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Proposed Tariff Revisions for P.U.C.O. Tariff No. 2

Excel Telecommunication, Inc.

03-1410-TP-ZTA

Dear Sir or Madam:

Transmitted herewith on behalf of Excel Telecommunications, Inc. ("Excel"), please find an original and ten (10) additional copies of revisions to Excel's P.U.C.O. Tariff No. 2. This proposed filing includes the following: Thirty-eighth Revised Page No. 1, Sixteenth Revised Page No. 1.1, First Revised Page No. 5.2, Third Revised Page No. 6, Second Revised Page Nos. 8 and 15, and Third Revised Page Nos. 35.17, 35.18, 47.17 and 47.18. A check sheet is included to assist your review of the proposed tariff revisions.

The purpose of this filing is to do the following: 1) introduce new definitions to Section I -Technical Terms and Abbreviations, 2) modify Section II - Rules and Regulations to reflect the inclusion of Sections 2.4.3 and 2.21 and 3) designate Excel's 10-10-399 and 10-10-457 Services as the Default Services available to Customers within the State of Ohio. The Company respectfully requests an effective date of June 24, 2003 for this filing. As required by the Commission, a comleted Telephone Service Requirements Form and a completed Local Exchange Carrier Registration Form indicating these tariff revisions as an ZTA filing with the required Exhibits "A" through "C" is enclosed.

Excel sincerely appreciates your time and attention to this matter. Acknowledgment and date of receipt of this filing are respectfully requested. Please date and file stamp the attached copy of this letter and return it in the pre-addressed, postage prepaid envelope provided. Please direct any questions regarding this filing to the undersigned directly at (214) 424-4463.

Respectfully submitted,

Erin Bolles

Regulatory Analyst

Enclosures

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The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

TELCOMMUNICATIONS APPLICATION FORM

(Effective: 4/7/2003) (Pursuant to Case Nos. 99-998-TP-COI and 99-563-TP-COI)

In the Matte	er of the Application of				
Excel Telecommunications, Inc. Case No. 03-1410 -TP - 27A					
to make changes to P.U.C.O. Tariff No. 2					
Name of Re	egistrant(s) Excel Telecommunications, Inc.				
	Registrant(s) 1600 Viceroy Drive, Dallas, Texas, 75235				
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	protective order included with filing? Yes X No				
	waiver(s) filed affecting this case? \square Yes \underline{X} No [Note: waiver(s) tolls any automatic timeframe]				
Company '	Type (check all applicable): \underline{X} CTS (IXC) \Box ILEC \Box CLEC \Box CMRS \Box AOS				
	□ Other (explain)				
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	form must accompany all applications filed by telecommunication service providers subject to the Commission's rules promulgated in .998-TP-COI, as well as by ILECs filing an ARB or NAG case pursuant to the guidelines established in Case No. 96-463-TP-UNC. It is				
preferable N	OT to combine different types of filings, but if you do so, you must file under the process with the longest applicable review period.				
	indicate the reason for submitting this form (check one)				
	Application to Amend Certificate by a CLEC to modify Serving Area (0-day notice, 7 copies)				
□ 2 (ABN)	Abandonment of all Services				
	□ a. CLEC (90-day approval, 10 copies)				
	□ b. CTS (14-day approval, 10 copies)				
= 2 (ACE)	u. ILEC (NOT automatic, 10 copies) New Operating Authority for providers other than CMRS (30-day approval, 7 copies); for CMRS, see item No.15 on this page.				
□ 3 (ACE)	a. Switched Local □ b. Non-switched local □ c. CTS □ d. Local and CTS □ e. Other (explain)				
	LEC Application to Change Ownership (30-day approval, 10 copies)				
	LEC Application to Change Name (30-day approval, 10 copies)				
□ 6 (AEC)					
n 7 (AMT)	NOTE: see item 24 (CTR) on page two of this form for all other contract filings. LEC Merger (30-day approval, 10 copies)				
□ 8 (ARB)	Application for Arbitration (see 96-463-TP-COI for applicable process, 10 copies)				
9 (ATA)	Application for Tariff Amendment for Tier I Services, Application to Reclassify Service Among Tiers, or Change to Non-Tier Service				
	a. Tier 1 (and Carrier-to-Carrier tariff filings as set-forth in 95-845-TP-COI)				
	i. Pre-filing submittal (30-day pre-filing submittal with Staff and OCC; Do Not Docket , 4 copies)				
	ii. New End User Service which has been preceded by a 30-day pre-filing submittal with Staff for all submittals and also with OCC for Tier 1 residential services (0-day filing, 10 copies)				
	iii. New End User Service (NOT preceded by a 30-day filing submittal, 30-day approval, 10 copies)				
	□ iv. New Carrier-to-Carrier Service which has been preceded by a 30-day pre-filing with Staff (0-day filing, 10 copies)				
	v. Change in Terms and Conditions, textual revision, correction of error, etc. (30-day approval, 10 copies)				
	vi. Grandfather service (30-day approval, 10 copies)				
	uvii. Initial Carrier-to-Carrier Services Tariff subsequent to ACE approval (60-day approval, 10 copies)				
	□ viii. Withdrawal of Tier 1 service must be filed as an "ATW", not an "ATA" - see item 12, below □ b. Reclassification of Service Among Tiers (NQT automatic, 10 copies)				
	c. Textual revision with no effect on rates for non-specific or non-tier service (30-day approval, 10 copies)				
□ 10(ATC)	Application to Transfer Certificate (30-day approval, 7 copies)				
□ 11 (ATR)	LEC Application to Conduct a Transaction Between Utilities (30-day approval, 10 copies)				
□ 12(ATW)	Application to Withdraw a Tier 1 Service				
	a. CLEC (60-day approval, 10 copies) b. ILEC (NOT automatic, 10 copies)				
□ 13 (CIO)	Application for Change in Operations by Non-LEC Providers (0-day notice, 7 copies)				
□ 14(NAG)	Negotiated Interconnection Agreement Between Carriers (0-day effective, 90-day approval, 8 copies)				
□ 15 (RRC)	For CMRS providers only to Register or to Notify of a Change in Operations (0-day notice, 7 copies)				

