

*The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio*  
**TELECOMMUNICATIONS FILING FORM**

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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 Cincinnati Bell )  
Telephone Company, LLC. )  
to revise tariff to comply with Lifeline Modernization Order )

TRF Docket No. 90-5013

Case No. 16 - 2283 - **TP** - TRF

NOTE: Unless you have reserved a Case #, leave the "Case No" fields BLANK.

Name of Registrant(s) Cincinnati Bell Telephone Company, LLC.

DBA(s) of Registrant(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Registrant(s) 221 E. Fourth Street, Cincinnati, OH 45201

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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 [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 [www.puco.ohio.gov](http://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) 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)
B	The Tariff pages subject to the proposed change(s), reflecting the change, with the change(s) marked in the right margin.
C	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

<b>Carrier Type</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Other</b> (explain below)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>For Profit ILEC</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Not For Profit ILEC</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>CLEC</b>
Change terms & conditions of existing BLES	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <a href="#">1-6-14(H)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <a href="#">1-6-14(H)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <a href="#">1-6-14(H)</a> (Auto 30 days)
Introduce non-recurring charge, surcharge, or fee to BLES			<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <a href="#">1-6-14(H)</a> (Auto 30 days)
Introduce or Increase Late Payment	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <a href="#">1-6-14(I)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <a href="#">1-6-14(I)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <a href="#">1-6-14(I)</a> (Auto 30 days)
Revisions to BLES Cap.	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA <a href="#">1-6-14(F)</a> (0 day Notice)		
Introduce BLES or expand local service area (calling area)	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA <a href="#">1-6-14(H)</a> (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA <a href="#">1-6-14(H)</a> (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA <a href="#">1-6-14(H)</a> (0 day Notice)
Notice of no obligation to construct facilities and provide BLES	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA <a href="#">1-6-27(C)</a> (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA <a href="#">1-6-27(C)</a> (0 day Notice)	
Change BLES Rates	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF <a href="#">1-6-14(F)</a> (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF <a href="#">1-6-14(F)(4)</a> (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF <a href="#">1-6-14(G)</a> (0 day Notice)
To obtain BLES pricing flexibility	<input type="checkbox"/> BLS <a href="#">1-6-14(C)(1)(c)</a> (Auto 30 days)		
Change in boundary	<input type="checkbox"/> ACB <a href="#">1-6-32</a> (Auto 14 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACB <a href="#">1-6-32</a> (Auto 14 days)	
Expand service operation area			<input type="checkbox"/> TRF <a href="#">1-6-08(G)</a> (0 day)
BLES withdrawal			<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA <a href="#">1-6-25(B)</a> (0 day Notice)
<b>Other*</b> (explain) _____	update in tariffed lifeline provisions directed by the PUCO in Case 16-1116-TP-COI to align with federal provisions		

## 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
<input type="checkbox"/> 15-day Notice	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> 30-day Notice	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Date Notice Sent:</b>				

## Section I – Part III –IOS Offerings Pursuant to Chapter [4901:1-6-22 OAC](#)

IOS	Introduce New	Tariff Change	Price Change	Withdraw
<input type="checkbox"/> IOS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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

Certification	ILEC (Out of Territory)	CLEC	Telecommunications Service Provider Not Offering Local	CESTC	CETC
* See Supplemental form	<input type="checkbox"/> ACE <a href="#">1-6-08</a> * (Auto 30- day)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACE <a href="#">1-6-08</a> * (Auto 30 day)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACE <a href="#">1-6-08</a> * (Auto 30 day)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACE <a href="#">1-6-10</a> (Auto 30 day)	<input type="checkbox"/> UNC <a href="#">1-6-09</a> * (Non-Auto)

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

## Section II – Part II – Certificate Status & Procedural

Certificate Status	ILEC	CLEC	Telecommunications Service Provider Not Offering Local
Abandon all Services		<input type="checkbox"/> ABN <a href="#">1-6-26</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ABN <a href="#">1-6-26</a> (Auto 30 days)
Change of Official Name *	<input type="checkbox"/> ACN <a href="#">1-6-29(B)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACN <a href="#">1-6-29(B)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO <a href="#">1-6-29(C)</a> (0 day Notice)
Change in Ownership *	<input type="checkbox"/> ACO <a href="#">1-6-29(E)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACO <a href="#">1-6-29(E)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO <a href="#">1-6-29(C)</a> (0 day Notice)
Merger *	<input type="checkbox"/> AMT <a href="#">1-6-29(E)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> AMT <a href="#">1-6-29(E)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO <a href="#">1-6-29(C)</a> (0 day Notice)
Transfer a Certificate *	<input type="checkbox"/> ATC <a href="#">1-6-29(B)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATC <a href="#">1-6-29(B)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO <a href="#">1-6-29(C)</a> (0 day Notice)
Transaction for transfer or lease of property, plant or business *	<input type="checkbox"/> ATR <a href="#">1-6-29(B)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATR <a href="#">1-6-29(B)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO <a href="#">1-6-29(C)</a> (0 day Notice)

