TRF <u>1-6-14(F)(4)</u> O day Notice)		TRF <u>1-6-14(G)</u> (0 day Notice)	
To obtain BLES pricing fle	exibility	BLS <u>1-6-6</u> (C)(1)(c) (Auto 30 da	ıys)					
Change in boundary	ACB <u>1-</u> (Auto 14 da			ACB <u>1-6-32</u> (Auto 14 days)				
Expand service operation a							2F <u>1-6-08(G)</u> (0 day)	
BLES withdrawal	BLES withdrawal						'A <u>1-6-25(B)</u> Notice)	
Other* (explain)	Other* (explain)					TR		
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								
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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	
□ IOS								

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

Cantification	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)

<sup>\*</sup>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> (Auto 30 days)	ACN <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u> (0 day Notice)
Change in Ownership *	ACO <u>1-6-29(E)</u> (Auto 30 days)	ACO <u>1-6-29(E)</u> (Auto 30 days)	CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u> (0 day Notice)
Merger *	AMT <u>1-6-29(E)</u> (Auto 30 days)	AMT <u>1-6-29(E)</u> (Auto 30 days)	CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u> (0 day Notice)
Transfer a Certificate *	ATC <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	ATC <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (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> (Auto 30 days)	ATR <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u> (0 day Notice)

<sup>\*</sup> Other exhibits may be required under the applicable rule(s). ACN, ACO, AMT, ATC, ATR and CIO applications see the 4901:1-6-29 Filing Requirements on the Commission's Web Page 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>	
Request for Arbitration	(Non-Auto)	(Non-Auto)	
Introduce or change of a service teriffs	ATA <u>1-7-14</u>	X ATA <u>1-7-14</u>	
Introduce or change c-t-c service tariffs,	(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	☐ UNC 1-7-23(B)		
Attachment, Conduit Occupancy and Rights-	(Non-Auto)		
of-Way.			
	RCC	□NAG	
Wireless Providers See 4901:1-6-24	[Registration &	[Interconnection	
	Change in Operations]	Agreement or	

# 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,	Mary C. Latek	, and am authorized to make this statement on its behalf.		
(Name) Mary C. Latek				
Please Check ALL that apply:				
imply Commission approval and that the Commiss	ion's rules as modified and cla ith the rules of the state of Ol	o. I understand that tariff notification filings do not urified from time to time, supersede any contradictory nio and understand that noncompliance can result in state of Ohio.		
☑ I attest that customer notices accompanying this filing form were sent to affected customers, 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	g is true and correct.			
Executed on (Date) September 1, 2016 at (Loc	cation) <u>Chicago, IL</u>			
	*(Signature and Title Manager	e) /s/Mary C. Latek, (Date) September 1, 2016		
• This affidavit is required for every tariff-agauthorized agent of the applicant.	ffecting filing. It may be signe	ed by counsel or an officer of the applicant, or an		
	<u>VERIFICATION</u>			
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	_	n for most proceedings provided by the Commission		

\*(Signature and Title) /s/Mary C. Latek, Manager

to the best of my knowledge.

(Date) September 1, 2016

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

<sup>\*</sup>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.

# Exhibit A

SECTION 2 ORIGINAL SHEET 21

ISSUED: NOVEMBER 30, 2012 EFFECTIVE: JANUARY 1, 2013 LINDA GUAY, DIRECTOR

#### 2. GENERAL REGULATIONS

#### 2.4 PAYMENTS AND CHARGES (continued)

#### 2.4.7 Late Payment Charge

The Company may apply a Late Payment Charge if any portion of the Customer's payment is received by the Company after the payment due date or if any portion of the payment is received by the Company in funds which are not immediately available, providing billing capability exists.

The late factor shall be 1.0% per month unless an applicable law or regulation specifies a lower interest rate to be charged or portion thereof applied from the 31st calendar day after payment date to and including the date that the Company actually receives the payment. The Late Payment Charge shall be assessed monthly, based on the delinquent balance maintained on the account at the time.

#### 2.4.8 Charge Increases

The Company reserves the right to increase charges for Services provided to the customer, regardless of any term commitment, as a result of (a) expenses incurred by the Company reasonably relating to regulatory assessments stemming from an order, rule or regulation of any regulatory authority or court having competent jurisdiction; (b) other governmental charges or fees; c) charges or payment obligations imposed on the Company related to termination of domestic or international calls to mobile numbers; or (d) reductions in amounts other carriers are required to pay to the Company or increases in the amount the Company is required to pay to other carriers. Customers with tariffed based contracts will be held to the terms and conditions of their contract until such contract is expired.

# Exhibit B

SECTION 2

FIRST REVISED SHEET 21 CANCELS ORIGINAL SHEET 21

ISSUED: SEPTEMBER 1, 2016 EFFECTIVE: OCTOBER 1, 2016 LINDA GUAY, DIRECTOR

#### 2. GENERAL REGULATIONS

#### 2.4 PAYMENTS AND CHARGES (continued)

#### 2.4.7 Late Payment Charge

The Company may apply a Late Payment Charge if any portion of the Customer's payment is received by the Company after the payment due date or if any portion of the payment is received by the Company in funds which are not immediately available, providing billing capability exists.

The Late Payment interest rate (late factor) shall be 1.5% per month unless an applicable law or regulation specifies a lower interest rate to be charged, which lowr rate shall then apply. The late factor shall be applied from the  $31^{\rm st}$  calendar day after payment date to and including the date that the Company actually receives the payment. The Late Payment Charge shall be assessed monthly, based on the delinquent balance maintained on the account at the time.

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Filed in accordance with PUCO Case No. 16-1822-TP-ATA.

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# **EXHIBIT C**

Teleport Communications America LLC is filing this application to modify its tariff to revise rates for the Late Payment Charge (Factor).

# **EXHIBIT D**

Customer notice was sent via bill insert, as, informing customers of a rate increase for the Late Payment Interest Rate (Factor) for business customers.

A customer notice affidavit also follows.

# BILL MESSAGE FOR LATE PAYMENT INTEREST RATE INCREASE

To be run in August and September 2016

**NOTICE OF RATE INCREASE:** Effective October 1, 2016, the Late Payment interest rate (late factor) will increase from 1.0% to 1.5% per month unless an applicable law or regulation specifies a lower rate to be charged, which lower rate shall then apply. For assistance with questions regarding this increase, please contact the company directly at the

For assistance with questions regarding this increase, please contact the company directly at the toll-free Billing Inquiries number: 888 227-3824.

# **CUSTOMER NOTICE AFFIDAVIT**

# **AFFIDAVIT**

I, Mary C. Latek, am an authorized agent of the applicant corporation, Teleport Communications America, LLC., and am authorized to make this statement on its behalf. I attest that the customer notice(s) accompanying this affidavit will be sent to affected customers via bill insert in the May and August 2016 customer bills, in accordance with Rule 4901:1-6-07, Ohio Administrative Code. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Signature: Mary C. Latek

September 1, 2016

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