

**BEFORE
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO**

In the Matter of the Application of Cox Ohio)	Case No.16-1940-TP-ATA
Telcom, LLC to modify its Local Access)	
Services Tariff P.U.C.O. Tariff No. 1.)	TRF No. 90-9361-TP-TRF
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**REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
SUBMITTED ON BEHALF OF THE STAFF OF
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO**

On September 26, 2016, Cox Ohio Telcom, LLC (Cox) filed an ATA seeking to revise its Local Access Service Tariff P.U.C.O. No. 1. In this application, Cox proposes to increase the current and max rate of the “Line Installation Charge-Professional Install” and to introduce two new non-recurring charges, “Line Connection-Self Installation” and “Line Connection-Failure of Self Install”. The current and proposed installation charges pertain only to new customers of basic local exchange service (BLES), therefore, a customer notice is unnecessary.

The “Line Connection-Self Installation” charge is a discounted option for new BLES customers to activate their in-home equipment using the self-installation kit. The “Line Connection-Failure of Self Install” charge is applicable if the self installation fails, through no fault of the company, and a technician must be dispatched to complete the installation at the customer’s premise. In no instance will the customer be charged a total of more than one professional installation charge.

Therefore, pursuant to 4901:1-6-14(H)(2) O.A.C. of the Telephone Company Procedures and Standards, an application to introduce a non-recurring service charge pertaining to basic local exchange service (BLES) by a CLEC must be filed as an ATA tariff amendment subject to the thirty-day automatic approval process. The Staff reviewed all documents and exhibits filed with this application and found them to be compliant with Commission rules, as amended on September 29 and October 24, 2016. Thus, Staff has determined that the proposed increase and introduction of line installation charges to the local access tariff appear to satisfy the Commission’s requirements set forth in 4901:1-6-14 of the Administrative Code. Staff recommends that this application be approved on October 26, 2016 with an effective date of November 1, 2016, as requested by the company.

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