\* 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 an approved agreement	<input type="checkbox"/> NAG <a href="#">1-7-07</a> (Auto 90 day)	<input type="checkbox"/> NAG <a href="#">1-7-07</a> (Auto 90 day)
Request for Arbitration	<input type="checkbox"/> ARB <a href="#">1-7-09</a> (Non-Auto)	<input type="checkbox"/> ARB <a href="#">1-7-09</a> (Non-Auto)
Introduce or change c-t-c service tariffs,	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <a href="#">1-7-14</a> (Auto 30 day)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <a href="#">1-7-14</a> (Auto 30 day)
Request rural carrier exemption, rural carrier suspension or modification	<input type="checkbox"/> UNC <a href="#">1-7-04</a> or 05 (Non-Auto)	
Changes in rates, terms & conditions to Pole Attachment, Conduit Occupancy and Rights- of-Way.	<input type="checkbox"/> UNC <a href="#">1-7-23(B)</a> (Non-Auto)	
<b>Wireless Providers</b> See <a href="#">4901:1-6-24</a>	<input type="checkbox"/> RCC [Registration & Change in Operations]	<input type="checkbox"/> NAG [Interconnection Agreement or

#### Section IV. – Attestation

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

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**AFFIDAVIT**  
***Compliance with Commission Rules***

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

Ted Heckmann  
(Name)

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 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 is true and correct.

Executed on (Date) November 30, 2016 at (Location) 221 East Fourth Street, 103-1080

\*(Signature and Title) /s/Ted Heckmann,  
Managing Director of Regulatory Affairs and  
Assistant Corporate Secretary

(Date) November 30,  
2016

- *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.*

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**VERIFICATION**

I, Ted 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/Ted Heckmann, Managing Director of Regulatory Affairs and Assistant (Date) November 30, 2016  
Corporate Secretary

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***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***

**EXHIBIT A**  
**(Current Tariff)**

LOCAL SERVICE TARIFF  
PUCO NO. 1

CINCINNATI BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY LLC

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LIFELINE (T)

A. LIFELINE ASSISTANCE

1. Regulations (T)

a. Benefits (T)

Lifeline shall be a flat-rate, monthly, primary access line service with touch-tone service, or any other services and bundles or packages of services, if available to customers, less the Lifeline discount, and shall provide the following:

1. A recurring discount to the monthly basic local exchange service rate or other local service rate (T) that provides for the maximum contribution of federally available assistance.
2. Not more than once per customer at a single address in a twelve-month period, a waiver of all (T) nonrecurring service order charges for establishing service. (See Note 1.)
3. Free blocking of toll service, 900 service and 976 service. (T)
4. A waiver of the federal universal service fund end user charge (T)
5. A waiver of the Company's local telephone service deposit requirement. (T)

Note 1: The Lifeline nonrecurring charge waiver applies only to establishing access line service. The waiver does not apply to nonrecurring charges for optional services or features ordered with the access line including charges to establish a service bundle.

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LOCAL SERVICE TARIFF  
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LIFELINE (T)

A. LIFELINE ASSISTANCE (Continued)

1. Regulations (T)

b. Eligibility (T)

Lifeline Assistance is available to residential customers who are currently participating in one of the following federal or state low-income assistance programs that limit assistance based on household income:

1. Federal Public Housing Assistance or Section 8 (T)
2. General Assistance, including disability assistance (DA)
3. Home Energy Assistance Programs (HEAP, LIHEAP, E-HEAP)
4. Medical Assistance under Chapter 5111 of the Ohio Revised Code (Medicaid) or any state program that might supplant Medicaid.
5. National School Lunch Program's Free Lunch Program
6. Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program (SNAP/Food Stamps)
7. Supplemental Security Income (SSI) under Title XVI of the Social Security Act
8. Supplemental Security Disability Insurance - blind and disabled (SSDI)
9. Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF/Ohio Works) (T)

Lifeline Assistance is also available to customers whose total household income is at or below one-hundred fifty percent (150%) of the federal poverty level.