D 16 (SL	LF) Self-complaint Application	
	a. CLEC only-Tier 1 (60-day automatic, 10 copies)	
	b. Introduce or increase maximum price range for Non-Spe	ecific Service Charge (60-day approval, 10 copies)
	NC) Unclassified (explain)	(NOT automatic, 15 copies)
X 18(ZT	TA) Tariff Application Involving only Tier 2 Services	
	a. New End User Service (0-day notice, 10 copies)	
	X b. Change in Terms and Conditions, textual revision, corre	ction of error, etc. (0-day notice, 10 copies)
	c. Withdrawal of service (0-day notice, 10 copies)	• • •
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THE FO	<u>OLLOWING ARE TRF FILINGS ONLY, NOT NEW CASES</u> ((7-day notice, 3 copies)
🗆 20 I:	Introduction or Extension of Promotional Offering	
🗅 21 N	New Price List Rate for Existing Service	
	🗆 a. Tier 1	
	🗆 b. Tier 2	
a 22 E	Designation of Registrant's Process Agent(s)	
🗅 23 U	Update to Registrant's Maps	
THE FO	<u>OLLOWING ARE CTR FILINGS ONLY, NOT NEW CASES (</u>	O-day notice , 7 copies;
□ 24 A	Application to establish, revise, or cancel an end-user contract. (NO	TE: see item 6 on page 1 of this form for carrier-to-carrier contract amendments)
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II. Please indicate which of the following exhibits have been filed. The numbers (corresponding to the list on page (1) and above) indicate, at a minimum, the types of cases in which the exhibit is required:

	[all]	A copy of any motion for waiver of O.A.C. rule(s) associated with this filing. NOTE: the filing of a motion for waiver tolls
u	[[aii]	any automatic timeframe associated with this filing.
0	[3, 9(vii)]	A copy of registrant's proposed tariffs. (Carrier-to-Carrier resale tariff also required if facilities-based)
-	[3]	Statement affirming that the registrant has notified the Ohio Department of Taxation of its intent to conduct operations as a
<u>.</u>	L ²]	telephone utility in the State of Ohio.
	[3]	Brief description of service(s) proposed.
	[3a-b,3d]	Explanation of whether applicant intends to provide resold services, facilities-based services, or both resold and facilities-
_	[000,000]	based services.
	[3a-b,3d]	Explanation as to whether CLEC currently offers CTS services under separate CTS authority, and whether it will be including
	• • •	those services within its CLEC filing, or maintaining such CTS services under a separate affiliate.
а	[3a-b,3d]	Explanation of how the proposed services in the proposed market area are in the public interest.
	[3a-b,3d]	Description of the proposed market area.
	[3a-b,3d]	Description of the class of customers (e.g., residence, business) that the applicant intends to serve.
	[3a-b,3d]	Documentation attesting to the applicant's financial viability, including, at a minimum, a pro forma income statement and a
		balance sheet. If the pro forma income statement is based upon a certain geographical area(s) or information in other
	_	jurisdictions, please indicate.
	[3a-d]	Documentation attesting to the applicant's technical and managerial expertise relative to the proposed service offering(s) and
		proposed service area.
	[3a-d]	Documentation indicating the applicant's corporate structure and ownership.
	[3a-b,3d]	Information regarding any similar operations in other states. Also, if this company has been previously certified in the State of
		Ohio, include that certification number.
0	[3a-b,3d]	Verification that the applicant will maintain local telephony records separate and apart from any other accounting records in
		accordance with the GAAP.
	[3a-b,3d]	Verification of compliance with any affiliate transaction requirements.
ū	[3a-b,3d]	Explanation as to whether rates are derived through (check all applicable):
		□ interconnection agreement, □ retail tariffs, or □ resale tariffs.
	[1,3a-b,3d]	Explanation as to which service areas company currently has an approved interconnection or resale agreement.
	[3a-b,3d, 9a(i-iii)]	Explanation of whether applicant intends to provide Local Services which require payment in advance of
		Customer receiving dial tone.
a	[3a,3b,3d,	Tariff sheet(s) listing the services and associated charges that must be paid prior to customer receiving dial tone (if applicable).
	9a,(i-iii)]	
	[3a-b,3d,8]	Letters requesting negotiation pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and a proposed
		timeline for construction, interconnection, and offering of services to end users.
	[3,4,7,10-11,13]	Certification from Ohio Secretary of State as to party's proper standing (domestic or foreign corporation, authorized use of
		fictitious name, etc.). In transfer of certificate cases, the transferee's good standing must be established.
_	[3-4,7,10-11,13]	List of names, addresses, and phone numbers of officers and directors, or partners.
0	[3]	A sample copy of the customer bill and disconnection notice the applicant plans to utilize.
X	[1,4,9,10-13,16-21]	Copy of superseded tariff sheet(s) & price list(s), if applicable, marked as Exhibit A.
X	[1,4,9,10-13,16-21]	Copy of revised tariff sheets & price lists, marked as Exhibit B.
	[3]	Provide a copy of any customer application form required in order to establish residential service, if applicable.

X	[1-2,4-7,9,12-	Description of and rationale for proposed tariff changes, including a complete description of the service(s) proposed or affected.
]	13,16,18-24]	Specify for each service affected whether it is \square business; \underline{X} residence; or \square both. Also indicate whether it is a \underline{X} switched or \square
		dedicated service. Include this information in either the cover letter or Exhibit C.
	[1,2,4,9a(v-vi),	Specify which notice procedure has been utilized: direct mail; bill insert; bill notation or electronic mail. NOTE: Tier 1
	5,10,16,18(b-c),	price list increases must be within an approved range of rates.
	20-21]	
	[2,4-5,9a(v),	Copy of real time notice which has been provided to customers. For SLF's the customer notice will be addressed in a
	9b, 10,12-13,16,	Commission Order.
	18(b-c),20-21]	
	[1,2,5,9a(v),11-13,	Affidavit attesting that customer notice has been provided.
	21(increase only)]	
	[2,12]	Copy of Notice which has been provided to ILEC(s).
	[2,12]	Listing of Assigned (NPA) NXX's where in the LECs (NPA) NXX's would be reassigned.
D	[2,4,10,12-13,]	List of Ohio counties specifically involved or affected.
□	[14]	The interconnection agreement adopted by negotiation or mediation.
	[15]	For commercial mobile radio service providers, a statement affirming that registrant has obtained all necessary federal authority
		to conduct operations being proposed, and that copies have been furnished by cellular, paging, and mobile companies to this
		Commission of any Form 401, 463, and / or 489 which the applicant has filed with the Federal Communications Commission.
'c	[15]	Exhibits must include company name, address, contact person, service description, and evidence of registration with the Ohio
		Secretary of State.
D	[24]	Affidavit that total price of contract exceeds total cost of all regulated services.
a .	[5,13]	New title sheet with proposed new company name.
0	[1,3,13]	List of Ohio exchanges the applicant intends to serve.
0	[1,3a-b,3d,7,	Maps depicting the proposed serving and calling areas of the applicant.
	10,13, 23]	If Mirroring Large ILEC exchanges for both serving area and local calling areas: • Serving area must be clearly reflected
		on an Ohio map attached to tariffs and textually described in tariffs by noting that it is reflecting a particular large
		ILEC/CLEC territory, and listing the involved exchanges. • Local calling areas must be clearly reflected on an Ohio map
		attached to the tariffs, and/or clearly delineated in tariffs, including a complete listing of each exchange being served and all
		exchanges to which local calls can be made from each of those exchanges.
		If Self-defining serving area and/or local calling area as an area other than that of the established ILEC exchange(s):
		Serving Area must be clearly reflected on an Ohio map attached to the tariffs, and textually described in tariffs by listing the
		involved exchanges. • Local Calling Areas must be described in the tariff through textual delineation and clear maps. Maps
		for self-defined serving and local calling areas are required to be traced on United States Geological Survey topography
		maps. These maps are the Standard Topographic Quadrangle maps, 7.5 minute 1:24,000.
0		Other information requested by the Commission staff.
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III. Registrant hereby attests to its compliance with the following requirements in the Service Requirements Form, as well as all pertinent entries and orders issued by the Commission with respect to these issues. Further, registrant hereby affirms that it will maintain with its TRF docket an up-to-date, properly marked, copy of the Service Requirements Form available for public inspection.

MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE AND CTS PROVIDERS:

- [x] Sales tax
- [x] Minimum Telephone Service Standards (MTSS)
- [x] Surcharges

MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE PROVIDERS:

[x] 1+ IntraLATA Presubscription

SERVICE REQUIREMENTS FOR PROVISION OF CERTAIN SERVICES (CHECK ALL APPLICABLE):

- X Discounts for Persons with Communication Disabilities and the Telecommunication Relay Service [Required if toll service provided]
- X Emergency Services Calling Plan [Required if toll service provided]
- ☐ Alternative Operator Service (AOS) requirements [Required for all providing AOS (including inmate services) service]
- X Limitation of Liability Language [Required for all who have tariff language that may limit their liability]
- X Termination Liability Language [Required for all who have early termination liability language in their tariffs]
- X Service Connection Assistance (SCA) [Required for all LECs]
- □ Local Number Portability and Number Pooling [Required for facilities-based LECs]
- X Package Language [Required for tariffs containing packages or service bundles containing both local and toll and/or non-regulated services]

	Erin Bolles, Regulatory Analyst (214) 424-4463
	1600 Viceroy Drive, Dallas, Texas 75235
	2: An annual report is required to be filed with the Commission by each company on an annual basis. The annual report form will be sent for letion to the address and individual(s) identified in this Section unless another address or individual is so indicated.
J.	List names, titles, phone numbers, and addresses of those persons authorized to respond to inquiries from the Consumer Services Department on behalf of the applicant regarding end-user complaints:
	Nicole Mizell, Regulatory Analyst II (214) 424-1510
	1600 Viceroy Drive, Dallas, Texas 75235
	AFFIDAVIT Minimum Telephone Service Standards
am a	n officer of the applicant corporation, Excel Telecommunications, Inc. , and am authorized to make this statement
n its	(Name of Company) behalf. I attest that these tariffs comply with the Minimum Telephone Service Standards (MTSS) for the state of Ohio. I understand that
	num Telephone Service Standards, as modified and clarified from time to time, supercede any contradictory provisions in our tariff. We was
ılly	comply with the rules of the state of Ohio and understand that noncompliance can result in various penalties, including the suspension of
ertifi	cate to operate within the state of Ohio.
Exec	ted on June 23, 2003 at Dallas, Texas (Date) (Location) Becky Gipson, Director, Regulatory Affairs *(Signature and Title) * This affidavit is required for every tariff-affecting filling. It may be signed by counseLor an officer of the applicant, or an authorized agent of the applicant.
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	ommunications Application Form and that all of the information submitted here, and all additional information submitted in connection with the
	s true and correct to the best of my knowledge. *(Signature and Title) (Date)
	*Verification is required for every filing. It may be signed by counsel or an officer of the applicant, or an authorized agent

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
Attention: Docketing Division (or to the Telecommunications Division Chief if a prefiling submittal)
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TELEPHONE SERVICE REQUIREMENTS FORM

Pursuant to Case Nos. 99-998-TP-COI and 99-563-TP-COI

The provider affirms that it is in compliance with Commission directives concerning the following checked items, and that this represents an up-to-date listing of applicable "generic" service requirements. The provider understands that this in no way supersedes the context of the applicable Commission orders described below. Unless otherwise specified, this language replaces the need for related language to be contained in the provider's tariff.

A. MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS FOR BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE AND CTS PROVIDERS (unless otherwise noted):

[x] 1. SALES TAX (See also Case No. 87-1010-TP-UNC)

Certain telecommunication services, as defined in the Ohio Revised Code, are subject to state sales tax at the prevailing tax rates, if the services originate, or terminate in Ohio, or both, and are charged to a subscriber's telephone number or account in Ohio.

[x] 2. MTSS TARIFF REQUIREMENTS

- [x] The provider attests that its tariffs include:
 - o provider-specific language addressing the deposit method (as cited in 4901:1-5-13) adopted by the company and approved by the Commission;
 - o Toll Caps (choose one):
 - □ language addressing the provider-specific parameters of toll caps approved by the Commission, OR
 - not applicable since the provider has not chosen to incorporate toll caps.
 - language regarding establishment of service, including requirements to establish creditworthiness, as cited in 4901:1-5-13:
 - o language regarding residential service guarantors, as cited in 4901:1-5-14;
 - o language regarding subscriber bills, as cited in 4901:1-5-15;
 - o language regarding subscriber billing adjustments for local exchange service, as cited in 4901:1-5-16; and,

 language regarding denial or disconnection of local and/or toll service, including the requirements for the reconnection of local and/or toll service, as cited in 4901:1-5-17.

Check the boxes below to attest that the provider shall adhere to the following criteria when the provider implements cancellation of service policies and/or requests an advance payment:

☑ Cancellation of Service:

When a customer cancels an application for service prior to the start of service or prior to any special construction, no charges will be imposed except for those specified below:

Where the company has notified a customer or prospective customer of the possibility that special expenses may be incurred in connection with provisioning the customer's service, and then the company does incur such expenses. Expenses could include special construction, or where special arrangements of facilities or equipment have begun before the company received a cancellation notice. The charge will be equal to the costs actually incurred, less net salvage;

☐ Advance Payment:

Advance Payment means a payment that may be required by the company as a means of being compensated for extraordinary expenses, including, but not limited to, special construction costs associated with a particular service installation.

[x] 3. SURCHARGES

The company shall not assess separately any taxes, fees or surcharges, other than government-approved sales taxes imposed directly on the end users, without seeking Commission approval under the appropriate procedures required by the Commission. Generally, the Commission will not grant the inclusion of gross receipts tax as a separate item on the bill unless special circumstances so warrant and the Commission

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specifically approves same. The company shall not place a separate line item on a customer's bill without sending notice to all customers informing them of the new line item charges in accordance with Commission-adopted notice procedures.

