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Public Utilities Commission of Ohio  
180 East Broad Street  
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Re: Sterling Telecom, Inc.  
Case No. 07-1251-TP-ACE

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Dear Ms. Jenkins:

Enclosed herewith for filing with the Commission please find an original and seven (7) copies of the above-referenced company's Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide resold competitive local and long distance telecommunications services in Ohio.

Also enclosed is a duplicate of the letter. Please date-stamp the enclosed duplicate letter and return same to me in the enclosed postage-paid envelope.

Should you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact me at (269) 381-8844 or [pcrocker@earlylennon.com](mailto:pcrocker@earlylennon.com)

Very truly yours,

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**The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio**  
**TELECOMMUNICATIONS APPLICATION FORM for ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS**  
 (Effective: 09/19/2007)  
 (Pursuant to Case No. 06-1345-TP-ORD)

In the Matter of the Application of Sterling Telecom, Inc.  
 to apply for CLEC certification

TRF Docket No. 90-\_\_\_\_\_

Case No. 07 - 1251 - **TP** - ACE

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

Name of Registrant(s) Sterling Telecom, Inc.  
 DBA(s) of Registrant(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address of Registrant(s) 242 Beverly Road, Huntington Station, New York 11746  
 Company Web Address www.sterlingtelecominc.com  
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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.]

**Section I – Pursuant to Chapter 4901:11-6 OAC – Part I – Please indicate the Carrier Type and the reason for submitting this form by checking the boxes below. CMRS providers: Please see the bottom of Section II.**

NOTES: (1) For requirements for various applications, see the identified section of Ohio Administrative Code Section 4901 and/or the supplemental application form noted.

(2) 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.

Carrier Type <input type="checkbox"/> Other (explain below)	<input type="checkbox"/> ILEC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CLEC	<input type="checkbox"/> CTS	<input type="checkbox"/> AOS/IOS
<b>Tier 1 Regulatory Treatment</b>				
Change Rates within approved Range	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF 1-6-04(B) (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF 1-6-04(B) (0 day Notice)		
New Service, expanded local calling area,	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA 1-6-04(B) (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA 1-6-04(B) (0 day Notice)		
Change Terms and Conditions, Introduce non-recurring service charges	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA 1-6-04(B) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA 1-6-04(B) (Auto 30 days)		
Introduce or Increase Late Payment or Returned Check Charge	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA 1-6-04(B) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA 1-6-04(B) (Auto 30 days)		
Business Contract	<input type="checkbox"/> CTR 1-6-17 (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> CTR 1-6-17 (0 day Notice)		
Withdrawal	<input type="checkbox"/> ATW 1-6-12(A) (Non-Auto)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATW 1-6-12(A) (Auto 30 days)		
Raise the Ceiling of a Rate	Not Applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> SLF 1-6-04(B) (Auto 30 days)		
<b>Tier 2 Regulatory Treatment</b>				
Residential - Introduce non-recurring service charges	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF 1-6-05(E) (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF 1-6-05(E) (0 day Notice)		
Residential - Introduce New Tariffed Tier 2 Service(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF 1-6-05(C) (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF 1-6-05(C) (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF 1-6-05(C) (0 day Notice)	
Residential - Change Rates, Terms and Conditions, Promotions, or Withdrawal	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF 1-6-05(E) (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF 1-6-05(E) (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF 1-6-05(E) (0 day Notice)	
Residential - Tier 2 Service Contracts	<input type="checkbox"/> CTR 1-6-17 (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> CTR 1-6-17 (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> CTR 1-6-17 (0 day Notice)	
Commercial (Business) Contracts	Not Filed	Not Filed	Not Filed	
Business Services (see "Other" below)	Detariffed	Detariffed	Detariffed	
Residential & Business Toll Services (see "Other" below)	Detariffed	Detariffed	Detariffed	

## Section I – Part II – Certificate Status and Procedural

Certificate Status	ILEC	CLEC	CTS	AOS/IOS
Certification (See Supplemental ACE form)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ACE 1-6-10 (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACE 1-6-10 (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACE 1-6-10 (Auto 30 days)
Add Exchanges to Certificate	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA 1-6-09(C) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> AAC 1-6-10(F) (0 day Notice)	CLECs must attach a current CLEC Exchange Listing Form	
Abandon all Services - With Customers	<input type="checkbox"/> ABN 1-6-11(A) (Non-Auto)	<input type="checkbox"/> ABN 1-6-11(A) (Auto 90 day)	<input type="checkbox"/> ABN 1-6-11(B) (Auto 14 day)	<input type="checkbox"/> ABN 1-6-11(B) (Auto 14 day)
Abandon all Services - Without Customers		<input type="checkbox"/> ABN 1-6-11(A) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ABN 1-6-11(B) (Auto 14 day)	<input type="checkbox"/> ABN 1-6-11(B) (Auto 14 day)
Change of Official Name	<input type="checkbox"/> ACN 1-6-14(B) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACN 1-6-14(B) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO 1-6-14(A) (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO 1-6-14(A) (0 day Notice)
Change in Ownership	<input type="checkbox"/> ACO 1-6-14(B) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACO 1-6-14(B) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO 1-6-14(A) (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO 1-6-14(A) (0 day Notice)
Merger	<input type="checkbox"/> AMT 1-6-14(B) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> AMT 1-6-14(B) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO 1-6-14(A) (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO 1-6-14(A) (0 day Notice)
Transfer a Certificate	<input type="checkbox"/> ATC 1-6-14(B) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATC 1-6-14(B) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO 1-6-14(A) (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO 1-6-14(A) (0 day Notice)
Transaction for transfer or lease of property, plant or business	<input type="checkbox"/> ATR 1-6-14(B) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATR 1-6-14(B) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO 1-6-14(A) (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO 1-6-14(A) (0 day Notice)
<b>Procedural</b>				
Designation of Process Agent(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF (0 day Notice)

**All Section I applications that result in a change to one or more tariff pages require, at a minimum, the following exhibits. Other exhibits may be required under the applicable rule(s).**

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 II – Carrier to Carrier (Pursuant to 95-845-TP-COI), CMRS and Other

Carrier to Carrier	ILEC	CLEC		
Interconnection agreement, or amendment to an approved agreement	<input type="checkbox"/> NAG (Auto 90 day)	<input type="checkbox"/> NAG (Auto 90 day)		
Request for Arbitration	<input type="checkbox"/> ARB (Non-Auto)	<input type="checkbox"/> ARB (Non-Auto)		
Introduce or change c-t-c service tariffs,		<input type="checkbox"/> ATA (Auto 30 day)		
Introduce or change access service pursuant to 07-464-TP-COI	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA (Auto 30 day)			
Request rural carrier exemption, rural carrier suspension or modification	<input type="checkbox"/> UNC (Non-Auto)	<input type="checkbox"/> UNC (Non-Auto)		
Pole attachment changes in terms and conditions and price changes.	<input type="checkbox"/> UNC (Non-Auto)	<input type="checkbox"/> UNC (Non-Auto)		
<b>CMRS Providers</b> See 4901:1-6-15	<input type="checkbox"/> RCC [Registration & Change in Operations] (0 day)		<input type="checkbox"/> NAG [Interconnection Agreement or Amendment] (Auto 90 days)	
<b>Other*</b> (explain) _____				

*\*NOTE: During the interim period between the effective date of the rules and an Applicant's Detariffing Filing, changes to existing business Tier 2 and all toll services, including the addition of new business Tier 2 and all new toll services, will be processed as 0-day TRF filings, and briefly described in the "Other" section above.*

### Section III. – Attestation

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

#### AFFIDAVIT

##### *Compliance with Commission Rules and Service Standards*

I am an officer/agent of the applicant corporation, Sterling Telecom, Inc., and am authorized to make this statement on its behalf.  
(Name)

I attest that these tariffs comply with all applicable rules, including the Minimum Telephone Service Standards (MTSS) Pursuant to Chapter 4901:1-5 OAC for the state of Ohio. I understand that tariff notification filings do not imply Commission approval and that the Commission's rules, including the Minimum Telephone Service Standards, 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 declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on (Date) 10/25/07 at (Location) 242 Beverly Rdg Hunt Sta Ny 11746

\*(Signature and Title) Veronica Honor - Pres (Date) 10/25/07

- 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, Veronica Honor  
verify that I have utilized the Telecommunications Application Form for Routine 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) Veronica Honor - President (Date) 10/25/07

..\*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/

*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*

**The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio**  
**TELECOMMUNICATIONS SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION FORM**  
**for CARRIER CERTIFICATION**

(Effective: 09/19/2007)

(Pursuant to Case Nos. 06-1344-TP-ORD and 06-1345-TP-ORD)

NOTE: This SUPPLEMENTAL form must be used WITH the  
TELECOMMUNICATIONS APPLICATION FORM for ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS.

In the Matter of the Application of Sterling Telecom, Inc.  
to apply for CLEC certification

Case No. 07 - 1251 - **TP** - ACE

Name of Registrant(s) Sterling Telecom, Inc.

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

Address of Registrant(s) 242 Beverly Road, Huntington Station, NY 11746

Motion for protective order included with filing? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Motion for waiver(s) filed affecting this case? ☐ Yes ☒ No [Note: waiver(s) tolls any automatic timeframe]

**List of Required Exhibits**

**Tariffs: (Include all that apply)**

☐ Interexchange Tariff<sup>1</sup>

☒ Local Tariff<sup>1</sup>

☐ Carrier-to-Carrier (Access) Tariff

**Description of Services**

NOTE: All Facilities-Based carriers must file an Access Tariff

☒ Service provisioned via Resale

☐ Service provisioned via Facilities

☐ Both Resold and Facilities-based

☒ Description of Proposed Services

☒ Statement about the provision of  
CTS services

☒ Description of the proposed  
market area

☒ Explanation of how the proposed  
services in the proposed market  
area are in the public interest.

☒ Description of the class of customers (e.g., residence, business) that the  
applicant intends to serve

**Business Requirements**

**Evidence of Registration with:**

☒ Ohio Department of Taxation

☒ Ohio Secretary of State<sup>2</sup> &  
Certificate of Good Standing

**Documentation attesting to the applicant's financial viability, including the following:**

☒ An executive Summary describing the applicant's current financial condition, liquidity, and capital resources. Describe internally generated sources of cash and external funds available to support the applicant's operations that are the subject of this certification application.

☒ Copy of financial statements (actual and pro forma income statement and a balance sheet). Indicate if financial statements are based on a certain geographical area(s) or information in other jurisdictions

☒ Documentation to support the applicant's cash and funding sources.

**Documentation attesting to the applicant's managerial ability and corporate structure, including the following:**

☒ Documentation attesting to the applicant's technical and managerial expertise relative to the proposed service offering(s) and proposed service area

☒ List of names, addresses, and phone numbers of officers and directors, or partners.

☒ Documentation indicating the applicant's corporate structure and ownership

☒ Information regarding any similar operations in other states.

If this company has been previously certified in the State of Ohio, include that certification number \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>1</sup> Detariffed services are regulated but not required to be filed in a tariff. For purposes of Certification, all detariffed services offered must be provided as an exhibit.

<sup>2</sup> Certification from Ohio Secretary of State (domestic or foreign corporation, authorized use of fictitious name, etc.), and Certificate of Good Standing is required.

- ☒ Verification that the applicant will maintain local telephony records separate and apart from any other accounting records in accordance with the GAAP.

**Documentation attesting to the applicant's managerial ability and corporate structure (cont'd):**

- ☒ Verification of compliance with any affiliate transaction requirements

**Documentation attesting to the applicant's proposed interactions with other Carriers**

- ☒ Explanation as to whether rates are derived through (check all applicable):

☒ interconnection agreement

☐ retail tariffs

☒ resale tariffs

- ☒ Explanation as to which service areas company currently has an approved interconnection or resale agreement.

- ☒ A notarized affidavit accompanied by bona fide 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.

**Documentation attesting to the applicant's proposed interactions with Customers**

- ☒ Explanation of whether applicant intends to provide Local Services which require payment in advance of Customer receiving dial tone.

- ☒ Tariff sheet(s) listing the services and associated charges that must be paid prior to customer receiving dial tone (if applicable)

- ☒ A sample copy of the customer bill and disconnection notice the applicant plans to utilize.

- ☒ Provide a copy of any customer application form required in order to establish residential service, if applicable.

- ☒ For CLECs, List of Ohio ILEC Exchanges the applicant intends to serve  
(Use spreadsheet from: [http://www.puc.state.oh.us/puco/forms/form.cfm?doc\\_id=357](http://www.puc.state.oh.us/puco/forms/form.cfm?doc_id=357))

- ☒ If Mirroring the entire ILEC exchanges for both serving area and local calling areas, tariffs may incorporate by reference. If not mirroring the entire ILEC serving and/or local calling areas, the CLEC shall specifically define their service and local calling areas in the tariff.

**Affidavit**

I am an authorized representative of the applicant corporation Sterling Telecom, Inc.

(Name)

and I am authorized to make this statement on its behalf. I attest that I have utilized the Telecommunications Supplemental Application Form for Carrier Certification 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.

