

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

IN THE MATTER OF THE ADOPTION OF
RULES FOR THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS
RELAY SERVICE ASSESSMENT PURSUANT
TO R.C. 4905.84.

CASE NO. 08-815-TP-ORD

ENTRY

Entered in the Journal on February 8, 2017

I. SUMMARY

{¶ 1} The Commission directs all service providers required under federal law to provide customers with access to telecommunications relay service to complete and submit to Staff responses to the Telephone Relay Service Reporting Form attached to this Entry by March 15, 2017.

II. DISCUSSION

{¶ 2} R.C. 4905.84 provides that the Commission shall collect from each service provider that is required under federal law to provide its customers access to telecommunications relay service (TRS) an annual assessment to pay for the costs incurred by the TRS provider for providing TRS in Ohio. Division (F) of R.C. 4905.84 provides that the Commission shall adopt rules under R.C. 111.15 to establish the assessment amounts and procedures.

{¶ 3} Ohio Adm.Code 4901:1-6-36(D) requires that the most recent Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Form 477 information be submitted by each service provider to the Staff for the purpose of determining the assessment amount owed by each provider.

{¶ 4} Accordingly, all service providers that, under federal law, are required to provide customer's access to TRS are hereby directed to complete, and to submit to Staff, responses to the Telephone Relay Service Reporting Form attached to this Entry. Responses are due by March 15, 2017. Further, those carriers that do not file a Form 477 with the FCC

shall also complete the attached Telephone Relay Service Reporting Form in order to reflect the number of provider's retail customer access lines or their equivalents. Those responses are also due by March 15, 2017.

III. ORDER

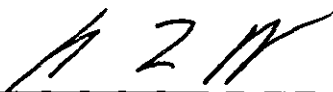
{¶ 5} It is, therefore,

{¶ 6} ORDERED, That all service providers required to provide access to TRS to customers comply with paragraph 4. It is, further,

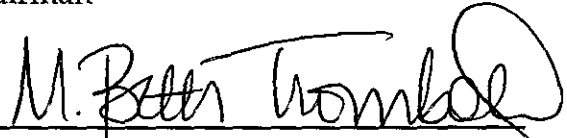
{¶ 7} ORDERED, That notice of this Entry be sent to the telephone industry service list. It is, further,

{¶ 8} ORDERED, That a copy of this Entry, with the attached form, be served upon all telephone companies and commercial mobile radio service providers under the Commission's jurisdiction, the Ohio Telecom Association, those who filed the Telephone Relay Service Reporting Form under the previous remittance period, and all other interested persons of record.

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Asim Z. Haque, Chairman



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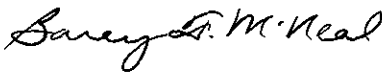
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Secretary

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

Telephone Relay Service Reporting Form



Pursuant to R.C. 4905.84¹, this form is to be utilized by all service providers that are required under federal law to provide its customers access to TRS, including telephone companies, commercial mobile radio service (CMRS) providers, and providers of advanced services or internet protocol-enabled services that are competitive with or functionally equivalent to voice-grade, end user access lines. Advanced services and internet protocol-enabled services have the meanings ascribed to them by federal law. Included within these federal regulations are requirements to provide the number of retail customer access lines or their equivalent within Ohio. This form is to be submitted using access line or equivalent count data as of December 31, as reflected on FCC form 477, reported by March 15 of the following year, if applicable. Any service provider that does not currently file form 477 should provide the most recent information available. Question should be directed through the TRS mailbox at TRS@puco.ohio.gov. Please submit completed forms to Staff through one of the following methods:

United States Mail	Electronically using PUCO Web Application
Public Utilities Commission of Ohio Business Resources, 4 th Floor 180 East Broad Street Columbus, OH 43215	Instructions and pin number for the web application provided in the same mailing as the Entry and this form.

Company Information			
Company Type			
<input type="checkbox"/> ILEC	<input type="checkbox"/> CLEC	<input type="checkbox"/> IXC	<input type="checkbox"/> AOS <input type="checkbox"/> VoIP <input type="checkbox"/> Wireless <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
Company name			
Street address			
City	State	Zip	Submitting Individual's Name
Submitting Individual's Phone Number		Submitting Individual's Email address	
Invoicing Information of where TRS Invoice is to be Sent			
Street address			
City	State	Zip	Accounts Payable Contact
Accounts Payable Phone Number		Accounts Payable Email address	

If FCC form 477 was filed, please mirror the data provided on that form. Any service provider that does not currently file form 477 should provide the most recent information available.

Access Lines or Equivalents	Type of Service
	Ohio voice grade, end user access lines (ILECs/CLECs)
	Ohio voice grade lines and channels you purchase from facilities-based carriers. (CLECs)
	Ohio Telephone Subscribers (Wireless)
	Ohio Voice Over Internet Protocol service subscribers. (VoIP)
	Ohio voice grade equivalent. (AOS)
	Ohio lines or equivalents (IXC)
	Ohio lines or equivalents (Other) _____
	Total Ohio Access Lines or Equivalents in Service

Affidavit – I declare, under penalty of perjury, that the foregoing information is true and correct.

(Signature and Title)

(Date)

¹In accordance with division (D) of R.C. 4905.84, the Commission shall take such measures, as it considers necessary to protect the confidentiality of information provided pursuant to paragraph (D) of this rule.

²The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio may assess a forfeiture of up to \$1,000 for each day's continuance of failure to comply with R.C. 4905.84.