The customer is responsible for the payment of all state, local and E9-1-1 taxes, surcharges, utility fees, or other similar fees for which the end user is directly responsible and that may be levied by a governing body or bodies in conjunction with or as a result of a service furnished under a tariff on file with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio. These charges may appear as separate line items on the customer's bill, as opposed to being included in the rates contained in a tariff. Any such line item charges will be reflected in the company's tariff.

[x] 4. 1+ INTRALATA PRESUBSCRIPTION - Basic Local Exchange Providers Only (See Also Case No. 95-845-TP-COI, Guideline X.)

a. General

IntraLATA Presubscription is a procedure whereby a subscriber designates to the Telephone Company the carrier which the subscriber wishes to be the carrier of choice for intraLATA toll calls. Such calls are automatically directed to the designated carrier, without the need to use carrier access codes or additional dialing to direct the call to the designated carrier. IntraLATA presubscription does not prevent a subscriber who has presubscribed to an intraLATA toll carrier from using carrier access codes or additional dialing to direct calls to an alternative intraLATA toll carrier on a per call basis.

IntraLATA Presubscription will become effective upon the initial offering of certified local exchange service.

b. IntraLATA Presubscription Options

Option A: Subscriber may select the Telephone Company as the presubscribed carrier for intraLATA toll calls subject to presubscription.

Option B: Subscriber may select her/his interLATA toll carrier as the presubscribed carrier for intraLATA toll calls subject to presubscription.

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Option C: Subscriber may select a carrier other than the Telephone Company or the subscriber's interLATA toll carrier as the presubscribed carrier for intraLATA toll calls subject to presubscription.

Option D; Subscriber may select no presubscribed carrier for intraLATA toll calls subject to presubscription which will require the subscriber to dial a carrier access code to route all intraLATA toll calls to the carrier of choice for each call.

c. Rules and Regulations

Subscribers of record will retain their current dialing arrangements until they request that their dialing arrangements be changed.

Subscribers of record or new subscribers may select either Options A, B, C, or D for intraLATA Presubscription.

Subscribers may change their selected Option and/or their presubscribed intraLATA toll carrier at any time subject to charges specified in Paragraph E, below.

d. IntraLATA Presubscription Procedures

New subscribers will be asked to select an intraLATA toll carrier(s) at the time the subscriber places an order to establish local exchange service with the Telephone Company. The Telephone Company will process the subscriber's order for intraLATA service. The selected carrier(s) will confirm their respective subscribers' verbal selection by third-party verification or return written confirmation notices. All new subscribers' initial requests for intraLATA toll service presubscripion shall be provided free of charge.

If a new subscriber is unable to make a selection at the time the new subscriber places an order to establish local exchange service, the Telephone Company will read a random listing of all available intraLATA carriers to aid the subscriber in selection. If selection is still not possible, the Telephone Company will inform the subscriber that he/she will be given 90 calendar days in which to inform the Telephone Company of an intraLATA toll carrier presubscription selection free of charge. Until the subscriber informs the Telephone Company of his/her choice for intraLATA toll carrier, the subscriber will not have a presubscribed intraLATA toll carrier, but rather will be

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required to dial a carrier access code to route all intraLATA toll calls to the carrier(s) of choice. Subscribers who inform the Telephone Company of a choice for intraLATA toll presubscription within the 90-day period will not be assessed a service charge for the initial subscriber request.

Subscribers of record may initiate an intraLATA presubscription change at any time subject to the charges specified in e.ii. below. If a customer of record inquires of the Telephone Company of the carriers available for intraLATA toll presubscription, the Telephone Company will read a random listing of all available intraLATA carriers to aid the subscriber in selection.

- e. IntraLATA Presubscription Charges
 - i. Application of Charges

After a subscriber's initial selection for a presubscribed intraLATA toll carrier and as detailed in Paragraph D above, for any change thereafter, an IntraLATA Presubscription Change Charge, as set forth in Paragraph E.2. will apply.

ii. Nonrecurring Charges IntraLATA Presubscription Change Charge

Per business or residence line, trunk, or port:

Initial line, trunk, or port \$5.00

Additional line, trunk, or port \$1.50

- B. REQUIREMENTS FOR PROVISION OF CERTAIN SERVICES, OR WHERE CERTAIN CONDITIONS OF SERVICE ARE UTILIZED (check all applicable):
 - ✓ 1. DISCOUNTS FOR PERSONS WITH COMMUNICATION DISABILITIES
 AND THE TELECOMMUNICATION RELAY SERVICE

Applicable to all telephone companies offering message toll service (MTS) (See also Case Nos. 87-206-TP-COI and 91-113-TP-COI):

 For purposes of these requirements, the definition of disabled refers to those persons with communication disabilities, including those hearing-disabled, deaf, deaf/blind, and speech-disabled persons who

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have a disability that prevents them from communicating over the telephone without the aid of a telecommunications device for the communicatively disabled.

- b. Residential disabled customers or disabled members of a customer's household, upon written application and upon certification of their disabled status, which is evidenced by either a certificate from a physician, health care official, state agency, or a diploma from an accredited educational institution for the disabled, are eligible to receive a discount off their MTS rates, and, if they utilize telebraille devices, they are eligible to receive free access to local and intrastate long distance directory assistance. Additionally, TDD lines maintained by non-profit organizations and governmental agencies, upon written application and verification that such lines are maintained for the benefit of the disabled, are eligible to receive a discount off their MTS rates.
- c. Upon receipt of the appropriate application, and certification or verification of a person with a communication disability, one of the following discounts shall be made available for the benefit of the disabled person:
 - i. Off the basic MTS, current, price list day rates: a 40 percent discount off the intrastate, interexchange, customer-dialed, station-to-station calls occurring between 8:00 a.m. and 4:59 p.m. Monday through Friday; a 60 percent discount off the intrastate, interexchange, customer-dialed, station-to-station calls occurring between 5:00 p.m. and 10:59 p.m. Sunday through Friday, and New Year's Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas; and a 70 percent discount off the intrastate, interexchange, customer-dialed, station-to-station calls occurring between 11:00 p.m. and 7:59 a.m. any day, 8:00 a.m. and 4:59 p.m. Sunday, and all day Saturday; or
 - Off the basic MTS, current, price list day rates: no less than a straight 70 percent discount shall be made available on a 24 hour a day basis; or
 - iii. For MTS which is offered similar to the mileage-banded rate structure established in the Commission's April 9, 1985 Opinion and Order in Case No. 84-944-TP-COI, with the traditional day, evening, and night/weekend discounts: the "evening" discount off the intrastate, interexchange, customer-dialed,

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station-tostation calls placed during the "day" period Monday through Friday; and the "night/ weekend" discount off the intrastate, interexchange, customer-dialed, station-to-station calls placed during the "evening" period Sunday through Friday, and on New Year's Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas. Furthermore, the "night/ weekend" discount plus an additional discount equivalent to no less than ten percent of the company's current, price list, "day" rates for basic MTS shall be made available for intrastate, interexchange, customer-dialed, station-to-station calls placed during the "night/ weekend" period any day, the "day" period Sunday, and all day Saturday.

d. All MTS calls placed through the telecommunication relay service (TRS) are eligible to receive a discount off the MTS rates. The rate discounts are the same as those set forth in paragraph 1.c. preceding. The discount shall not apply to sponsor charges associated with calls placed to pay-per-call services, such as 900, 976, or 900-like calls.

