



525 JUNCTION RD.  
Madison, WI 53717

November 14, 2019

By Electronic Filing

Ms. Barcy McNeal  
Docketing Division  
Public Utilities Commission of Ohio  
180 East Broad Street  
Columbus, Ohio 43215

RE: Continental Telephone Company: TRF Docket No. 90-5016  
Revise Terms & Conditions for Termination of Service

Dear Ms. McNeal:

Continental Telephone Company submits a Notice of Tariff Filing for electronic filing.

Thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call.

Regards,

/s/ Rachelle A. Ladwig  
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Sr. Administrator – Tariffs  
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Enclosure

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

(Effective: 9-2-2015)

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 Continental Telephone )  
Company to Revise Terms & Conditions for Termination )  
of Service )

TRF Docket No. 90-5016-TP-TRF

Case No. 19 -2015 -TP -ATA

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

Name of Registrant(s) Continental Telephone Company

DBA(s) of Registrant(s) TDS Telecom

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Contact Person for Annual Report Bruce Mottern

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Address (if different from above) \_\_\_\_\_

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 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).

ISSUED:

## Section I – Part I - Common Filings

<b>Carrier Type</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Other (explain below)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> For Profit ILEC	<input type="checkbox"/> Not For Profit ILEC	<input type="checkbox"/> CLEC
Change terms & conditions of existing BLES	<input checked="" 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)			

## 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> 30-day Notice	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Date Notice Sent: November 7, 2019</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"/> ATA <a href="#">1-3-04</a> (Auto 30 days)	
<b>Wireless Providers</b> See <a href="#">4901:1-6-24</a>	<input type="checkbox"/> RCC [Registration & Change in Operations] (0 Day)	<input type="checkbox"/> NAG [Interconnection Agreement or Amendment] (Auto 90 days)

#### Section IV. – Attestation

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, Continental Telephone Company, and am authorized to make this statement on its behalf.  
(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) 11-14-19 at (Location) Madison, WI 53717

\*(Signature and Title) /s/ Rachelle Ladwig, (Date) 11-14-19  
Sr. Administrator - Tariffs

- *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.*

#### **VERIFICATION**

I, Rachelle A. Ladwig 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/Rachelle A. Ladwig, Sr. Administrator – Tariffs/Authorized Agent (Date) 11-14-19

\*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.

*File document electronically as directed in Case No 06-900-AU-WVR*  
*or*

*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**

**EXHIBIT A**  
**EXISTING SCHEDULE SHEETS**



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**GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS**

**F. TERMINATION OF SERVICE**

**1. At Customer's Request**

- a. The Company will discontinue service and remove its equipment upon request of the customer, and:
  - 1) The customer shall remain responsible for all service used and the billing therefore until service is disconnected pursuant to such notice.
  - 2) After requested by the customer the company will disconnect the service and the customer will not be liable for any service rendered to that address after the disconnect date.
  - 3) The customer shall not charge service to authorize the charging of service to any account which has been disconnected at the customer's request or otherwise. A customer shall be responsible for any service he or she charges or authorize charged to such an account in violation of the prohibition in the foregoing sentence.
- b. Contracts for service may be terminated prior to the expiration of the contract period provided advance notice is given to the Company and upon agreement to pay all charges due for the service furnished plus any termination charges which might be applicable.
- c. Where a contract for service with a one (1) month minimum period is canceled before establishment of the service is completed, a charge not to exceed the service charge specified is applied if all or a portion of the facilities has been installed.
- d. No minimum or termination charge will apply (unless otherwise stated specifically in this Tariff) where a new customer takes over the service of the former customer, provided the service is to be furnished at the same location without interruption and that the new customer assumes all unpaid charges on the original contract. Minimum and termination charges will apply for any service furnished under the original contract which is not retained by the new customer.
- e. No minimum or termination charge will apply in the event the service is terminated because of condemnation, destruction or damage to property by fire or other cause beyond the control of the customer.

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ISSUED: May 19, 2011

EFFECTIVE: May 19, 2011

IN ACCORDANCE WITH CASE NO. 10-1010-TP-ORD and 11-3020-TP-ATA  
ISSUED BY THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO  
Joel Dohmeier, Vice-President  
CONTINENTAL, OHIO

**EXHIBIT B**  
**PROPOSED SCHEDULE SHEETS**



**GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS**

**F. TERMINATION OF SERVICE**

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- a. The Company will discontinue service and remove it's equipment upon request of the customer, and:
  - 1) A customer terminating service must notify the Company prior to the termination date.
  - 2) If the customer cancels service before the end of their billing period, full month charges will apply.
  - 3) The customer shall not charge service to authorize the charging of service to any account which has been disconnected at the customer's request or otherwise. A customer shall be responsible for any service he or she charges or authorize charged to such an account in violation of the prohibition in the foregoing sentence.
- b. Contracts for service may be terminated prior to the expiration of the contract period provided advance notice is given to the Company and upon agreement to pay all charges due for the service furnished plus any termination charges which might be applicable.
- c. Where a contract for service with a one (1) month minimum period is canceled before establishment of the service is completed, a charge not to exceed the service charge specified is applied if all or a portion of the facilities has been installed.
- d. No minimum or termination charge will apply (unless otherwise stated specifically in this Tariff) where a new customer takes over the service of the former customer, provided the service is to be furnished at the same location without interruption and that the new customer assumes all unpaid charges on the original contract. Minimum and termination charges will apply for any service furnished under the original contract which is not retained by the new customer.
- e. No minimum or termination charge will apply in the event the service is terminated because of condemnation, destruction or damage to property by fire or other cause beyond the control of the customer.

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ISSUED: November 14, 2019

EFFECTIVE: December 16, 2019

IN ACCORDANCE WITH CASE NO. 90-5016-TP-TRF and 19-2015-TP-ATA  
ISSUED BY THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO  
Joel Dohmeier, Vice-President  
CONTINENTAL, OHIO

**EXHIBIT C**  
**(Description of the Changes)**

The Applicant, **Continental Telephone Company**, hereby modifies the terms and conditions surrounding Termination of Service by the Customer.

## **EXHIBIT D**

**(Customer Notice and Affidavit)**

The following customer notices appeared on bills that were mailed to Continental Telephone Company customers on November 7, 2019. These notices were sent to the Office of Ohio Consumers' Counsel and to the Commission's electronic mailbox (Telecomm-Rule07@puc.state.oh.us) prior to the change:

**Billing Change:** Starting Dec. 16, 2019, full-month charges will apply if you cancel your Internet and/or phone service before the end of your billing period.

## AFFIDAVIT

The following affidavit was prepared and filed with the Commission after the customer notice was provided to customers on November 7, 2019:

I, Rachelle A. Ladwig, am an authorized agent of the applicant corporation, Continental Telephone Company, and am authorized to make this statement on its behalf.

I attest that the customer notice accompanying this affidavit was sent to affected customers as a bill message on November 7, 2019, in accordance with Rule 4901:1-6-07, Ohio Administrative Code. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on (date) November 14, 2019 at (Location) Madison, Wisconsin

Signature: /s/ Rachelle A. Ladwig, Sr. Administrator-Tariffs

Rachelle A. Ladwig

Sr. Administrator-Tariffs/Authorized Agent

for Continental Telephone Company

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**Case No(s). 90-5016-TP-TRF, 19-2015-TP-ATA**

Summary: Tariff Filing to Revise Terms & Conditions for Termination of Service electronically filed by Ms. Rachelle A Ladwig on behalf of CONTINENTAL TELEPHONE COMPANY