Executed on December 6, 2007

at Kalamazoo, MI

(Signature and Title) Patrick D. Crocker, Attorney

December 6, 2007  
(Date)

VERIFICATION

State of New York )  
 ) ss.  
County of Suffolk )

Veronica Honor makes oath and says that she is President  
of Sterling Telecom, Inc.

that she has examined the foregoing Answers and Statements and that to the best of her knowledge, information, and belief, all statements of fact contained in the said Answers and Statements are true, and the said Document is a correct statement of the business and affairs of the above-named applicant in respect to each and every matter set forth therein.

Veronica Honor  
(Signature of affiant) Veronica Honor  
Sterling Telecom, Inc.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public/ Ann S. Strong  
(Title of person authorized to administer oaths)

in the State and County above named, this 4 day of October, 2007.

Ann S. Strong  
(Signature of person authorized to administer oath)

ANN S. STRONG  
Notary Public, State of New York  
No. 01ST5082013  
Qualified in Suffolk County  
Commission Expires July 14 2011

My Commission expires: July 14, 2011

## **EXHIBIT LIST**

<b>EXHIBIT A</b>	<b>TARIFF</b>
<b>Exhibit B</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES</b>
Exhibit B-1	How Service Provisioned
Exhibit B-2	Description of Proposed Services
Exhibit B-3	Statement about Provision of CTS Services
Exhibit B-4	Description of Proposed Market Area
Exhibit B-5	Explanation of How Proposed Market Area is in Public Interest
Exhibit B-6	Description of Class of Customers Served
<b>EXHIBIT C</b>	<b>BUSINESS REQUIREMENTS</b>
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Exhibit C-2	Certification Ohio Secretary of State and Good Standing Certificate
<b>EXHIBIT D</b>	<b>DOCUMENTATION ATTESTING TO FINANCIAL VIABILITY</b>
Exhibit D-1	Executive Summary of Financial Condition, Liquidity, and Capital Resources
Exhibit D-2	Financial Statements (Actual and Pro Forma Income Statement and Balance Sheet)
Exhibit D-3	Documentation to support cash and funding sources.
<b>EXHIBIT E</b>	<b>MANAGERIAL ABILITY AND CORPORATE STRUCTURE</b>
Exhibit E-1	Technical and Managerial Expertise
Exhibit E-2	Officers and Directors
Exhibit E-3	Corporate Structure and Ownership
Exhibit E-4	Similar Operations in Other States
Exhibit E-5	Verification Records Maintained in Accordance with GAAP
Exhibit E-6	Compliance with Affiliate Transaction Requirements
<b>EXHIBIT F</b>	<b>Documentation Attesting to Proposed Interactions with Carriers</b>
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Exhibit F-2	Explanation Service Areas Approved Interconnection or Resale Agreement
Exhibit F-3	Notarized Affidavit accompanied by bona fide letters requesting negotiation, proposed timeline for construction, interconnection, and offering of service to end users.
<b>EXHIBIT G</b>	<b>Documentation Attesting to Proposed Interactions with Customers</b>
Exhibit G-1	Explanation of Required Payment in Advance of Receiving Dial Tone
Exhibit G-2	Tariff Sheets for Services and Charges to be Paid Prior to Receiving Dial Tone
Exhibit G-3	Sample Bill and Disconnection Notice
Exhibit G-4	Customer Application to Establish Residential Service
Exhibit G-5	List of Ohio ILEC Exchanges
Exhibit G-6	Mirroring Statement



**EXHIBIT A**

**Tariffs**

**See Exhibit A-1**

## **EXHIBT A-1**

### **Local Exchange Tariff**

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LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICES

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REGULATIONS AND SCHEDULE OF INTRASTATE CHARGES  
APPLYING TO LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE FURNISHED BY  
STERLING TELECOM, INC.  
THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF OHIO

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Issued: December 7, 2007

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Issued by: Veronica Honor, President  
STERLING TELECOM, INC.  
242 Beverly Road  
Huntington Station, NY 11746

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LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICES

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**CHECK SHEET**

Pages inclusive of this tariff are effective as of the date shown. Original and revised pages, as named below, comprise all changes from the original tariff in effect on the date indicated.

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**EXPLANATION OF SYMBOLS, REFERENCE MARKS, AND ABBREVIATIONS OF  
TECHNICAL TERMS USED IN THIS TARIFF**

The following symbols shall be used in this tariff for the purpose indicated below:

- C - To signify changed regulation.
- D - To signify decreased rate.
- I - To signify increased rate.
- T - Textural Change.
- N - New rate or regulation.

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**APPLICATION OF TARIFF**

This tariff sets forth the service offerings, rates, terms and conditions applicable to the furnishing of intrastate communications services by STERLING TELECOM, INC. to Customers within the local exchange service area defined herein. This tariff is effective only where an approved resale / interconnection agreement exists with the incumbent LEC currently serving such area.

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**SECTION 1 - DEFINITIONS**

Certain terms used generally throughout this tariff are defined below.

Account Codes: Allows a User to allocate local calls to a digital, nonverified account code.

Advance Payment: Payment of all or part of a charge for special construction required before the start of service.

Authorized User: A person, firm, corporation or other entity that either is authorized by the Customer to use local exchange telephone service or is placed in a position by the Customer, either through acts or omissions, to use local exchange telephone service.

Call Forward Busy: Automatically routes incoming calls to a designated answering point when the called line is busy.

Call Forward No Answer: Automatically routes incoming calls to a designated answering point when the called line does not answer within a pre-specified number of rings.

Call Forward Variable: Automatically routes incoming calls to a designated answering point, regardless of whether the user's Station is idle or busy.

Call Hold: Allows the User to hold one call for any length of time provided that neither party goes On- Hook.

Call Park: Allows a User to "park" a call against their directory number within the business group and "unpark" the call from any other directory number. A business group consists of a series of Customer-defined telephone numbers.

Call Pickup: Allows a User to answer incoming calls to another Station line within a defined call pickup group. Call Pickup is provided as either Group Call Pickup, where predesignated groups can pickup each other's calls by activating an access code or a feature key, or Directed Call Pickup, where dialing a different access code followed by the extension number can retrieve any call.

Call Transfer/Consultation/Conference: Provides the capability to transfer or add a third party, using the same line.

Call Waiting: Provides the User with a burst of tone to indicate that another call is waiting. The second call can either be answered by flashing the switchhook or hanging up the phone and being rung back by the caller.

Call Waiting Cancel: Allows a User to cancel the Call Waiting feature on a per call basis by dialing a specific two-digit code.

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Calling Number Delivery: Identifies the 10-digit number of the calling party.

Calling Number Delivery Blocking: Blocks the delivery of the number to the called party on a per call or per line basis.

Class of Service (COS): Used to prevent a Station from dialing certain codes and numbers.

Company: STERLING TELECOM, INC., which is the issuer of this tariff.

Commission: The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio.

Conference/Six-Way: The User can sequentially call up to five other people and add them together to make up a six-way call.

Customer: The person, firm, corporation or other entity, which orders service and is responsible for the payment of charges and for compliance with the Company's tariff regulations.

Customer Group Dialing Plan: A dialing scheme shared by the members of a Customer group, such as 4 digit internal dialing.

Dial Pulse (DP): The pulse type employed by rotary dial Station sets.

Direct Inward Dialing (DID): A service attribute that routes incoming calls directly to Stations, by-passing a central answering point.

Do Not Disturb: Allows the User to prevent incoming calls from ringing its line by diverting them to a tone or a recorded announcement that informs the caller that the User is not accepting calls at this time.

Dual Tone Multi-Frequency ("DTMF"): The pulse type employed by tone dial Station sets.

Hunting: Routes a call to an idle Station line. With Serial Hunting, calls to a member of a hunt group will search from that point to the end of the group and stop.

Individual Case Basis: A service arrangement in which the regulations, rates and charges are developed based on the specific circumstances of the Customer's situation.

Joint User: A person, firm or corporation designated by the Customer as a user of local exchange service furnished to the Customer by the Company, and to whom a portion of the charges for such facilities are billed under a joint use arrangement.

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**SECTION 1 – DEFINITIONS (continued)**

LATA: A local access and transport area established pursuant to the Modification of Final Judgment entered by the United States District Court for the District of Columbia in Civil Action No. 82-0192 for the provision and administration of communications services.

Least Idle Trunk Selection (LIDL): LIDL trunk selection occurs when a switching unit selects from a Trunk group the Trunk that has been idle for the shortest period of time.

Local Calling: A completed call or telephonic communication between a calling Station and any other station within the local service area of the calling Station.

Local Exchange Carrier: Any individual, partnership, association, joint-stock company, trust governmental entity or corporation engaged in the provision of local exchange telephone service.

Mbps: Megabits, or million of Bits, per second.

Message Waiting: This feature provides an indication to a Station User that a message is waiting. Indications may be visual (lamp) or audible (stuttered dial tone).

Most Idle Trunk Selection (MIDL): MIDL Trunk selection occurs when a switching unit selects from a Trunk group the Trunk that has been idle for the longest period of time.

Multiple Appearance Directory Numbers: A directory number that is assigned more than once to one or more Proprietary Business Sets.

Multi-Frequency ("MF"): An inter-machine pulse-type used for signaling between telephone switches or between telephone switches and PBX/key systems.

Nonrecurring Charges: The one-time initial charges for services or facilities, including but not limited to charges for construction, installation, or special fees, for which the Customer becomes liable at the time the Service Order is executed.

Off-Hook: The term "off-hook" denotes the active condition of a telephone exchange service line.

On-Hook: The term "on-hook" denotes the idle condition of a telephone exchange service line.

Originating Off-Net: A call terminating on and placed via non-company owned or leased facilities.

Originating On-Net: A call terminating on and placed via company owned or company leased facilities.

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**SECTION 1 – DEFINITIONS (continued)**

Recurring Charges: The monthly charges to the Customer for services, facilities and equipment, which continue for the agreed upon duration of the service.

Presubscription: Presubscription is an arrangement whereby an end user may select and designate to the Telephone Company an interexchange carrier (IXC) to access, without an access code, for toll calls. This IXC is referred to as the end user's predesignated IXC.

Service Commencement Date: The first day following the date on which the Company notifies the Customer that the requested service or facility is available for use, unless extended by the Customer's refusal to accept service which does not conform to standards set forth in the Service Order or this tariff, in which case the Service Commencement Date is the date of the Customer's acceptance of service. The parties may mutually agree on a substitute Service Commencement Date.

Service Order: A request for local exchange service by the Customer in a format specified by the Company. Service Orders shall contain or reference the name and address of the Customer, a specific description of the services ordered, the rate to be charged, the duration of the services, and the terms and conditions in this tariff. The Customer may initiate a Service Order by telephone, e-mail or other electronic means, or in writing, however, the Company reserves the right to require that the Customer prior to initiating service execute Service Orders.

Services: The Company's telecommunications services offered on the Company's network.

Speed Call: Provides a User with the option to call selected directory numbers by dialing a one or two-digit code.

Station: Telephone equipment from or to which calls are placed.

Trunk: A communications path connecting two switching systems in a network, used in the establishment of an end-to-end connection.

User: A Customer or any other person authorized by the Customer to use service provided under this tariff.

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**SECTION 2 – REGULATIONS****2.1 Undertaking of the Company****2.1.1 Scope**

The Company undertakes to furnish communications service in connection with one-way and/or two-way information transmission between points within the State of Ohio under the terms of this tariff.

Customers may use services and facilities provided under this tariff to obtain access to services offered by other service providers. The Company is responsible under this tariff only for the services and facilities provided herein, and it assumes no responsibility for any service provided by any other entity that purchases access to the Company network in order to originate or terminate its own services, or to communicate with its own Customers.

**2.1.2 Shortage of Equipment or Facilities**

2.1.2.1 The Company reserves the right to limit or allocate the use of existing facilities, or of additional facilities offered by the Company when necessary because of lack of facilities or due to some other cause beyond the Company's control.

2.1.2.2 The furnishing of service under this tariff is subject to the availability on a continuing basis of all the necessary facilities and is limited to the facilities the Company may obtain from other carriers, from time to time, to furnish service as required at the sole discretion of the Company.

**2.1.3 Terms and Conditions**

2.1.3.1 Except as otherwise provided herein, service is provided and billed on the basis of a minimum period of at least one month, and shall continue to be provided until canceled by the Customer. Unless otherwise specified herein, for the purpose of computing charges in this tariff, a month is considered to have 30 days. All calculations of dates set forth in this tariff shall be based on calendar days, unless otherwise specified herein.

2.1.3.2 Customers may be required to enter into written Service Orders which shall contain or reference the name of the Customer, a specific description of the service ordered, the rate to be charged, the duration of the services, and the terms and conditions in this tariff.

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**SECTION 2 – REGULATIONS (continued)****2.1 Undertaking of the Company (continued)****2.1.3 Terms and Conditions (continued)**

2.1.3.3 At the expiration of the initial term specified in each Service Order, or in any extension thereof, service shall continue on a month to month basis at the then current rates unless terminated by either party upon 30 days written notice. Any termination shall not relieve Customer of its obligation to pay any charges incurred under the Service Order and this tariff prior to termination. The rights and obligations that by their nature extend beyond the termination of the term of the Service Order shall survive such termination.

2.1.3.4 This tariff shall be interpreted and governed by the laws of the State of Ohio without regard of the State's choice of laws provision.

2.1.3.5 Another telephone company must not interfere with the right of any person or entity to obtain service directly from the Company.