Applicable to all CLECs and CTSs offering MTS (See also Case Nos. 85-1466-TP-COI and 89-54-TP-COI):

Message toll telephone calls to governmental emergency service agencies, as set forth in (a) following, having primary or principal responsibility with respect to the provision of emergency services to persons and property in the area from which the call is made, meeting the definition and criteria of an emergency call as set forth in (b) following, are offered at no charge to customers:

- a. Governmental fire fighting, Ohio State Highway Patrol, police, and emergency squad service (as designated by the appropriate governmental agency) qualify as governmental emergency service agencies provided they answer emergency service calls on a personally attended (live) 24-hour basis, 365 days a year, including holidays.
- b. An emergency is an occurrence or set of circumstances in which conditions pose immediate threat to human life, property, or both, and necessitate that prompt action be taken. An emergency call is an originated call of short duration to a governmental emergency service agency in order to seek assistance for such an emergency.

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3. ALTERNATIVE OPERATOR SERVICES

The following applies to the provision of alternative operator services (AOS) including Inmate Facility Services. (See, also, Case No. 88-560-TP-COI, December 30, 1991 Supplemental Opinion and Order and February 27, 1992 Entry on Rehearing):

Preceding the maximum operator-assisted surcharges set forth in the text of the proposed tariff, as well as preceding the operator-assisted surcharges set forth in the price list attached to the proposed tariff, the service provider must insert a statement which specifies whether the rates as set forth apply to the provider's provision of traditional operator services, alternative operator services (AOS), or both.

(A) Definitions

- (1) AOS are those services provided by the provider in which the customer and the end user are totally separate entities. The provider contracts with the customer to provide the AOS; however, the provider does not directly contract with the end user to provide the services even though it is the end user who actually pays for the processing of the operator-assisted calls. These do not include coin-sent calls.
- (2) Traditional operator services are those services provided by the provider in which the end user has a customer relationship with the provider, the provider contracts with the customer/end user to provide the services, and the customer/end user pays for the actual processing of the operator-assisted calls.

(B) AOS Service Parameters

(1) Local operator-assisted calls:

For local operator-assisted calls, both live and automated, the AOS provider shall not charge the billed party more than the ILEC's price list rates for traditional local operator-assisted calls in the same exchange. This requirement includes both the local usage rate (either flat-rate per call or a minute-of-use rate per call) and applicable operator surcharges. The minutes-of-use rate for a local call shall be no higher than the rates for MTS identified in paragraph (B)(2), below.

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(2) MTS provided in conjunction with AOS: For intraLATA and interLATA, intrastate toll service calls, each AOS provider must apply one of the following MTS price ceilings to the MTS provided in conjunction with AOS:

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11 - 22	.40	.22
23 – 55	.48	.28
56 - 124	.57	.37
125 - end	.58	.39

or;

\$.36 per minute of use

- (3) For intraLATA and interLATA, intrastate toll service calls, each AOS provider's maximum operator-assisted rates shall be no more than:
 - (a) \$1.70 for customer-dialed calling card calls;
 - (b) \$2.50 for operator-handled calls; and
 - (c) \$4.80 for person-to-person calls.
- (4) Notice of any change in the rates stated above, whether it be upward or downward, must be maintained in the company's tariff (via its web-site or its tariff on file with the Commission), on or before the effective date.
- (C) Secured Inmate Facilities:

The following provisions apply to those operator service providers (OSPs) providing service to a secured inmate facility where the originating caller does not have access to other OSPs for the call from the secured inmate facility.

- (1) Local operator-assisted calls: For local operator-assisted calls, the AOS provider serving secured inmate facilities shall not charge the billed party more than the ILEC price list rates for a local operator-assisted call in the same exchange.
- (2) IntraLATA and interLATA intrastate toll service calls: For intraLATA and interLATA intrastate toll service calls, the AOS provider serving secured inmate facilities shall not charge the billed party more than the ILEC price list rates for

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an intraLATA intrastate call. This requirement includes both the rates for message toll service and operator surcharges.

- (D) The AOS providers shall not charge end users surcharges in addition to the price list rates for MTS and operator-assisted surcharges set forth in the AOS providers' tariffs. This restriction means that no surcharges, including but not limited to, bill rendering charges and any additional surcharge which a host facility may request the AOS provider to bill an end user, may be levied by the AOS provider on the end user. Any surcharges imposed by a host facility are to be billed separately by the host facility.
- (E) AOS and secured inmate facility services are not subject to either Tier 1 or Tier 2 regulatory treatment, but rather will remain subject to the provisions of these rules and the applicable provisions adopted by the Commission in Case No. 88-560-TP-COI.

□ ✓ 4. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

The following is applicable to all telephone companies that choose to include in their tariffs language which may limit their liability (See also Case No. 85-1406-AU-COI):

Approval of limitation of liability language by the PUCO does not constitute a determination by the Commission that the limitation of liability imposed by the company should be upheld in a court of law. Approval by the Commission merely recognizes that since it is a courts responsibility to adjudicate negligence and consequent damage claims, it is also the court's responsibility to determine the validity of the exculpatory clause.

□ 5. TERMINATION LIABILITY

The following is applicable to all telephone companies who choose to include in their tariffs language which imposes early termination liability on a customer for termination of service prior to the designated term of service:

Inclusion of early termination liability by the company in its tariff or a contract does not constitute a determination by the Commission that the termination liability imposed by the company is approved or sanctioned by the Commission. Customers shall be free to pursue whatever legal remedies they may have should a dispute arise.

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☐ 6. SERVICE CONNECTION ASSISTANCE (SCA)

The following is applicable to all LECs that offer local service to residential customers:

SCA is targeted to help defray the one-time, up-front costs of connecting to the local exchange network for qualified customers. It provides a waiver of the deposit requirement, full or partial waiver of the service connection charges.

