

**BEFORE  
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO**

In the Matter of the Application of	)	
Continental Telephone Company to Revise	)	Case No. 18-830-TP-ATA
and Standardize Non-Recurring Charges	)	

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**REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION  
SUBMITTED ON BEHALF OF THE STAFF OF  
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO**

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On July 3, 2018, Continental Telephone Company (Continental), a TDS-owned company, filed an application seeking to revise its local exchange tariff P.U.C.O. NO. 9. In the application, Continental proposes to revise and standardize non-recurring charges for service connection as well as the descriptions of the service connection charges. The changes are being made to standardize the language and rates of Continental and four other TDS-owned, Ohio ILECs (Arcadia Telephone Company, Little Miami Communications Corporation, Oakwood Telephone Company and Vanlue Telephone Company). With respect to rates, Continental is proposing to increase the Premise Visit and Reconnect for Non-payment charges and to reduce the charges for Service Order Initial Request, Service Order Subsequent Request, Central Office Work and Line Connection charges.

This application is being filed pursuant to Section 4901:1-6-14 of the Ohio Administrative Code as adopted in Case No. 14-1554-TP-ORD. O.A.C 4901:1-6-14 (J) requires the filing of an ATA application to increase the installation and reconnection charges for single residential or primary business BLES lines. Customer notice was provided to existing customers on July 7, 2018, in accordance with Section 4901:1-6-7 (A) O.A.C. The application is deemed approved 30 days after filing unless suspended or subjected to hearing. According to Section 4901:1-6-14 (J) O.A.C., a standard of reasonableness applies to applications for an increase in nonrecurring

service charges for installation and reconnection. The staff has reviewed all documents filed with the application as well as the existing nonrecurring service charges of other similarly situated companies and has determined that the application has satisfied the requirement set forth in the rule. As such, Staff recommends the application be approved on August 2, 2018, with an effective date of August 8, 2018.

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