2.1.3.6 The Customer has no property right to the telephone number or any other call number designation associated with services furnished by the Company. The Company reserves the right to change such numbers, or the central office designation associated with such numbers, or both, assigned to the Customer, whenever the Company deems it necessary to do so in the conduct of its business. Nothing in this provision shall be construed to be inconsistent with number portability requirements.

2.1.3.7 The Customer agrees to operate Company-provided equipment in accordance with instructions of the Company or the Company's agent. Failure to do so will void Company liability for interruption of service and may make the Customer responsible for damage to equipment pursuant to section 2.1.3.8 below.

2.1.3.8 The Customer agrees to return to the Company all Company-provided equipment delivered to Customer within five (5) days of termination of the service in connection with which the equipment was used. Said equipment shall be in the same condition as when delivered to Customer, normal wear and tear only excepted. Customer shall reimburse the Company, upon demand, for any costs incurred by the Company due to Customer's failure to comply with this provision.

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**SECTION 2 – REGULATIONS (continued)****2.1 Undertaking of the Company (continued)****2.1.4 Liability of the Company**

Because the Customer has exclusive control of its communications over the services furnished by the Company, and because interruptions and errors incident to these services are unavoidable, the services the Company furnishes are subject to the terms, conditions, and limitations specified in this tariff and to such particular terms, conditions, and limitations as set forth in the special regulations applicable to the particular services and facilities furnished under this tariff.

2.1.4.1 The liability of the Company for damages arising out of the furnishing of these services, including but not limited to mistakes, omissions, interruptions, delays, or errors, or other defects, representations, or use of these services or arising out of the failure to furnish the service, whether caused by acts of commission or omission, shall be limited to the extension of allowances for interruption and any other remedies specified by the Commission pursuant to the Minimum Telephone Service Standards.

2.1.4.2 The Company shall not be liable or responsible for any special, consequential, exemplary, lost profits, or punitive damages, whether or not caused by the intentional acts or omissions or negligence of the Company's employees, agents or contractors.

2.1.4.3 The Company shall not be liable for any failure of performance or equipment due to causes beyond its control, including but not limited to: fire, flood or other catastrophes; any law, order, regulation, direction, action, or request of the United States Government, or of any other government, including state and local governments having or claiming jurisdiction over the Company, or of any department, agency commission, bureau, corporation, or other instrumentality of any one or more of these federal, state, or local governments, or any civil or military authority; national emergencies; insurrections; riots; wars; unavailability of rights-of-way or materials; or strikes, lock-outs, work stoppages, or other labor difficulties. Rule 4901:5-16 crediting provisions will apply in accordance with the Minimum Telephone Service Standards and relevant Commission Orders. The Company may apply for an act of God waiver in accordance with Rule 4901:5-16(C).

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**SECTION 2 – REGULATIONS (continued)****2.1 Undertaking of the Company (continued)****2.1.4 Liability of the Company (continued)**

2.1.4.4 The Company shall not be liable for any damages or losses due to the fault or negligence of the Customer or due to the failure or malfunction of Customer provided equipment or facilities.

2.1.4.5 The Company shall not be liable for the claims of vendors supplying equipment to Customers of the Company, which may be installed at premises of the Company, nor shall the Company be liable for the performance of said vendor or vendor's equipment.

2.1.4.6 The Company does not guarantee nor make any warranty with respect to installations it provides for use in an explosive atmosphere. The Customer indemnifies and holds the Company harmless from any and all loss, claims, demands, suits, or other action, or any liability whatsoever, whether suffered, made, instituted, or asserted by any other party or person(s), and for any loss, damage, or destruction of any property, whether owned by the Customer or others, caused or claimed to have been caused directly or indirectly by the installation, operation, failure to operate, maintenance, removal, presence, condition, location, or use of any installation so provided.

2.1.4.7 The Company shall not be liable for any damages whatsoever to property resulting from the installation, maintenance, repair or removal of equipment and associated wiring unless the damage is caused by the Company's willful misconduct or negligence.

2.1.4.8 The Company shall not incur any liability, direct or indirect, to any person who dials or attempts to dial the digits "9-1-1" or to any other person who may be affected by the dialing of the digits "9-1-1".

2.1.4.9 THE COMPANY MAKES NO WARRANTIES OR REPRESENTATIONS, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED EITHER IN FACT OR BY OPERATION OF LAW, STATUTORY OR OTHERWISE, INCLUDING WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR USE, EXCEPT THOSE EXPRESSLY SET FORTH HEREIN.

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**SECTION 2 – REGULATIONS (continued)****2.1 Undertaking of the Company (continued)****2.1.5 Notification of Service-Affecting Activities**

The Company will provide the Customer reasonable notification of service-affecting activities that may occur in normal operation of its business. Such activities may include, but are not limited to, equipment or facilities additions, removals or rearrangements and routine preventative maintenance. Generally, such activities are not specific to an individual Customer but affect many Customers' services. No specific advance notification period is applicable to all service activities. The Company will work cooperatively with the Customer to determine the reasonable notifications requirements. With some emergency or unplanned service-affecting conditions, such as outage resulting from cable damage, notification to the Customer may not be possible.

**2.1.6 Provision of Equipment and Facilities**

2.1.6.1 The Company shall install new service in accordance with Ohio Administrative Code, Rule 4901:1-5-16 and 4901:1-5-20.

2.1.6.2 Repair appointments and commitments shall comply with Ohio Administrative Code, Rule 4901:1-5-16 and 4901:1-5-20.

2.1.6.3 The Company shall use reasonable efforts to maintain facilities that it furnishes to the Customer. The Customer may not, nor may the Customer permit others to, rearrange, disconnect, remove, attempt to repair or otherwise interfere with any of the facilities installed by the Company, except upon the written consent of the Company.

2.1.6.4 Equipment installed at the Customer Premises for use in connection with the services the Company offers shall not be used for any purpose other than that for which the Company provided it.

2.1.6.5 The Company shall not be responsible for the installation, operation, or maintenance of any Customer provided communications equipment. Where such equipment is connected to the facilities furnished pursuant to this tariff, the responsibility of the company shall be limited to the furnishing of facilities offered under this tariff and to the maintenance and operation of such facilities. Beyond this responsibility, the Company shall not be responsible for:

- (a) the transmission of signals by Customer provided equipment or for the quality of, or defects in, such transmission; or
- (b) the reception of signals by Customer provided equipment; or
- (c) network control signaling where such signaling is performed by Customer-provided network control signaling equipment.

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**SECTION 2 – REGULATIONS (continued)****2.1 Undertaking of the Company (continued)****2.1.7 Non-routine Installation**

At the Customer's request, installation and/or maintenance may be performed outside the Company's regular business hours or in hazardous locations. In such cases, charges based on cost of the actual labor, material, or other costs incurred by or charged to the Company will apply. If installation is started during regular business hours but at the Customer's request extends beyond regular business hours into time periods including, but not limited to, weekends, holidays, and/or night hours, additional charges may apply.

**2.1.8 Ownership of Facilities**

Title to all facilities provided in accordance with this tariff remains in the Company, its agents or contractors.

**2.1.9 Telecommunications Service Priority**

The Telecommunications Service Priority System is the regulatory, administrative and operational system authorizing and providing for priority treatment, to provide and restore National Security Emergency Preparedness Telecommunications service. Under the rules of the Telecommunications Service Priority System, The telephone company is authorized and required to provide and restore services with Telecommunications Service Priority assignments before services without such assignments. The provision and restoration of Telecommunications Service Priority System services shall be in compliance with Part 64, Appendix A, of the Federal Communications Commission's Rules and Regulations, the guidelines set forth in the Telecommunications Service Priority for National Security Emergency Preparedness Service User Manual and Service Vendor Handbook.

**2.2 Prohibited Uses**

2.2.1 The service the Company offers shall not be used for any unlawful purpose or for any use as to which the Customer has not obtained all required governmental approvals, authorizations, licenses, consents and permits.

2.2.2 The Company may require a Customer to immediately shut down its transmission of signals if said transmission is causing interference to others.

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**SECTION 2 – REGULATIONS (continued)****2.3 Obligations of the Customer****2.3.1 General**

The Customer shall be responsible for:

- (a) the payment of all applicable charges pursuant to this tariff;
- (b) reimbursing the Company for damage to, or loss of, the Company's facilities or equipment caused by the acts or omissions of the Customer; or the noncompliance by the Customer, with these regulations; or by fire or theft or other casualty on the Customer's premises, unless caused by the negligence or willful misconduct of the employees or agents of the Company. The Company will, upon reimbursement for damages, cooperate with the Customer in prosecuting a claim against the person causing such damage and the Customer shall be subrogated to the Company's right of recovery of damages to the extent of such payment.
- (c) providing at no charge, as specified from time to time by the Company, any needed personnel, equipment, space and power to operate Company facilities and equipment installed on the premises of the Customer, and the level of heating and air conditioning necessary to maintain the proper operating environment on such premises;
- (d) obtaining, maintaining, and otherwise having full responsibility for all rights-of-way and conduit necessary for installation of fiber optic cable and associated equipment used to provide local exchange service to the Customer from the cable building entrance or property line to the location of the equipment space described in 2.3.1(c). Any costs associated with obtaining and maintaining the rights-of-way described herein, including the costs of altering the structure to permit installation of the Company-provided facilities, shall be borne entirely by, or may be charged by the Company to, the Customer. The Company may require the Customer to demonstrate its compliance with this section prior to accepting an order for service;

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**SECTION 2 – REGULATIONS (continued)****2.3 Obligations of the Customer (continued)****2.3.1 General (continued)**

- (e) providing a safe place to work and complying with all laws and regulations regarding the working conditions on the premises at which Company employees and agents shall be installing or maintaining the Company's facilities and equipment. The Customer may be required to install and maintain Company facilities and equipment within a hazardous area if, in the Company's opinion, injury or damage to the Company's employees or property might result from installation or maintenance by the Company. The Customer shall be responsible for identifying, monitoring, removing and disposing of any hazardous material (e.g. friable asbestos) prior to any construction or installation work;
- (f) complying with all laws and regulations applicable to, and obtaining all consents, approvals, licenses and permits as may be required with respect to, the location of Company facilities and equipment in any Customer premises or the rights-of-way for which Customer is responsible under Section 2.3.1 (d) above; and granting or obtaining permission for Company agents or employees to enter the premises of the Customer at any time for the purpose of installing, inspecting, maintaining, repairing, or upon termination of service as stated herein, removing the facilities or equipment of the Company;
- (g) not creating or allowing to be placed or maintained any liens or other encumbrances on the Company's equipment or facilities; and
- (h) making Company facilities and equipment available periodically for maintenance purposes at a time agreeable to both the Company and the Customer. No allowance for interruptions in service will be made for the period during which service is interrupted for such purposes.

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**SECTION 2 – REGULATIONS (continued)****2.3 Obligations of the Customer (continued)****2.3.2 Claims**

With respect to any service or facility provided by the Company, Customer shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Company from all claims, actions, damages, liabilities, costs and expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees for:

- (a) any loss, destruction or damage to property of the Company or any third party, or the death of or injury to persons, including, but not limited to, employees or invitees of either the Company or the Customer, to the extent caused by or resulting from the negligent or intentional act or omission of the Customer, its employees, agents, representatives or invitees; or
- (b) any claim, loss damage, expense or liability for infringement of any copyright, patent, trade secret, or any proprietary or intellectual property right of any third party, arising from any act or omission by the Customer, including, without limitation, use of the Company's services and facilities in a name not contemplated by the agreement between the Customer and the Company.

**2.4 Customer Equipment and Channels****2.4.1 General**

A Customer may transmit or receive information or signals via the facilities of the Company.

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**SECTION 2 – REGULATIONS (continued)****2.4 Customer Equipment and Channels (continued)****2.4.2 Station Equipment**

2.4.2.1 The Customer is responsible for providing and maintaining any terminal equipment on the Customer premises. The electric power consumed by such equipment shall be provided by, and maintained at the expense of, the Customer. All such terminal equipment must be registered with the FCC under 47 C.F.R., Part 68 and all wiring must be installed and maintained in compliance with those regulations. The Company will, where practicable, notify the Customer that temporary discontinuance of the use of a service may be required; however, where prior notice is not practicable, nothing contained herein shall be deemed to impair the Company's right to discontinue forthwith the use of a service temporarily if such action is reasonable under the circumstances. In case of such temporary discontinuance, the Customer will be promptly notified and afforded the opportunity to correct the condition that gave rise to the temporary discontinuance. During such period of temporary discontinuance, credit allowance for service interruptions as set forth in Section 2.6 following is not applicable.

2.4.2.2 The Customer is responsible for ensuring that Customer-provided equipment connected to Company equipment and facilities is compatible with such equipment and facilities. The magnitude and character of the voltages and currents impressed on Company-provided equipment and wiring by the connection, operation, or maintenance of such equipment and wiring shall be such as not to cause damage to the Company-provided equipment and wiring or injury to the Company's employees or other persons. Any additional protective equipment required to prevent such damage or injury shall be provided by the Company at the Customer's expense.

**2.4.3 Interconnection of Facilities**

2.4.3.1 Any special interface equipment necessary to achieve compatibility between the facilities and equipment of the Company used for furnishing local exchange service and the channels, facilities, or equipment of others may be provided at the Customer's expense.

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**SECTION 2 – REGULATIONS (continued)****2.4 Customer Equipment and Channels (continued)****2.4.3 Interconnection of Facilities (continued)**

2.4.3.2 Local Service may be connected to the services or facilities of other communications carriers only when authorized by, and in accordance with, the terms and conditions of the tariffs of the other communications carriers, which are applicable to such connections.