□ 7. LOCAL NUMBER PORTABILITY and NUMBER POOLING

See Case No. 95-845-TP-COI Guideline XIV, FCC Dockets 95-116 and 99-200. NOTE: LNP and number pooling are required of all facilities-based LECs, regardless of size, and CMRS where currently rolled-out by the FCC or as a result of a bona fide request unless granted an extension, exemption, or waiver by the Commission or the FCC.

8. TARIFFING AND DISCONNECTION PROCEDURES FOR SERVICE PACKAGES OR BUNDLES

Applicable to all LECs packaging or bundling regulated local services with toll service and/or unregulated services. See Rule 4901:1-6-21(C), Ohio Administrative Code.

□ Option 1

Tariffing

Under option 1, LECs that package or bundle regulated local services with toll and/or unregulated services shall tariff only the regulated components of a package or bundle of services either as a package at a separate, single rate for the regulated components or individually at individual tariffed rates. The unregulated services and any rate(s) associated with the unregulated service components of any package or bundle of services shall not be tariffed.

Disconnection Procedures

Under option 1, if a customer fails to submit timely payment sufficient to cover the amount of the regulated charges, the LEC may discontinue the provision of the regulated services in compliance with Rule 4901:1-5-17, Ohio Administrative Code.

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Staff Notice

Under option 1, LECs shall keep the Director of the Consumer Services Division and the Chief of Telecommunications of the Utilities Department informed and up-to-date on all current offers to consumers that bundle regulated local services with unregulated services at a single packaged rate, different from the rate shown in the tariff for the regulated components of the package. The notice to staff shall identify the regulated and unregulated services included and the packaged rate (the combined tariffed and untariffed rate).

□ Option 2

Tariffing

Under option 2, LECs shall tariff the entire package or bundle of services including both regulated local services and toll and/or unregulated services for a single combined packaged rate (including any amount attributable to the unregulated components). The LEC shall clearly identify the services within the package and denote which services are unregulated.

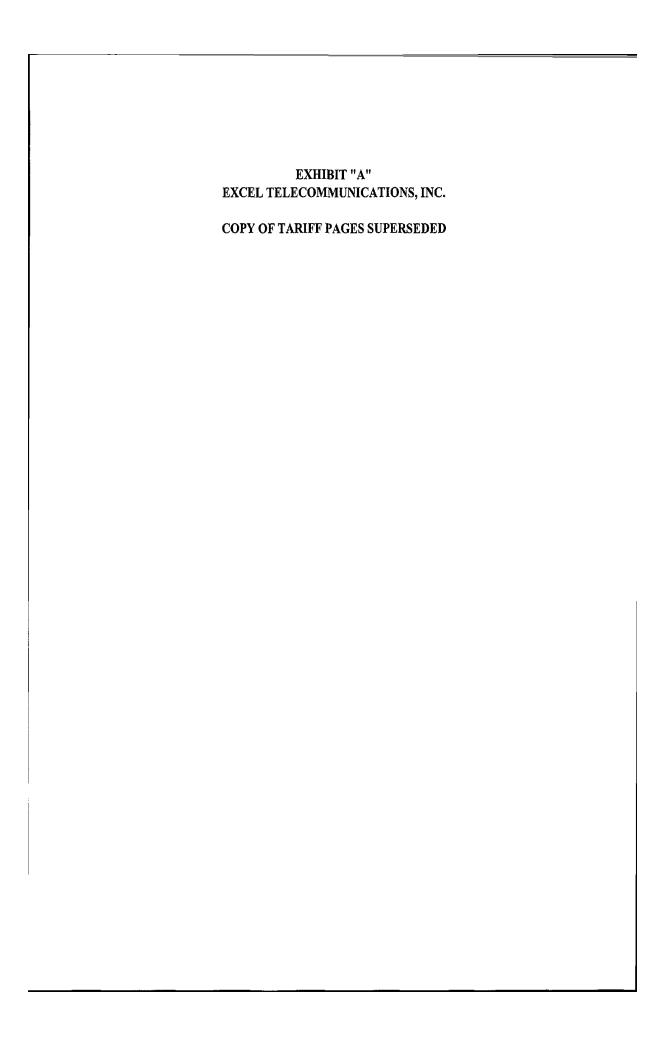
Disconnection Procedures

Under option 2, if a customer fails to submit timely payment sufficient to cover the entire amount of the regulated and unregulated bundled packaged rate, the LEC may discontinue the provision of any regulated and unregulated services, other than basic local exchange service, if payment is sufficient to cover the rate for basic local exchange service. For purposes of this rule, the rate for basic local exchange service shall be the tariffed rate for stand-alone basic local exchange service. In the event a CLEC does not offer basic local exchange service on a stand-alone basis, the CLEC shall identify an amount in the tariff for the basic local exchange service component of the package. In no event shall this amount exceed the packaged rate. Further, if the customer loses services included in the package due to non-payment or partial payment pursuant to this rule, the customer shall be entitled to add, change, or discontinue any regulated services provided according to the LEC's normal procedures for adding, changing or discontinuing such services.

Disconnection Notice

Under option 2, the LEC shall, in its notice of disconnection for non-payment, state the total amount due to avoid discontinuance of the package, as well as the total amount due to avoid discontinuance of the basic local exchange service component of the package.

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SECTION 1 - TECHNICAL TERMS AND ABBREVIATIONS (Continued) Authorization Code -M A numerical code, one or more of which are assigned to a Customer to enable the Company to identify use of Service on the Customer's account and to bill the Customer accordingly. Multiple authorization codes may be assigned to a Customer to identify individual users or groups of users. Entitlement to any authorization code shall create no property or other right or interest in the use of any particular authorization code. М Authorized Agent -M/T D D Any individual or business designated by a telecommunications provider to act as its N representative. Ν Call-N A completed telephone message. A call shall be considered completed if it encounters a ring-back tone, line busy signal, or intercept facility (except an intercept facility stating that all circuits are busy). A completed call does not necessarily indicate a call for which a subscriber can be charged as in the case of a busy signal or intercept facility. Commission -M The Ohio Public Utilities Commission Company -М Excel Telecommunications, Inc. (Excel). Consumer-N One who ultimately uses or consunes a service, also referred to as an end user.

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Customer/Subscriber -

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Any person, firm, partnership, corporation, municipality, cooperative organization, governmental agency etc., which contracts for telecommunications service and is responsible for the payment of charges and compliance with the rules and regulations of the telecommunications provider.

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Deposit-

A payment required as a safeguard to assure the creditworthiness of a customer or service applicant.