The Company shall require as proof of eligibility for Lifeline Assistance a document, signed by the customer, that includes all customer identifying information, certifications, and documentation of (C) eligibility required by state and/or federal regulations. To fulfill these requirements, a Customer must complete, sign, and return the Company's Lifeline application form with documentation of Lifeline eligibility attached to the form. Lifeline benefits will begin once the completed application form and documentation of eligibility are reviewed and processed in accordance with any applicable state and federal requirements. Customers will not receive retro-active Lifeline credits for periods prior to receipt of the completed application and supporting documentation of eligibility. (C)

The Company shall establish procedures to verify and/or certify an individual's continuing Lifeline (C) eligibility in accordance with FCC requirements. (C)

If a customer disagrees with the Company's findings regarding continued eligibility for Lifeline (M) benefits, the customer may make an informal/formal complaint with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio. (M)

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LIFELINE (T)

A. LIFELINE ASSISTANCE (Continued)

1. Regulations (Continued) (T)

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c. Payment Arrangements (T)

Customers qualifying for Lifeline Assistance with past due bills for regulated local service charges shall be offered special payment arrangements with the initial payment not to exceed \$25.00 before service is installed, with the balance for the regulated local charges to be paid over six equal monthly payments. Lifeline service customers with past due bills for toll charges shall have toll restricted service until such past due toll charges have been paid in full or until the customer establishes service with a subsequent toll provider. (C)

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LIFELINE (T)

A. LIFELINE ASSISTANCE (Continued)

1. Regulations (Continued) (T)

d. Terms and Conditions (T)

All aspects of Lifeline Assistance shall be consistent with the federal requirements and any additional (C)  
state-specific requirements as established in 4901:1-6-19 O.A.C. or these regulations as they may  
subsequently change. Additional state-specific requirements are tarified in parts A.1.a., A.1.b., and  
A.1.c. of this section. (C)

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LIFELINE (T)

A. LIFELINE ASSISTANCE (Continued)

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LIFELINE (T)

A. LIFELINE ASSISTANCE (Continued)

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LIFELINE (T)

A. LIFELINE ASSISTANCE (Continued)

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LIFELINE (T)

A. LIFELINE ASSISTANCE (Continued)

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LIFELINE

A. LIFELINE ASSISTANCE (Continued)

2. Rates and Charges

a. Price Flexibility

All of the Company's exchanges have been deemed competitive and have been accorded the pricing flexibility defined in 4901:6-14 (C) O.A.C. which caps BLES monthly rates at annual increases of no more than \$1.25 per line.

The annual period for rate increases is defined to begin on the anniversary date.

b. Monthly Pricing with Lifeline

All Lifeline customers receive an FCC prescribed \$9.25 discount on their local monthly service rates. This discount is first applied to waive the federal end user common line charge with the remainder applied to the Customer's monthly BLES, measured service, or bundle rate.

(D)

Lifeline customers with BLES receive an additional CBT-funded discount under the Commission's (D) previous alternative regulation rules, 4901:1-4-11 O.A.C. effective August 7, 2006. This additional discount varies by exchange as follows.

<u>Exchange</u>	<u>Additional Monthly Lifeline Discount</u>
Cincinnati and Hamilton	6.25
Bethany, Harrison, Little Miami, and Williamsburg	3.75
Clermont and Newtonsville	2.50
Bethel, Reily, Seven Mile, and Shandon	1.25

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LIFELINE (T)

A. LIFELINE ASSISTANCE (Continued)

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LIFELINE

B. LIFELINE RECOVERY SURCHARGE

1. General

Incumbent Local Exchange Carriers (ILECs), in accordance with Section 4927.13 (D) of the Revised Code, may recover from end users any Lifeline service discounts that are not recovered through state or federal funding or whose recovery is prohibited by law. In accordance with 4901:1-6-19 (P) O.A.C., ILECs may recover these discounts through a customer billing surcharge on retail customers, excluding those with Lifeline service.

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:	\$ 0.04	(R)
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**EXHIBIT B**  
**(Proposed Tariff )**

LOCAL SERVICE TARIFF  
PUCO NO. 1

CINCINNATI BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY LLC

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LIFELINE (C)

A. LIFELINE ASSISTANCE

1. Regulations (C)

a. Benefits

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3. Free blocking of toll service, 900 service and 976 service.
4. A waiver of the federal universal service fund end user charge
5. A waiver of the Company's local telephone service deposit requirement.