2.4.3.3 Facilities furnished under this tariff may be connected to Customer provided terminal equipment in accordance with the provisions of this tariff.

**2.4.4 Inspections**

2.4.4.1 Upon reasonable notification to the Customer, and at a reasonable time, the Company may make such tests and inspections as may be necessary to determine that the Customer is complying with the requirements set forth in Section 2.4.2.2 for the installation, operation, and maintenance of Customer-provided facilities and equipment to Company-provided facilities and equipment. No credit will be allowed for any interruptions occurring during such inspections.

**2.5 Payment Arrangements****2.5.1 Payment for Service**

The Customer is responsible for payment of all charges for service and facilities furnished by the Company to the Customer or its Joint or Authorized Users.

**2.5.2 Billing and Collection of Charges**

Bills will be rendered monthly to Customer. Subscriber bills will contain all of the information required by 4901:1-5-15.

2.5.2.1 All service, installation, monthly Recurring Charges and Nonrecurring Charges shall not be due earlier than fourteen (14) days from the date of the postmark on the bill. If not paid by the due date, it then becomes past due.

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**SECTION 2 – REGULATIONS (continued)****2.5 Payment Arrangements (continued)****2.5.2 Billing and Collection of Charges (continued)**

2.5.2.2 The Company shall present bills for Recurring Charges monthly to the Customer, in advance of the month which service is provided. Usage charges will be billed in arrears.

2.5.2.3 For new Customers or existing Customers whose service is disconnected, the charge for the fraction of the month in which service was furnished will be calculated on a pro rata basis. For this purpose, every month is considered to have 30 days.

2.5.2.4 Amounts not paid within 30 days after the date of invoice, but no sooner than 14 days after the postmark on the bill are considered past due.

2.5.2.5 Checks with insufficient funds or non-existing accounts will be assessed a fee of **\$20.00** up to a maximum rate of **\$30.00** as set forth in Section 7.7, except as may be waived under appropriate circumstances.

**2.5.3 Disputed Bills**

2.5.3.1 The date of the dispute shall be the date the Company receives sufficient documentation to enable it to investigate the dispute. The date of the resolution is the date the Company completes its investigation and notifies the Customer of the disposition of the dispute.

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**SECTION 2 – REGULATIONS (continued)****2.5 Payment Arrangements (continued)****2.5.4 Customer Complaints and/or Billing Disputes**

Customer inquiries or complaints regarding service or accounting may be made in writing or by telephone to the Company at:

STERLING TELECOM, INC.	Telephone: (631) 425-7143
242 Beverly Road	Facsimile: (631) 427-6116
Huntington Station, NY 11746	Toll Free: (866) 425-7143

Any objection to billed charges should be reported promptly to the Company. Customer is responsible for all nondisputed charges. If after investigation and review by the Company, a disagreement remains as to the disputed amount, the Customer may file an appropriate complaint with the PUCO in accordance with the Commission's rules of procedure:

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio	Telephone: (800) 686-7826 (voice)
180 East Broad Street	(800) 686-1570 (TDD)
Columbus, OH 43215-3793	Facsimile: (614) 752-8351

**2.5.5 Deposits**

2.5.5.1 Applicants for service or existing Customer's whose financial condition is not acceptable to the Company, or is not a matter of general knowledge, may be required at any time to provide the Company a security deposit. All deposits will be handled in accordance with the provisions of the Rule 4901:1-17 of the Ohio Administrative Code and Rule 4901:1-5-13 and 14 of the PUCO's Minimum Telephone Service Standards. The deposit requested will be in cash or the equivalent of cash, and will be held as a guarantee for the payment of charges. A deposit does not relieve the Customer of the responsibility for the prompt payment of bills on presentation. The deposit will not exceed an amount equal to:

- (a) two month's average monthly bill for all regulated local exchange services for the ensuing twelve months, plus thirty percent (30%) of estimated monthly recurring charges.

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2.5.5.2 When a service or facility is discontinued, the amount of a deposit, if any, will be applied to the Customer's account and any credit balance remaining will be refunded within 45 days from the date of termination. Before the service or facility is discontinued, the Company may, at its option, return the deposit or credit it to the Customer's account.

2.5.5.3 Deposits held will accrue interest at a rate specified by the PUCO in Rule 4901:1-17-05 of the Ohio Administrative Code and will be refunded to the Customer after twelve consecutive months of payment.

2.5.5.4 Credit may be established by any means found in 4901:1-17 of the Ohio Administrative Code

**2.5.6 Discontinuance of Service**

2.5.6.1 Disconnection of local and toll service will be in accordance with Rule 4901:1-5-17.

2.5.6.2 Disconnection for nonpayment of local service will be in accordance with Rule 4901:1-5-17(A).

2.5.6.3 Disconnection for Nonpayment of Toll Service will be in accordance with Rule 4901:1-5-17(B).

2.5.6.4 Disconnection for Reasons other than Nonpayment with notice will be in accordance with Rules 4901:1-5-17(D) and (E).

2.5.6.5 Disconnection for Reasons other than Nonpayment without notice will be in accordance with Rule 4901:1-5-17(G).

**2.6 Allowances for Interruptions of Service**

2.6.1 Credit for Interruptions: At a minimum, credit allowances will be calculated consistent with MTSS Rule, 4901:1-5-16.

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**SECTION 2 – REGULATIONS (continued)****2.6 Allowances for Interruptions of Service (continued)****2.6.2 Limitations on Allowances**

No credit allowance will be made for:

- (a) service interruption caused as a result of negligent or willful act on the part of the subscriber;
- (b) interruptions due to the failure or malfunction of subscriber owned telephone equipment;
- (c) interruptions of service as a result of acts of God in accordance with MTSS 4901:1-5-16(c), military action, wars, insurrection, riots, or strikes; or
- (d) is extended by the company's inability to gain access to the Customer's premises due to the Customer missing a repair appointment.

**2.6.3 Use of Alternative Service Provided by the Company:** Where the Company bears no liability for the interruption and the Customer elect to use an alternative service provided by the Company during the period that a service is interrupted, the Customer must pay the applicable tariffed rates and charges.

**2.7 Cancellation of Service****2.7.1 Cancellation of Service by the Customer**

If a Customer cancels a Service Order or terminates services before the completion of the term for any reason whatsoever other than a service interruption (as defined in 2.6.1 above), Customer agrees to pay to Company following sums which shall become due and owing as of the effective date of the cancellation or termination and be payable within the period set forth in 2.5.2: all costs, fees and expenses reasonable incurred in connection with

- (1) All Nonrecurring Charges reasonably expended by Company to establish service to Customer, plus
- (2) any disconnection, early cancellation or termination charges reasonably incurred and paid to third parties by Company on behalf of Customer, plus

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**SECTION 2 – REGULATIONS (continued)****2.7 Cancellation of Service (continued)****2.7.1 Cancellation of Service by the Customer (continued)**

- (3) all Recurring Charges specified in the applicable Service Order tariff for the balance of the then current term or as may be pro-rated in the absence of a term contract.

Commission approval of this provision does not constitute a determination of the reasonableness of termination liability.

- 2.7.2 Cancellation of service by the month-to-month Customer will be in accordance with page 2 of the Telephone Service Requirements Form.

**2.8 Transfer and Assignments**

Neither the Company nor the Customer may assign or transfer its rights or duties in connection with the services and facilities provided by the Company without the written consent of the other party, except that the Company may assign its rights and duties (a) pursuant to any sale or transfer of substantially all the assets of the Company; or (b) pursuant to any financing, merger or reorganization of the Company.

**2.9 Notices and Communications**

- 2.9.1 The Customer shall designate on the Service Order an address to which the Company shall mail or deliver all notices and other communications, except that Customer may also designate a separate address to which the Company's bills for service shall be mailed.
- 2.9.2 The Company shall designate on the Service Order an address to which the Customer shall mail or deliver all notices and other communications, except that Company may designate a separate address on each bill for service to which the Customer shall mail payment on that bill.
- 2.9.3 All notices or other communications required to be given pursuant to this tariff will be in writing. Notices and other communications of either party, and all bills mailed by the Company, shall be presumed to have been delivered to the other party on the third business day following deposit of the notice, communication or bill with the U.S. Mail or a private delivery service, prepaid and properly addressed, or when actually received or refused by the addressee, whichever occurs first.

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**SECTION 2 – REGULATIONS (continued)**

2.9 Notices and Communications (continued)

2.9.4 The Company or the Customer shall advise the other party of any changes to the addresses designated for notices, other communications or billing, by following the procedures for giving notice set forth herein.

2.9.5 Subscriber bills will contain all of the information required by 4901:1-5-15.

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**SECTION 3 – SERVICE DESCRIPTIONS****3.1 Local Exchange Service**

The Company's Local Telephone Service provides a Customer with the ability to connect to the Company's switching network which enables the Customer to:

- place or receive calls to any calling Station in the Customer's local calling area, as defined herein;
- access enhanced Universal Emergency Number/911 Service where available;
- access the interexchange carrier selected by the Customer for interLATA, intraLATA, interstate or international calling;
- access Operator Services;
- access Directory Assistance;
- place or receive calls to 800/888 telephone numbers;
- access Telecommunications Relay Service.

The Company's service cannot be used to originate calls to other telephone company's caller-paid information services (e.g., 900, 976). Calls to those numbers and other numbers used for caller-paid information services will be blocked by the Company.

3.1.1 Exchange Areas Served and associated Local Calling Areas: Exchange and local calling areas mirror the entire ILEC serving area.

3.1.2 General: The Company's Local Exchange Service is comprised of a Switched Network Access Channel and Local Usage is mandatory for all Customers subscribing to the Company's local exchange service offerings. The remaining service elements, enhanced features and toll usage, are optional services available to Customers.

3.1.3 Class of Service: The Local Exchange Service Offering is offered to residential and small to medium size business Customers.

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**SECTION 3 – SERVICE DESCRIPTIONS (continued)****3.1 Local Exchange Service (continued)**

3.1.4 Geographic Zones: The Company's Local Exchange Service Offering is segmented into four Zones generally reflecting each exchange area's relative density and the underlying price distinctions of the incumbent local exchange carrier's services, which the Company is reselling. Each of the exchanges listed in 3.1.1 has been assigned a zone designation. At present, the Company's zone rate distinction only applies to the Network Access Channel element of its local exchange service offering. The rates and charges for Network Access Elements listed in Section 3.1.8.2 reflect the zone differential.

3.1.5 Switched Network Access Channels include the following features as standard and are offered in the following configurations:

Touchtone Dialing  
One Directory Listing plus One Directory  
Presubscription (both IntraLATA and InterLATA)  
Calling number delivery blocking/per call  
Toll restriction  
900/976 Blocking

3.1.5.1 Basic - Switched Network Access Channels provides the Customer with a single, voice- grade analog communications channel with a single telephone number.

3.1.6 Local Usage Services – The Company's local exchange service subscribers may choose between two different calling packages: Per Message Calling and Unlimited Local Calling. Local Usage Service pertains to Customer-dialed calls to stations within the Customer's local exchange or local calling areas as defined in Section 3.1.1

3.1.6.1 Per Message Rate – This option applies a single, per unit charge for each completed local message originated by the Customer and terminating within the Customer's local calling area.

3.1.6.2 Unlimited Local Calling – This option applies a single monthly charge for unlimited local calls.

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**SECTION 3 – SERVICE DESCRIPTIONS (continued)****3.1 Local Exchange Service (continued)**

3.1.7 Enhanced Calling Features – are a set of optional features available to the Company's local exchange service Customers that provide additional calling functionality. The Company offers the following optional features:

**Feature**

- Call Forward Busy - allows incoming calls to a busy line to be routed to a preselected line.
- Call Forward No Answer - allows incoming calls to automatically route to a preselected line when the called station is not answered after a preset number of rings.
- Call Forward Variable - allows a Customer to activate routing of incoming calls to another line in their key system or to an external number.
- Call Hold - permits Customer to place a call on hold by depressing the switch hook, dialing an access code and going on hook.
- Call Park - attendant places a call on hold, a code is then dialed to retrieve the call from the parked position.
- Call Pickup Group - all the phones in an area can be answered by dialing a code.
- Call Waiting - provides a tone to alert a Customer that a second party is calling, and allows the Customer to answer the incoming call while holding the original connection.
- Conference Three-Way - allows the Customer to add a third party to an established call without operator assistance.
- Message Waiting - allows a visual, and/or an audible tone signal when there is a message waiting.
- Automatic Callback - by dialing a code this feature automatically returns the last incoming call whether or not it was answered.
- Calling Number Delivery (Caller ID) - allows a Customer to identify the telephone number from which the call is being made. The telephone number is displayed on a Customer provided display device.
- Calling Number Delivery w/ Name (Caller ID w/ Name) - works along with Caller ID, displays telephone number and listed name associated with the telephone number.

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**SECTION 3 – SERVICE DESCRIPTIONS (continued)****3.1 Local Exchange Service (continued)****3.1.7 Enhanced Calling Features (continued)**

- Calling Number Delivery Blocking (Per Line)\* - prevents the display of the calling telephone number on all calls dialed.
- Direct Inward Dialed (DID) Numbers - permits incoming calls to reach Customer-provided equipment without the assistance of an attendant, and allows transfer to another line through the use of an incoming/outgoing trunk facility.
- Serial Hunting - a series of telephone lines are organized so that if the first line is busy the next line is hunted and so on until a free line is found.