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Holidays -

For the purposes of call rating, the Company observes the following holidays (as Federally observed):

Thanksgiving Day

Christmas Day

Labor Day

New Year's Day

Independence Day

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2.3 Obligation of Customer

2.3.1 The Customer will assume responsibility for all usage and services billed.

2.4 Limitations

- 2.4.1 Service is offered subject to the availability of the necessary facilities and equipment, or both facilities and equipment, provided by other carriers, and subject to the T provisions of this tariff.
- 2.4.2 Excel reserves the right to disconnect or limit service when necessitated, per Commission Rules and with twenty-four hours written notice, by conditions beyond its control, or when the Customer is using service in violation of provisions of this tariff, or in violation of the law.

2.5 <u>Use</u>

2.5.1 Services provided under this tariff may be used for any lawful purpose for which the service is technically suited.

2.6 Liability of the Company

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2.6.1 Liability of the Company for damages arising out of mistakes, omissions, interruptions, delays or errors or defects in the transmission occurring in the course of furnishing service, not caused by the negligence of the Customers, commences upon activation of service and in no event exceeds an amount equivalent to the proportionate charge to the Customer for the period of service during which such mistakes, omissions, interruptions, delays or errors or defects in the transmission occur, or as otherwise determined in a court of law. For the purposes of computing such amount a month is considered to have thirty (30) days.

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2.19 Emergency Calls

2.19.1 All emergency calls will be handled by the Company's underlying carrier(s).

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2.20 Customer Service

2.20.1 In the event that the Customer is experiencing a service or billing problem, the Customer can contact the Company at the phone number located on the bill of the billing entity for resolution. The Customer can communicate with Excel's Customer Service Department in Dallas, Texas by dialing their toll free number, (800) 875-9235. Excel will make all reasonable attempts to resolve the problem. The Customer will receive a response within thirty days of receipt of complaint. If the Customer feels that the matter has not been adequately resolved, the Customer will be advised that further resolution may sought by contacting the Commission at:

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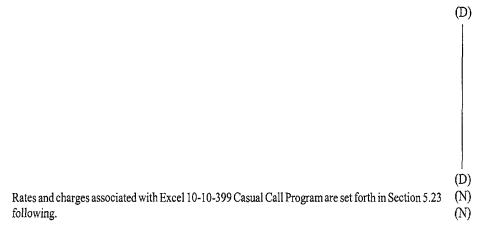
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4.24 Excel 10-10-399 Casual Calling Program:

Excel 10-10-399 Casual Calling Program is an outbound casual calling telecommunications service offering available for intrastate calls and is furnished subject to billing and service availability. Participating Customers may access this service by dialing access code 10-10-399.

Each call has an initial minimum of 10 minutes in duration and will be charged pursuant to the flat Initial Per Call Minimum Charge listed below. Any call in excess of 10 minutes will be charged the corresponding Additional Per Minute Charge listed below. Calls will have an initial minimum of six hundred (600) seconds or 10 minutes, and any time beyond that minimum will be billed in addition, using one minute increments. The duration of the call, which involves a fractional part of a minute will be rounded up to the next higher full minute.

Calls to intrastate Directory Assistance are also provided with this service. To access intrastate Directory Assistance under this calling program, Customers must dial 10-10-399 + the Area Code (NPA) + 555-1212. The per call charge for such calls is set forth below. Calls placed from a public or semi-public payphone, calls requiring Operator Assistance, conference calls, mobile calls, calls to 500, 700, 800/8XX and 900 numbers, and calling card calls are not available under this service. A per call Connection Charge also applies. This Connection Charge is also applicable to each call completed to Directory Assistance in addition to the per minute rate specified below.



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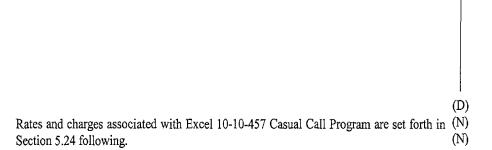
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Per Minute Rates:

Initial 10 Minute Per Call Minimum Charge: 11th Minute and Each Add'l Per Minute Charge: \$0.7000 \$0.0500

Directory Assistance Per Call Charge:

\$1.09

Per Call Connection Charge:

\$0.1500

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Service Hours:

Rates apply 24 hours a day, 7 days a week

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Per Minute Rates:

Initial 5 Minute Per Call Minimum Charge:

\$0.6000

6th Minute and Each Add'l Per Minute Charge:

\$0.1200

Directory Assistance Per Call Charge:

\$0.5000

Per Call Connection Charge:

\$0.1500

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SECTION 1 - TECHNICAL TERMS AND ABBREVIATIONS (Continued)

Authorization Code -

A numerical code, one or more of which are assigned to a Customer to enable the Company to identify use of Service on the Customer's account and to bill the Customer accordingly. Multiple authorization codes may be assigned to a Customer to identify individual users or groups of users. Entitlement to any authorization code shall create no property or other right or interest in the use of any particular authorization code.

Authorized Agent -

Any individual or business designated by a telecommunications provider to act as its representative.

Call -

A completed telephone message. A call shall be considered completed if it encounters a ring-back tone, line busy signal, or intercept facility (except an intercept facility stating that all circuits are busy). A completed call does not necessarily indicate a call for which a subscriber can be charged as in the case of a busy signal or intercept facility.

Carrier Access Code (CAC) -

(N)

(N)

A dialing pattern available only to Equal Access customers to send calls over a carrier other than the one that would automatically carry the customer's "1+" calls. The customer dials "10-1X-XXX" then "1+" the long distance number. "X-XXX" is the four digit Carrier Identification Code of the carrier the customer intends to use.

Commission -

The Ohio Public Utilities Commission

Company -

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Consumer -

One who ultimately consumes a service, also referred to as an end user.

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SECTION I - TECHNICAL TERMS AND ABBREVIATIONS (Continued)

Customer/Subscriber -

Any person, firm, partnership, corporation, municipality, cooperative organization, governmental agency etc., which contracts for telecommunications service and is responsible for the payment of charges and compliance with the rules and regulations of the telecommunications provider.

Default Service - (N)

Designates the Excel service that is automatically assigned to a telephone number that accesses Excel's service on a per call basis via the Company's CAC(s) for 1+ calling. Telephone numbers that are not entered into Excel's billing database and subscribed to another Excel service, either through Customer request or Company-specific marketing activities, will automatically receive the Default Service upon use of a Company CAC(s).

Deposit -

A payment required as a safeguard to assure the creditworthiness of a customer or service applicant.