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LIFELINE (C)

A. LIFELINE ASSISTANCE (Continued)

1. Regulations (C)

b. Eligibility (C)

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2. Survivor Pension Benefits Program (T)
3. Veteran Pension Benefits Program (T)
4. Medical Assistance under Chapter 5111 of the Ohio Revised Code (Medicaid) or any state program that might supplant Medicaid.
5. Supplemental Security Income (SSI) under Title XVI of the Social Security Act
6. Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program (SNAP/Food Stamps)
7. (D)
8. (D)
9. (D)

Lifeline Assistance is also available to customers whose total household income is at or below one- (C) hundred thirty-five percent (135%) of the federal poverty level.

The Company shall require as proof of eligibility for Lifeline Assistance a document, signed by the customer, that includes all customer identifying information, certifications, and documentation of eligibility required by state and/or federal regulations. To fulfill these requirements, a Customer must complete, sign, and return the Company's Lifeline application form with documentation of Lifeline eligibility attached to the form. Lifeline benefits will begin once the completed application form and documentation of eligibility are reviewed and processed in accordance with any applicable state and federal requirements. Customers will not receive retro-active Lifeline credits for periods prior to receipt of the completed application and supporting documentation of eligibility.

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LIFELINE

A. LIFELINE ASSISTANCE (Continued)

1. Regulations (Continued)

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c. Payment Arrangements

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A. LIFELINE ASSISTANCE (Continued)

1. Regulations (Continued) (T)

d. Terms and Conditions (T)

All aspects of Lifeline Assistance shall be consistent with the federal requirements and any additional state-specific requirements, including, but not limited to 47 C.F.R. Part 54, Subpart E; The FCC's Lifeline Modernization Order (Third Report and Order released on April 27, 2016, WC Docket No. 11-42, FCC 16-38, et.al. Ohio Administrative Code; and, the Commission's nontraditional Lifeline service order (Finding as Order adopted May 23, 2012, Case No. 10-2377-TP-COI) and any subsequent entries and/or orders. Additional state-specific requirements are tariffed in parts A.1.a., A.1.b., and A.1.c. of this section. (C)

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LIFELINE

A. LIFELINE ASSISTANCE (Continued)

2. Rates and Charges

a. Price Flexibility

All of the Company's exchanges have been deemed competitive and have been accorded the pricing flexibility defined in 4901:6-14 (C) O.A.C. which caps BLES monthly rates at annual increases of no more than \$1.25 per line.

The annual period for rate increases is defined to begin on the anniversary date.

b. Monthly Pricing with Lifeline

All Lifeline customers receive an FCC prescribed \$9.25 discount on their local monthly service rates. This discount is first applied to waive the federal end user common line charge with the remainder applied to the Customer's monthly BLES, measured service, or bundle rate.

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Lifeline customers with BLES receive an additional CBT-funded discount under the Commission's (D) previous alternative regulation rules, 4901:1-4-11 O.A.C. effective August 7, 2006. This additional discount varies by exchange as follows.

<u>Exchange</u>	<u>Additional Monthly Lifeline Discount</u>
Cincinnati and Hamilton	6.25
Bethany, Harrison, Little Miami, and Williamsburg	3.75
Clermont and Newtonsville	2.50
Bethel, Reily, Seven Mile, and Shandon	1.25

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LIFELINE

B. LIFELINE RECOVERY SURCHARGE

1. General

Incumbent Local Exchange Carriers (ILECs), in accordance with Section 4927.13 (D) of the Revised Code, may recover from end users any Lifeline service discounts that are not recovered through state or federal funding or whose recovery is prohibited by law. In accordance with 4901:1-6-19 (P) O.A.C., ILECs may recover these discounts through a customer billing surcharge on retail customers, excluding those with Lifeline service.

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:	\$ 0.04	(R)
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**EXHIBIT C**  
**(Description of Change)**

Cincinnati Bell Telephone Company, LLC. proposes these changes to its tariff provisions in order to be compliant with the FCC's Lifeline Modernization Order (16-38) and Commission Order, Case No. 16-1116-TP-COI. This order includes changes in eligibility program requirements for the Federal Lifeline Program in addition to harmonizing the State's income level requirements with the Federal income requirements.

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