\*NOTE: Calling Name/Calling Number Delivery Blocking (Per Line) charge is waived if the Customer has a Non-listed or a Nonpublished number.

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**SECTION 3 – SERVICE DESCRIPTIONS (continued)****3.1 Local Exchange Service (continued)****3.1.8 Local Exchange Service - Rates and Charges**

A Local Exchange Service Customer will be charged applicable Nonrecurring Charges, monthly Recurring Charges and Message charges as specified in Sections 3.1.2.3.1, 3.1.2.3.2, and 3.1.2.3.4 respectively.

**3.1.8.1 Nonrecurring Charges**Service

<u>Tier 1 Service</u>	<u>Maximum</u>
Service Connection Charge per line	\$75.00
Per Trunk Group Configured for DID Service	\$500.00
Subsequent Account Changes (Changes, Additions per order)	\$75.00
Presubscription Change (all switched network access)	
1st line	\$10.00
Additional lines per order	\$10.00
<u>Tier 2 Service</u>	
Optional Feature Activation (per order)	\$10.00

**NOTE:**

Nonrecurring account change charges will not apply during the initial 30-day period following completion of a service order.

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3.1 Local Exchange Service (continued)3.1.8 Local Exchange Service (continued)3.1.8.2 Monthly Recurring ChargesServiceTier 1 ServiceMaximumSwitched Network Access Channels

Basic Line, Per Line

\$45.00

Tier 1 Service

Calling Number Delivery Blocking – Per Line\*

\$20.00

Call Waiting

\$20.00

\* Calling Number Delivery Blocking – Per Line charge is waived if the Customer has an nonlisted or a nonpublished number.

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**SECTION 3 – SERVICE DESCRIPTIONS (continued)****3.1 Local Exchange Service (continued)****3.1.8 Local Exchange Service (continued)****3.1.8.2 Monthly Recurring Charges (continued)****Tier 2 Service*****Optional Features:***

Automatic Call Back	Conference Three Way
Call Forward Busy	Message Waiting
Remote Call Forwarding	Speed Call (up to 30 numbers)
Caller ID- Numeric Listing	
(Calling Number Delivery)	
Caller ID- Number and Name	
(Calling Number Delivery w/ Name)	

**3.1.8.3 Usage Options:** All Local Exchange Service Customers must order one of the following usage options. These rates will apply to all outgoing direct-dialed calls placed to Stations within the caller's local exchange area, as defined herein.

**3.1.8.3.1 Per Message Rate:** The following rates will be applied on a per call basis, regardless of the duration of the call.

<u>Tier 1 service</u>	<u>Max.</u>
Per Call	\$0.12

**3.1.8.3.2 Unlimited Local Calling:**

	<u>Max.</u>
Per Month	\$30.00

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**SECTION 3 – SERVICE DESCRIPTIONS (continued)****3.2 Directory Assistance**

A Customer may obtain Local Directory Assistance ("DA") in determining telephone numbers within its local calling area by calling the Directory Assistance operator. The Customer may request a maximum of two telephone numbers per call to Directory Assistance service without additional charges. Directory Assistance includes the option for call completion to the requested number at an additional charge as specified below. The Call Completion option provides, when selected by the Customer, for the automatic dialing of the requested number.

3.2.1 Each call to Directory Assistance will be charged as indicated in Section 7.

Tier 2 Service

DA, Per call

DA, with Call Completion

3.2.2 A credit will be given for calls to Directory Assistance as follows:

-The Customer experiences poor transmission or is cut-off during the call; or

-The Customer is given an incorrect telephone number.

To obtain such a credit, the Customer must notify Company's Customer Service representative.

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**SECTION 3 – SERVICE DESCRIPTIONS (continued)****3.3 Operator Assistance (Traditional)**

A Customer may obtain the assistance of a local operator to complete local exchange telephone calls in the following manner. Surcharges as specified in Section 7 will apply:

Third Number Billing: Provides the Customer with the capability to charge a local call to a third number, which is different from the called or calling party. The party answering at the third number has the option to refuse acceptance of the charges in advance or when queried by the operator.

Collect Calls: Provides the Customer with the capability to charge a call to the called party. On the operator announcement of a collect call, the called party has the option to refuse acceptance of charges in advance or when queried by the operator.

Person to Person: Calls completed with the assistance of an operator to a particular Station and person specified by the caller. The call may be billed to the called party.

Station to Station: Calls completed with the assistance of an operator to a particular Station. The call may be billed to the called party.

**3.3.1 Operator Assisted (Traditional) Surcharges**Tier 2 Service

Third Number Billing

Collect Calling

Person to Person

Station to Station

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**SECTION 3 – SERVICE DESCRIPTIONS (continued)****3.3 Operator Assistance (Traditional) (continued)**

3.3.2 Busy Line Verification and Interrupt Service: Busy Line Verification and Interrupt Service, which is furnished where and to the extent that facilities permit, provides the Customer with the following options:

3.3.2.1 Busy Line Verification: Upon request of the calling party, the Company will determine if the line is clear or in use and report to the calling party.

3.3.2.2 Busy line Verification with Interrupt: The operator will interrupt the call on the called line only if the calling party indicates an emergency and requests interruption. The operator will then interrupt the call, advising the called party the name of the calling party.

3.3.2.3 Rates: Rates for Busy Line Verification and Interrupt Service, as specified below, will apply under the following circumstances:

Per Request

Tier 2 Service

Busy Line Verification  
Busy Line Interrupt

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**SECTION 3 – SERVICE DESCRIPTIONS (continued)****3.4 Directory Listings**

The Company shall provide a single directory listing, termed the primary listing, in the telephone directory published by the local exchange provider in the Customer's exchange area of the Station number which is designated as the Customer's main billing number. Directory listing of additional Company Station numbers, other than the Customer's main billing number, associated with a Customer's service will be provided for an additional monthly recurring charge per listing.

3.4.1 The Company reserves the right to limit the length of any listing in the directory by the use of abbreviations when, in its judgment, the clearness of the listing or the identification of the Customer is not impaired thereby. When more than one line is required to properly list the Customer, no additional charge is made.

3.4.2 The Company may refuse a listing which is known not to constitute a legally authorized or adopted name, contains obscenities in the name, or any listing which, in the opinion of the Company, is likely to mislead or deceive calling persons as to the identity of the listed party, or is a contrived name used for advertising purposes or to secure a preferential position in the directory or is more elaborate than is reasonably necessary to identify the listed party. The Company, upon notification to the Customer, will withdraw any listing, which is found to be in violation of its rules with respect thereto.

3.4.3 Each listing must be designated Government, Business, or Residence to be placed in the appropriate section of the directory. In order to aid the user of the directory, and to avoid misleading or deceiving the calling party as to the identity of the listed party, only business listings may be placed in the Business Section and only residential listings in the Residential Section. The Company, upon notification to the Customer, will withdraw any listing that is found to be in violation of its rules with respect thereto.

3.4.4 In order for listing to appear in an upcoming directory, the Customer must furnish the listing to the Company in time to meet the directory publishing schedule.

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**SECTION 3 – SERVICE DESCRIPTIONS (continued)****3.4 Directory Listings (continued)**

3.4.5 Directory listings are provided in connection with each Customer service as specified herein.

3.4.5.1 Primary Listing: A primary listing contains the name of the Customer, or the name under which a business is regularly conducted, as well as the address and telephone number of the Customer. This listing is provided at no additional charge.

3.4.5.2 Additional Listings: In connection with local exchange service, additional listings are available only in the name of Authorized Users of the Customer's service, as defined herein.

3.4.5.3 Nonpublished Listings: Listings which are not printed in directories or available from Directory Assistance. A Nonpublished Telephone Service will be furnished, at the Customer's request providing the omission or deletion of the Customer's telephone listing from the telephone directory and, in addition, the Customer's telephone listing will be omitted or deleted from the directory assistance records, subject to the provisions set forth in Section 2.1.4.

3.4.5.4 Nonlisted Numbers: A Nonlisted number will be furnished at the Customer's request, providing for the omission or deletion of the Customer's listing from the telephone directory. Such listings will be carried in the Company's directory assistance and other records will be given to any calling party.

3.4.5.5 Foreign Listings: Where available, a listing in a phone directory which is not in the Customer's immediate calling area. The Customer will be charged the rates specified in the tariff published by the specific exchange carrier providing the Foreign Listings.

3.4.5.6 Alternate Call Listings: Where available, a listing that references a telephone number that is not the primary listing for the Customer. The Customer must provide written verification that the alternate telephone number is authorized to accept calls.

3.4.5.7 Reference Listing: A listing including additional telephone numbers of the same or another Customer to be called in the event there is not an answer from the Customer's telephone.

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## SECTION 3 – SERVICE DESCRIPTIONS (continued)

3.4 Directory Listings (continued)

## 3.4.5 (continued)

3.4.5.8 Recurring Charges: Monthly Recurring Charges associated with Directory Listings are as follows:

Per Listing or Per Number Charge

<u>Tier 1 Services</u>	<u>Maximum</u>
Primary Listing	N/C
Nonpublished Number	\$4.00
Additional Listing on 2 <sup>nd</sup> or 3 <sup>rd</sup> Lines	\$10.00

Tier 2 Services

Additional Listing on 1<sup>st</sup> line  
Non-Listed Number  
Alternate Call Listing  
Reference Listing  
Foreign Listing

3.4.5.9 Nonrecurring Charges: Nonrecurring charges associated with Directory Listings are as follows:

Per Listing or Per Number Charge

<u>Tier 1 Services</u>	<u>Maximum</u>
Primary Listing	N/C
Nonpublished Number	\$15.00
Additional Listing on 2 <sup>nd</sup> or 3 <sup>rd</sup> Lines	\$10.00

Tier 2 Service

Additional Listing on 1<sup>st</sup> line  
Nonlisted Number  
Alternate Call Listing  
Reference Listing  
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**SECTION 3 – SERVICE DESCRIPTIONS (continued)****3.5 Emergency Services (Enhanced 911)**

Allows Customers to reach appropriate emergency services including police, fire and medical services. Enhanced 911 has the ability to selectively route an emergency call to the primary E911 provider so that it reaches the correct emergency service located closest to the caller. In addition, the Customer's address and telephone information will be displayed to the primary E911 provider for display at the Public Service Answering Point (PSAP). Charges for Enhanced 9-1-1 will be a pass through of the charge imposed by the ILEC.

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**SECTION 4 – PROMOTIONAL OFFERINGS**

The Company may from time to time engage in special promotions of limited duration of its service offerings designed to attract new Customers or to increase existing Customer awareness of a particular tariff offering. Waiver of any charges other than a nonrecurring charge shall be limited to ninety (90) calendar days on a per Customer basis during a 12-month period. Requests for promotional offerings will be presented to the Commission for its review in accordance with Case No. 95-845-TP-COI.

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**SECTION 5 – INDIVIDUAL CASE BASIS (ICB) ARRANGEMENTS**

Arrangements will be developed on a case-by-case basis in response to a bona fide request from a Customer or prospective Customer to develop a competitive bid for a service offered under this tariff. Rates quoted in response to such competitive requests may be different than those specified for such service in this tariff. ICB rates will be offered to the Customer in writing and on a non-discriminatory basis and may be filed with the PUCO.