Holidays -

For the purposes of call rating, the Company observes the following holidays (as Federally observed):

Thanksgiving Day Christmas Day Labor Day
New Year's Day Independence Day

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SECTION II - RULES AND REGULATIONS (Continued)

2.3 Obligation of Customer

2.3.1 The Customer will assume responsibility for all usage and services billed.

2.4 Limitations

- 2.4.1 Service is offered subject to the availability of the necessary facilities and equipment, or both facilities and equipment, provided by other carriers, and subject to the provisions of this tariff.
- 2.4.2 Excel reserves the right to disconnect or limit service when necessitated, per Commission Rules and with twenty-four hours written notice, by conditions beyond its control, or when the Customer is using service in violation of provisions of this tariff, or in violation of the law.
- 2.4.3 For any telephone number which accesses Excel's service on a per call basis via the Company's CAC(s) for 1+ calling and is subscribed to a service listed in this tariff that is not identified as a Default Service, Excel reserves the right to remove the telephone number from the billing database in the event that a period of ninety (90) consecutive days passes during which the telephone number does not access Excel's service via a CAC(s). In the future event that a customer is removed from the Excel billing database, upon next use of Excel's service, the customer 's Excel service will be the then-current default service. The customer will be billed automatically for this use according to the terms of the then-current Default Service.

2.5 <u>Use</u>

2.5.1 Services provided under this tariff may be used for any lawful purpose for which the service is technically suited.

2.6 Liability of the Company

Liability of the Company for damages arising out of mistakes, omissions, interruptions, delays or errors or defects in the transmission occurring in the course of furnishing service, not caused by the negligence of the Customers, commences upon activation of service and in no event exceeds an amount equivalent to the proportionate charge to the Customer for the period of service during which such mistakes, omissions, interruptions, delays or errors or defects in the transmission occur, or as otherwise determined in a court of law. For the purposes of computing such amount a month is considered to have thirty (30) days.

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2.19 Emergency Calls

2.19.1 All emergency calls will be handled by the Company's underlying carrier(s).

2.20 Customer Service

2.20.1 In the event that the Customer is experiencing a service or billing problem, the Customer can contact the Company at the phone number located on the bill of the billing entity for resolution. The Customer can communicate with Excel's Customer Service Department in Dallas, Texas by dialing their toll free number, (800) 875-9235. Excel will make all reasonable attempts to resolve the problem. The Customer will receive a response within thirty days of receipt of complaint. If the Customer feels that the matter has not been adequately resolved, the Customer will be advised that further resolution may sought by contacting the Commission at:

Ohio Public Utilities Commission 180 East Broad Street Columbus, OH 43266-0573

2.21 Multi-brand and Affiliate Credit and Collections Practices

(N)

Excel may collect on behalf of the Company and/or its affiliates or brands in one or more transactions as permitted by law.

Excel reserves the right to apply credit balances from one Excel affiliate or brand to another to satisfy outstanding account balances for billed regulated telecommunications services.

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SECTION IV - RATES (Continued)

4.24 Excel 10-10-399 Casual Calling Program:

Excel 10-10-399 Casual Calling Program is an outbound casual calling telecommunications service offering available for intrastate calls and is furnished subject to billing and service availability. Participating Customers may access this service by dialing access code 10-10-399. Excel 10-10-399 Casual Calling Program is the Default Service for accessing Excel's service on a per call basis via the Company's CAC.

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Each call has an initial minimum of 10 minutes in duration and will be charged pursuant to the flat Initial Per Call Minimum Charge listed below. Any call in excess of 10 minutes will be charged the corresponding Additional Per Minute Charge listed below. Calls will have an initial minimum of six hundred (600) seconds or 10 minutes, and any time beyond that minimum will be billed in addition, using one minute increments. The duration of the call, which involves a fractional part of a minute will be rounded up to the next higher full minute.

Calls to intrastate Directory Assistance are also provided with this service. To access intrastate Directory Assistance under this calling program, Customers must dial 10-10-399 + the Area Code (NPA) + 555-1212. The per call charge for such calls is set forth below. Calls placed from a public or semi-public payphone, calls requiring Operator Assistance, conference calls, mobile calls, calls to 500, 700, 800/8XX and 900 numbers, and calling card calls are not available under this service. A per call Connection Charge also applies. This Connection Charge is also applicable to each call completed to Directory Assistance in addition to the per minute rate specified below.

Rates and charges associated with Excel 10-10-399 Casual Call Program are set forth in Section 5.23 following.

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4.25 Excel 10-10-457 Casual Calling Program

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Each call has an initial minimum of 5 minutes in duration and will be charged pursuant to the flat Initial Per Call Minimum Charge listed below. Any call in excess of 5 minutes will be charged the corresponding Additional Per Minute Charge listed below. Calls will have an initial minimum of three hundred (300) seconds or 5 minutes, and any time beyond that minimum will be billed in addition, using one minute increments. The duration of the call, which involves a fractional part of a minute will be rounded up to the next higher full minute.

Calls to intrastate Directory Assistance are also provided with this service. To access intrastate Directory Assistance under this calling program, Customers must dial 10-10-457 + the Area Code (NPA) + 555-1212. The per call charge for such calls is set forth below. Calls placed from a public or semi-public payphone, calls requiring Operator Assistance, conference calls, mobile calls, calls to 500, 700, 800/8XX and 900 numbers, and calling card calls are not available under this service. A per call Connection Charge also applies. This Connection Charge is also applicable to each call completed to Directory Assistance in addition to the per minute rate specified below.

Rates and charges associated with Excel 10-10-457 Casual Call Program are set forth in Section 5.24 following.

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Per Minute Rates:

Initial 10 Minute Per Call Minimum Charge: \$0.7000 11th Minute and Each Add'l Per Minute Charge:

\$0.0500

Directory Assistance Per Call Charge:

\$1.09

Per Call Connection Charge:

\$0.1500

Service Hours:

Rates apply 24 hours a day, 7 days a week

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Per Minute Rates:

Initial 5 Minute Per Call Minimum Charge:\$0.60006th Minute and Each Add'l Per Minute Charge:\$0.1200

<u>Directory Assistance Per Call Charge:</u> \$0.5000

Per Call Connection Charge: \$0.1500

Service Hours:

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DESCRIPTION OF AND RATIONALE FOR PROPOSED TARIFF CHANGE

Revisions to Sections I - TECHNICAL TERMS AND ABBREVIATIONS,
II - RULES AND REGULATIONS,
IV - RATES, and
V - PRICE LIST

The purpose of this filing is to do the following: 1) introduce new definitions to Section I - Technical Terms and Abbreviations, 2) modify Section II - Rules and Regulations to reflect the inclusion of Sections 2.4.3 and 2.21 and 3) designate Excel's 10-10-399 and 10-10-457 Services as the Default Services available to Customers within the State of Ohio. All tariff revisions included herein are intended to clarify the Company's policies and terms regarding default services for casual users of Excel's services. Please note that the revisions included in this filing will not affect the rates Excel's Customers currently receive.