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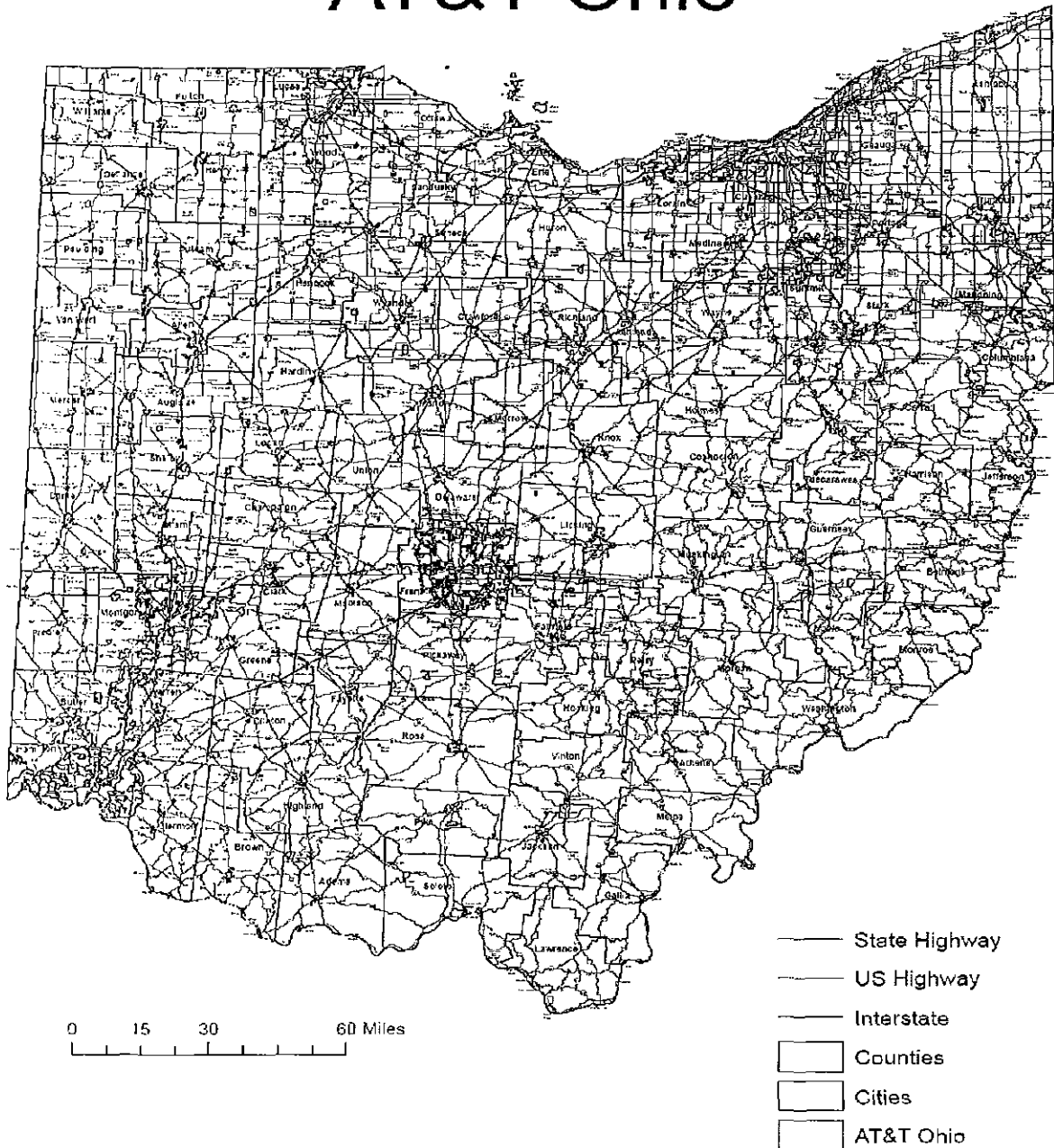
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## LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICES

## SECTION 6 – SERVICE AREA MAP

## AT&amp;T Ohio

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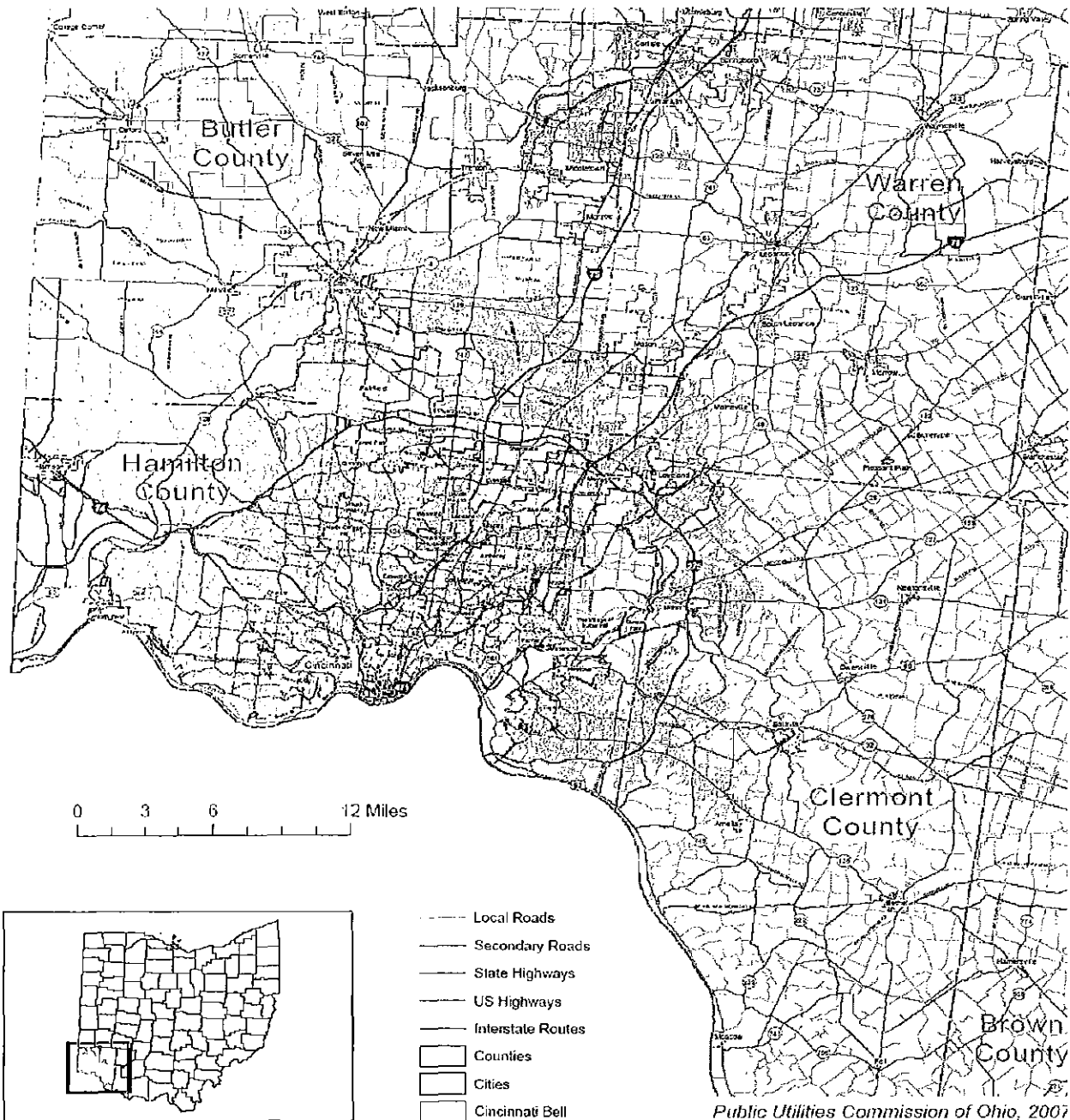
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## LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICES

## SECTION 6 – SERVICE AREA MAP

## Cincinnati Bell Telephone Company



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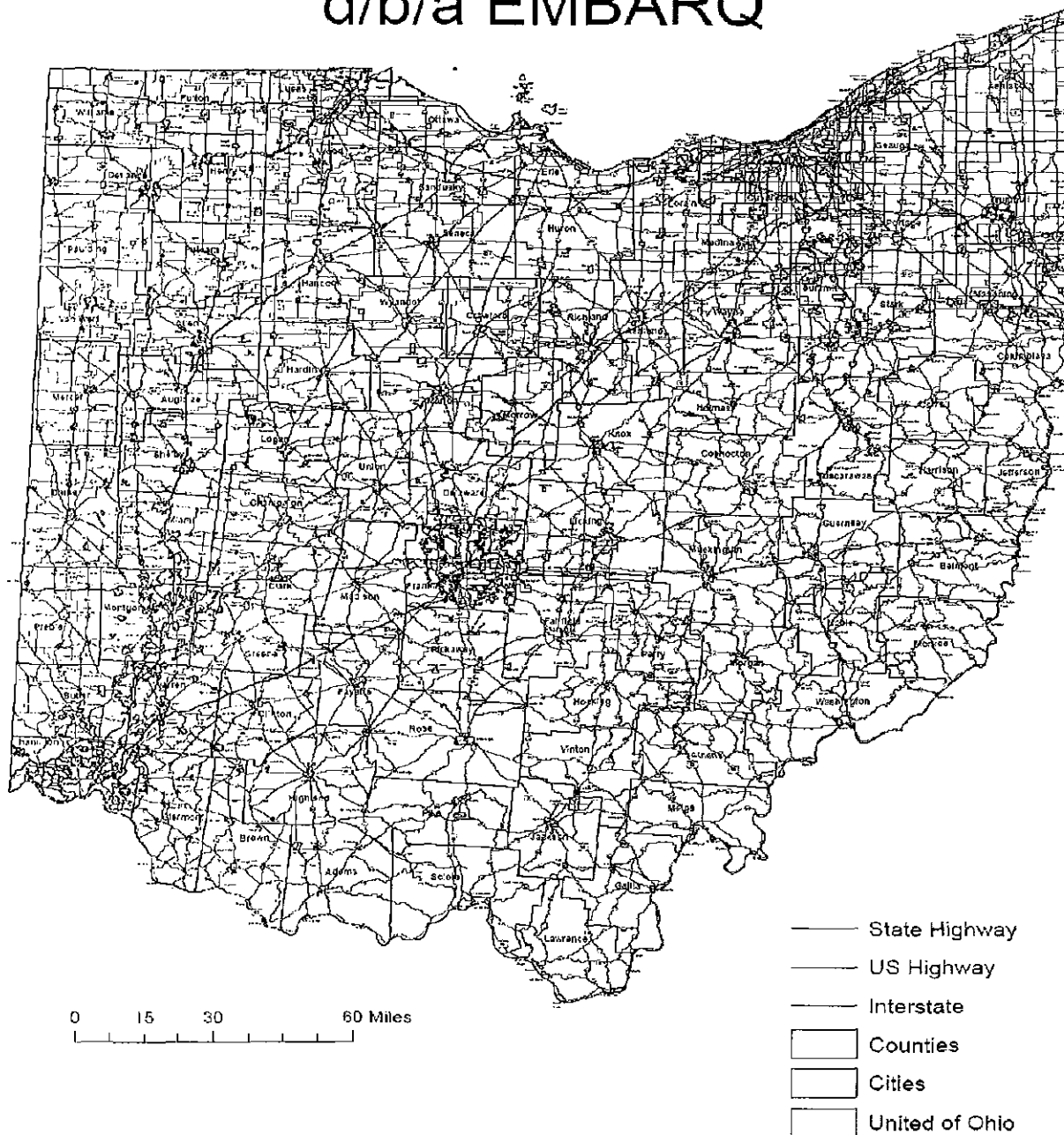
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## SECTION 6 – SERVICE AREA MAP

# United Telephone Company of Ohio d/b/a EMBARQ



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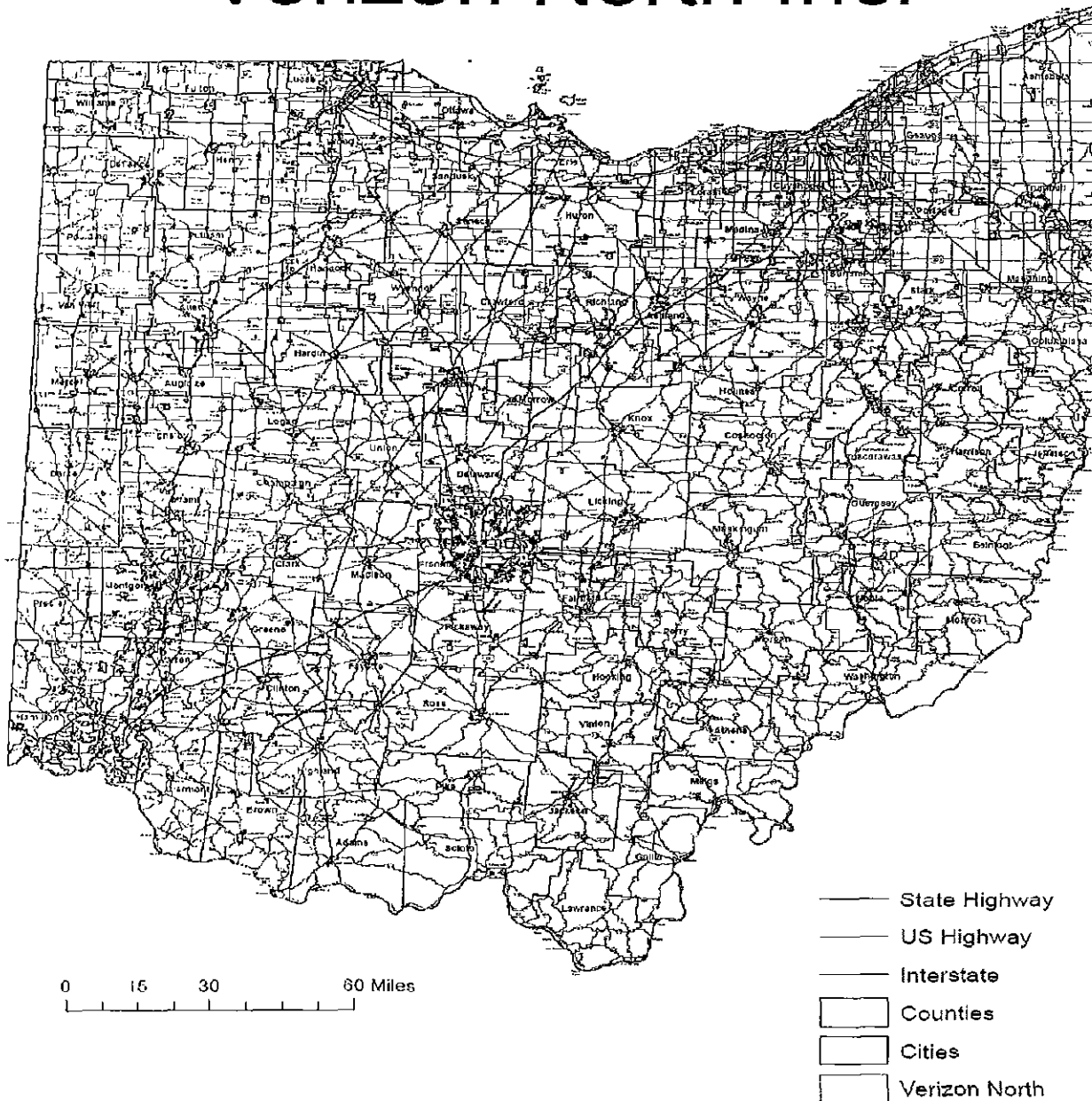
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## SECTION 6 – SERVICE AREA MAP

## Verizon North Inc.

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## SECTION 7 – PRICE LIST

7.1 Local Exchange Service – Rates and Charges7.1.1 Nonrecurring chargesACTUAL RATESServiceTier 1 Service

Service Connection Charge (per line)	\$30.00
Per Trunk Group Configured for DID Service	\$25.00
Subsequent Account Changes (Changes, Additions per order)	\$9.00
Presubscription Change (all switched network access)	
1st line	\$2.00
Additional lines per order	\$2.00

Tier 2 Service

Optional Feature Activation (per Order)	\$9.00
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**SECTION 7 – PRICE LIST (continued)**7.1 Local Exchange Service – Rates and Charges (continued)7.1.2 Monthly Recurring Charges**ACTUAL RATES**Switched Network Access ChannelsTier 1 Service

Basic Line, Per Line	\$19.00
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Tier 1 Service

Calling ID Blocking (Number Delivery Blocking) -- Per Line*	\$2.00
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Call Waiting	\$2.00
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\* Calling Number Delivery Blocking – Per Line charge is waived if the Customer has a Nonlisted or a Nonpublished number.

Tier 2 Service Optional Features:

Automatic Call Back	\$2.00
Conference Three Way	\$2.00
Call Forward Busy	\$2.00
Message Waiting	\$2.00
Remote Call Forwarding	\$2.00

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**SECTION 7 – PRICE LIST (continued)****7.1 Local Exchange Service – Rates and Charges (continued)****7.1.2 Monthly Recurring Charges (continued)****ACTUAL RATES**

Speed Call 30 (up to 30 numbers)	\$2.00
Call Pickup	\$2.00
Caller ID- Numeric Listing (Calling Number Delivery)	\$2.00
Caller ID- Number and Name (Calling Number Delivery w/ Name)	\$2.00

**7.1.3 Usage Charges**

All Local Exchange Service Customers must order one of the following usage options. These rates will apply to all outgoing direct-dialed calls placed to Stations within the caller's local exchange area, as defined herein.

Per Message Rate: The following rates will be applied on a per call basis, regardless of the duration of the call.

**Tier 1 service**

Per Call	\$0.03
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Unlimited Local Calling:

Unlimited Calling	\$10.00
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**7.2 Directory Assistance**

Each Call to Directory Assistance will be charged as follows:

**Tier 2 Service**

Directory Assistance, Per call	\$0.50
Directory Assistance, with Call Completion	\$0.75

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**SECTION 7 – PRICE LIST (continued)**

- 7.3 Operator Assisted (Traditional) Surcharges: The following surcharges will be applied on a per call basis.

**ACTUAL RATES****A. Tier 2 Service**

Third Number Billing	N/A
Collect Calling	\$5.00
Person-to-Person	\$5.00
Station-to-Station	\$5.00

**B. Tier 2 Services****Per Request**

Busy Line Verification	\$1.75
Busy Line Interrupt	\$1.75

- 7.4 Directory Listings

**A. Monthly Recurring Charges****Per Listing or  
Per Number Charge****Tier 1 Services**

Primary Listing	\$0.00
Non-published Number (Private)	\$2.50

**Tier 2 Services**

Additional Listings	
Business	\$4.00
Residential	\$2.50
Non-listed Number (Semiprivate)	\$2.50

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**SECTION 7 – PRICE LIST (continued)****7.5    Emergency 9-1-1 Charges**

These charges pass through the charge approved by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, for Ameritech, whose services the Company is reselling.

**7.6    Telephone Service Assistance**

The Company will provide Telephone Service Assistance on a pass through basis charging the Customer the same amount it is charged by the underlying ILEC who provides the service.

**7.7    Bad Check Charge**

The Company charges Customers \$30.00, or the maximum allowable under law, for checks that are returned.

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## **EXHIBIT B**

### **Description of Services**

**See Exhibit B-1 through B-6**

## **EXHIBIT B-1**

### **Service will be provisioned via resale**

Sterling Telecom, Inc.'s services will be provided by reselling services utilizing the facilities and equipment of incumbent local exchange carriers ("ILECs").



## **EXHIBIT B-2**

### **Description of Proposed Services**

Sterling Telecom, Inc. intends to provide all forms of intrastate local exchange telecommunications services including:

- A. Local Exchange Services will enable customers to originate and terminate local calls in the local calling areas services by other LECs.
- B. Switched local exchange services such as flat-rated and measured-rated local services; vertical services, Direct Inward and Outward Dialed trunks, carrier access, public and semi-public coin telephone services, and any other switched local services that currently or will exist in the future.
- C. Non-switched local services (*e.g.*, private line) that currently exist or will exist in the future.
- D. Centrex and/or Centrex-like services that currently exist or will exist in the future.
- E. Digital subscriber line, ISDN, frame-relay, and other high capacity line services.

## **EXHIBIT B-3**

### **Statement about the provision of CTS services**

Applicant does not seek authority for the provision of CTS service by means of this application.

## **EXHIBIT B-4**

### **Description of the proposed market area**

The applicant proposed to provide service in all areas in the State of Ohio serviced by AT&T Ohio, Cincinnati Bell, Embarq, and Verizon.

## **EXHIBIT B-5**

### **Explanation of how the proposed services in the proposed market area are in the public interest**

Granting this application will promote the public interest by increasing competition in the provision of telecommunications services in Ohio. Sterling Telecom, Inc. will provide residential and business customer high quality, cost effective local exchange telecommunications service, with an emphasis on customer service. In addition to driving prices closer to costs, thereby ensuring just and reasonable rates, competition also promotes efficiency in the delivery of services and in the development of new services. These very real benefits work to maximize the public interest by providing continuing incentive for carriers to reduce costs, while simultaneously promoting the availability of potentially desirable services.

## **EXHIBIT B-6**

**Description of the class of customers (e.g., residential, business) that the applicant intends to serve**

The Applicant intends to service residential and small to mid-sized business customers.

## **EXHIBIT C**

### **Business Requirements**

**See Exhibits C-1 and C-2**

## **EXHIBIT C-1**

### **Evidence of Registration with Ohio Department of Taxation**

Applicant is filing such notification concurrently with this filing. A copy of the notice is attached hereto.

**EARLY, LENNON, CROCKER & BARTOSIEWICZ, P.L.C.**

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December 6, 2007

William Peters, Assistant Administrator  
Ohio Department of Taxation  
Personal Property Tax Division  
Public Utilities Tax Section  
PO Box 530  
Columbus, OH 43216-0530

Dear Mr. Peters:

Please accept this letter as notice that Sterling Telecom, Inc. has applied for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity from the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio ("PUCO") to operate as a provider of telecommunications services within Ohio. The Company expects to begin providing services at or near the time its application is approved by the PUCO.

Information concerning the Company may be obtained by writing or calling the Company at the address and phone number below:

Sterling Telecom, Inc.  
242 Beverly Road  
Huntington Station, NY 11746  
(631) 425-7143

Should you have any questions relating to this correspondence, please direct them to the undersigned.

Very truly yours,

EARLY, LENNON, CROCKER & BARTOSIEWICZ, P.L.C.



Patrick D. Crocker

PDC/pas



**EXHIBIT C-2**

**Evidence of Registration with Ohio Secretary of State**

**and**

**Good Standing Certificate**



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**Receipt**

This is not a bill. Please do not remit payment.

STERLING TELECOM  
242 BEVERLY RD  
HUNTINGTON STATION, NY 11746

# STATE OF OHIO CERTIFICATE

Ohio Secretary of State, Jennifer Brunner

1724737

It is hereby certified that the Secretary of State of Ohio has custody of the business records for

**STERLING TELECOM INC**

and, that said business records show the filing and recording of:

Document(s)

**FOREIGN LICENSE/FOR-PROFIT**

Authorization to transact business in Ohio is hereby given, until surrender, expiration or cancellation of this license.

Document No(s):

**200724801136**



United States of America  
State of Ohio  
Office of the Secretary of State

Witness my hand and the seal of  
the Secretary of State at Columbus,  
Ohio this 4th day of September,  
A.D. 2007.

Ohio Secretary of State



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**FOREIGN CORPORATION APPLICATION FOR LICENSE  
OR REGISTRATION OF CORPORATION NAME**  
(For Foreign Profit or Nonprofit)

THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY STATES THE FOLLOWING:

**(CHECK ONLY ONE (1) BOX)**

<b>(1) Foreign Corporation</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> For-Profit (151-FLF) <input type="checkbox"/> Nonprofit (152-FLN)	<b>(2) Registration of Corporate Name by Unlicensed Foreign Corporation</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Original (158-RCO) <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal (172-RNR (RCR))
ORC 1703	ORC 1703
Filing Fee \$125.00	Filing Fee \$50.00
(Registration No.)	

**Complete the general information in this section for the box checked above.**

Corporate Name STERLING TELECOM INC

Under the Laws of the State of NEW YORK  
(Home State)

Date of Incorporation in Home State 8/9/07  
(Date)

The corporation's principal office is located at  
242 BEVERLY RD, HUNT  
 (Street) NOTE: P.O. Box Addresses are NOT acceptable.

HUNTINGTON STATION NY 11746  
 (City) (State) (Zip Code)

The corporate purpose it proposes to exercise in the state of Ohio are as follows: (Please provide a brief but specific description; a general purpose clause is not sufficient)

THE CORPORATION WILL ACT AS A COMPETITIVE  
LOCAL EXCHANGE CARRIER FOR THE RESALE  
OF LOCAL TELEPHONE SERVICE

The corporation is carrying on or doing business.

☐ Check here if additional provisions are attached

**Complete the information in this section if box (1) is checked.**

The corporation hereby appoints the following as its statutory agent upon whom process against the corporation may be served in Ohio

NATIONAL REGISTERED AGENTS, INC.  
 (Name)  
145 BAKER STREET  
 (Street) NOTE: P.O. Box Addresses are NOT acceptable.  
MARION Ohio 43302  
 (City) (State) (Zip Code)

The entity above irrevocably consents to service of process on the agent listed above as long as the authority of the agent continues, and to service of process upon the OHIO SECRETARY OF STATE if:

- A. the agent cannot be found or  
 B. the above listed fails to designate another agent when required to do so, or  
 C. the above stated registration to do business in Ohio expires or is cancelled.

**Complete the information in this section if profit is checked in box (1).**

The application is made to secure a ☒ permanent ☐ temporary license

The corporation's principal office within Ohio is to be located in ☒ Corporation will not have an office in Ohio

(Street) NOTE: P.O. Box Addresses are NOT acceptable.  
 (City) (County) Ohio (Zip Code)  
 (State)

Has the corporation obtained a license to transact business in Ohio at any time in the past? ☐ Yes ☒ No  
 If yes, prior License No. \_\_\_\_\_ issued \_\_\_\_\_ (Date)

The date on which the corporation began transacting business in Ohio

☐ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 OR  
☒ Will begin business upon approval of application

Is this application being made to enable the corporation to prosecute or defend a legal action? ☐ Yes ☒ No

**Complete the information in this section if non-profit is checked in box (1).**

The location of its principal office in the state of Ohio is

(Street) NOTE: P.O. Box Addresses are NOT acceptable.  
 (City) (County) Ohio (Zip Code)  
 (State)

(Pursuant to ORC 1703.27 must have an Ohio address)

SS.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the corporation has caused this application to be executed by an authorized

officer on 8.31.07  
(Date)STATE OF New YorkCOUNTY OF SuffolkVERONICA HONOR, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that he/she is the  
(Name of Officer)PRESIDENT of STERLING TELECOM INC.  
(Title)

the corporation described in the foregoing application, and that the statements contained in said application are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature: Veronica HonorName: VERONICA HONOR

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence,

8/31/07  
(date)Hillary Bogi  
(Notary Public)

NOTARY SEAL

Expiration date of Notary's Commission:


**HILLARY BOGI**  
Notary Public, State of New York  
(d.b. 145434954583)  
Qualified in Suffolk County  
Commission Expires August 14, 2009.

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**State of New York**  
**Department of State** } ss:

I hereby certify, that the Certificate of Incorporation of STERLING TELECOM, INC. was filed on 08/09/2001, with perpetual duration, and that a diligent examination has been made of the Corporate Index for documents filed with this Department for a certificate, order, or record of a dissolution, and upon such examination, no such certificate, order or record has been found, and that so far as indicated by the records of this Department, such corporation is an existing corporation.

\*\*\*  
WITNESS my hand and the official seal  
of the Department of State at the City of  
Albany, this 30th day of August two  
thousand and seven.



Special Deputy Secretary of State

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## **EXHIBIT D**

**Documentation attesting to applicant's financial viability**

**See Exhibits D-1 through D-3**

## **EXHIBIT D-1**

**An executive Summary describing the applicant's current financial condition, liquidity, and capital resources. Describe internally generated sources of cash and external funds available to support the applicant's operations that are the subject of this certification application.**



## **EXHIBIT D-2**

**Copy of financial statements (actual and pro forma income statement and balance sheet). Indicate of financial statements are based on a certain geographical area(s) or information in other jurisdictions**

Please see attached, Applicant's Statement of Income and Expenses along with the Company's Balance Sheet.

# Balance Sheet

## Sterling Telecom Inc.

As of August 31, 2007

### ASSETS

#### Current Assets

Cash	\$20,762
Accounts receivable (less doubtful accounts)	
Inventory	
Other Assets	4,599
Prepaid expenses	
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>\$25,361</b>

#### Fixed Assets

Long-term investments	
Intangible	1,989
Buildings (less accumulated depreciation)	
Plant and equipment (less accumulated depreciation)	
Furniture and fixtures (less accumulated depreciation)	2,243
<b>Total Net Fixed Assets</b>	<b>\$4,232</b>

<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$29,593</b>
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### LIABILITIES

#### Current Liabilities

Accounts payable	\$2,103
Short-term notes	
Current portion of long-term notes	
Interest payable	
Taxes payable	
Accrued payroll	
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>\$2,103</b>

#### Long-term Liabilities

Mortgage	
Other long-term liabilities	
<b>Total Long-Term Liabilities</b>	

#### Shareholders' Equity

Capital stock	\$1,000
Retained earnings	26,490
<b>Total Shareholders' Equity</b>	<b>\$27,490</b>

<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b>\$29,593</b>
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# Income Statement

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## Sterling Telecom Inc For the Period Ending August 31, 2007

### Revenue

Gross Sales	860433	
Less: Sales Returns and Allowances		
Net Sales		860433

### Cost of Goods Sold

Purchases	578600	
Cost of Goods Sold		578600
Gross Profit (Loss)		281833

### Expenses

Advertising	3772	
Auto Expense	34684	
Bank Charges	10	
Commissions	13857	
Dues and Subscriptions	1039	
Insurance	23408	
Miscellaneous	486	
Office Expense	1109	
Payroll	22099	
Postage	36	
Printing	731	
Professional Fees	10926	
Taxes	63878	
Total Expenses		176035
Net Operating Income		105798

# Balance Sheet

## Sterling Telecom Inc.

As of December 31, 2006

### ASSETS

#### Current Assets

Cash	\$22,838
Accounts receivable (less doubtful accounts)	
Inventory	
Other Assets	4,599
Prepaid expenses	
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>\$27,437</b>

#### Fixed Assets

Long-term investments	
Intangible	2,173
Buildings (less accumulated depreciation)	
Plant and equipment (less accumulated depreciation)	
Furniture and fixtures (less accumulated depreciation)	2,512
<b>Total Net Fixed Assets</b>	<b>\$4,685</b>

<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$32,122</b>
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### LIABILITIES

#### Current Liabilities

Accounts payable	\$1,475
Short-term notes	
Current portion of long-term notes	
Interest payable	
Taxes payable	
Accrued payroll	
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>\$1,475</b>

#### Long-term Liabilities

Mortgage	
Other long-term liabilities	
<b>Total Long-Term Liabilities</b>	

#### Shareholders' Equity

Capital stock	\$1,000
Retained earnings	29,647
<b>Total Shareholders' Equity</b>	<b>\$30,647</b>

<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b>\$32,122</b>
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# Income Statement

Sterling Telecom Inc

For the Period Ending December 31, 2006

## Revenue

Gross Sales	1395732	
Less: Sales Returns and Allowances		
Net Sales		1395732

## Cost of Goods Sold

Purchases	1188790	
Cost of Goods Sold		1188790
Gross Profit (Loss)		206942

## Expenses

Advertising	1083	
Consultants	6263	
Management Fees	25000	
Commissions	24099	
Dues and Subscriptions	4568	
Insurance	5765	
Miscellaneous	942	
Office Expense	3227	
Payroll	36400	
Professional Fees	15499	
Taxes	45715	
Total Expenses		168541
Net Operating Income		38401

## **EXHIBIT E**

**Documentation attesting to the applicant's managerial ability and corporate structure**

**See Exhibit E-1 through E-6**

## **EXHIBIT E-1**

**Documentation attesting to the applicant's technical and managerial expertise relative to the proposed service offering(s) and proposed service area**

See attached biographical information. As a reseller, Applicant will rely also upon the technical expertise of its underlying facilities-based carriers.

**Veronica Honor**

8 Highview Road  
Stony Brook, NY 11790

(631) 751-1922  
vhonor@yahoo.com

**Objective**

Continue to grow existing Competitive Local Exchange Carrier by expanding into other states

**Employment History****Owner/Operator**

Summer 2001-present Sterling Telecom, Inc. Huntington Station, NY 11746

- Established and maintain telecommunications business offering business, residential and payphone low cost dial tone in NY area.
- Involved in day to day operations: customer service, order writing, repair, billing, accounts payable, accounts receivable

**Business Administrator**

Winter 2001-Summer 2001 American Network Services Bronx, NY 10550

- Formed Competitive Local Exchange Carrier (CLEC) for existing payphone business
- Acted as liaison with Verizon in establishing and maintaining wholesale account
- Handled payroll, accounts payable, accounts receivable

**Staff Accountant**

Spring 1999-Winter 2001 Cirrus Healthcare Products Locust Valley, NY

- Manager of accounts payable and accounts receivable
- Customer Service
- Monthly reconciliations and year end

**Office Manager**

Spring 1994-Spring 1999 Coin Power Inc. Huntington Station, NY

- Responsible for running and maintaining all aspects of pay telephone

**Education**

1993-1994 Long Island University - C.W. Post Campus, Brookville, NY

- B.A. Political Science
- Minor in Criminal Justice and History

1990-1993 State of New York University at Albany, Albany, NY

**Honors & Activities**

Golden Key National Honor Society

Scholarship recipient 1993

Member of Phi Sigma Sigma

**References**

References are available on request.



**Paul D. Contino  
242 Beverly Rd.  
Huntington Station, NY 11746  
631 425 0790**

**pcontino@yahoo.com**

**Education**

**Hofstra University; Uniondale, New York 1982 – 1986  
Finance degree**

**Experience**

**1987 – 1994                      Crescent Communications; New Hyde Park, New York  
Payphone service technician and installer**

**1994 – Present                Labra Telecom, Inc.; Huntington Station, New York  
Owner/Manager: Public Payphone Company**

**Aug. 2001 – Present      Sterling Telecom, Inc.; Huntington Station, New York  
Consultant: Competitive Local Exchange Carrier**

**Computer Skills**

**Languages and Software  
Mist, PNM, Payphone software programs**

# James Rapaccioli

## Experience

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1980 -1995                      New York City Department of Finance                      New York, NY

### Unit Supervisor

- Supervise audits of large corporations in the telecommunications industry

1995 – 2000                      NYS Insurance Fund                      New York, NY

### Internal Audit Director

- Supervise the audits and investigations of all internal departments within the agency.
- Co-ordinate all investigations between the outside agencies and internal investigators.

2000-2003                      American Payphone Inc.                      Mt. Vernon, NY

### Controller/Manager

- Maintained the books and records of the corporation.
- Insured compliance with all governmental agencies for taxes as well as telecommunication filings

2003 – 2006                      Sterling Telecom Inc.                      Huntington St., NY

### Treasurer/Controller

- Responsible for all aspects of the business not related to operations.(e.g. Tax filings, health insurance, license filing requirements

## Education

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1976 -1980                      Manhattan College                      Bronx, NY

### B.S. Accounting

## References

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References are available on request.

16 9<sup>th</sup> Street  
Locust Valley, New York 11560  
516-676-6085  
631-425-7143  
631-427-6116

# Thea Esposito

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**Objective** Customer Service Manager

**Experience** 2004–2007 Sterling Telecom Inc. Huntington Station, NY

**Customer Service Manager**

- Handles customer objectives
- Direct contact with Verizon for repair and installation of service
- Account Payables / Receivables

1997-2004 Cirrus Healthcare Prod. Cold Spring Harbor, NY

**Order Entry / Customer Service Manager**

- EDI Order Entry
- EDI Billing
- Customer Service

1989-1997 Coldwell Banker Real Estate Locust Valley, NY

**Licensed Real Estate Agent**

- Worked with buyers and sellers
- Commercial and residential real estate
- Developed sales training courses

**Education**

1972 Locust Valley High School

1985-1988 Empire State credits

**Interests**

American Red Cross Volunteer, CERT Volunteer, Tennis, Gardening

## **EXHIBIT E-2**

### **List of names, addresses, and phone numbers of officer and directors**

#### **OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS**

Veronica Honor	President / Director
Paul D. Contino	Vice President
James Rapaccioli	Secretary / Treasurer
William Honor	General Manager / Director

All individuals named above can be reached at:

Sterling Telecom, Inc.  
242 Beverly Road  
Huntington Station, NY 11746  
Telephone: 631-425-7143  
Facsimile: 631-427-6116

### **EXHIBIT E-3**

#### **Documentation indicating the applicant's corporate structure and ownership**

Sterling Telecom, Inc. is a New York corporation, which is owned by Veronica Honor (100%).

A copy of the Company's Articles of Incorporation is attached hereto.

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(This form must be printed or typed in black ink)  
**CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION**  
**OF**  
**STERLING TELECOM, INC.**

(Enter corporate name)

Under Section 402 of the Business Corporation Law

**FIRST:** The name of the corporation is: STERLING TELECOM, INC.

**SECOND:** This corporation is formed to engage in any lawful act or activity for which a corporation may be organized under the Business Corporation Law, provided that it is not formed to engage in any act or activity requiring the consent or approval of any state official, department, board, agency or other body.

**THIRD:** The county within this state, in which the office of the corporation is to be located is: NEW YORK

**FOURTH:** The total number of shares which the corporation shall have authority to issue and a statement of the par value of each share or a statement that the shares are without par value are: 200 No Par Value

**FIFTH:** The secretary of state is designated as agent of the corporation upon whom process against the corporation may be served. The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process accepted on behalf of the corporation is:

c/o National Registered Agents, Inc.  
440 9th Avenue, 5th Floor  
New York, NY 10001

**SIXTH:** ~~X320000~~ The name and street address in this state of the registered agent upon whom process against the corporation may be served is:

National Registered Agents, Inc.  
440 9th Avenue, 5th Floor  
New York, NY 10001

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SEVENTH: (optional if this provision is used, a specific date must be stated which is not before, nor more than 90 days after the date of filing) The date corporate existence shall begin, if other than the date of filing, is: \_\_\_\_\_

X PILOT  
(Signature)  
MR. PAUL CANTING CANTING  
(Type or print name)  
242 BEVERLY ROAD  
(Address)  
HUNTINGTON STATION, NY 11748  
(City, State, Zip code)

This form may not contain any attachments or riders except an original receipt evidencing reservation of name.

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STATE OF NEW YORK  
DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
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BY: ESM

CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION  
OF

STERLING TELECOM, INC.

Under Section 402 of the Business Corporation Law

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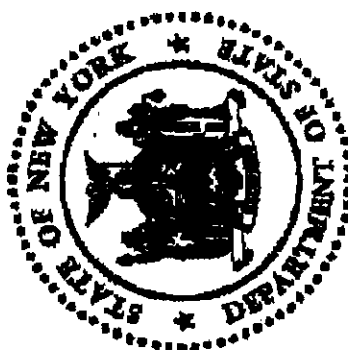
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State of New York )  
Department of State ) ss:

I hereby certify that the annexed copy has been compared with the original document in the custody of the Secretary of State and that the same is a true copy of said original.

Witness my hand and seal of the Department of State on **AUG 13 2001**



Special Deputy Secretary of State



## **EXHIBIT E-4**

**Information regarding any similar operations in other states.**

**If the company has been previously certified in the State of Ohio, include that certification number \_\_\_\_\_**

Sterling Telecom, Inc. began operation in 2001 as a CLEC, with Verizon acting as its ILEC offering local telephone service to small businesses, municipalities and private home in New York, Connecticut, and New Jersey.

The Applicant is currently applying for Local Exchange authority in Florida, Illinois, North Carolina, and South Carolina.

The Company has not previously been certified in Ohio.

## **EXHIBIT E-5**

**Verification that the applicant will maintain local telephony records separate and apart from any other account records in accordance with the GAAP.**

Applicant will maintain its local telephone records separate and apart from any other account records in accordance with GAAP.

## **EXHIBIT E-6**

### **Verification of compliance with any affiliate transaction requirements**

The Company does not currently have any affiliates, but agrees it will comply with all affiliate transaction requirements within the State of Ohio should it have any affiliates in the future.

## **EXHIBIT F**

**Documentation attesting to the applicant's proposed interaction with other Carriers**

**See Exhibits F-1 through F-3**

## **EXHIBIT F-1**

**Explanation as to whether rates are derived through (check all applicable):**

☒ interconnection agreement

☒ retail tariffs

☒ resale tariffs

## **EXHIBIT F-2**

**Explanation as to which service areas company currently has an approved interconnection or resale agreement.**

Applicant does not currently have an approved interconnection or resale agreement.

Applicant is requesting interconnection or resale with AT&T Ohio, Cincinnati Bell, Embark, and Verizon. Applicant has requests pending and expects to have approval and ability to provide service in its target market upon or soon after receipt of authority.

### **EXHIBIT F-3**

**A notarized affidavit accompanied by bona fide letters requesting negotiation pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and a proposed timeline for construction, and offering of services to end users.**

Attached please find a notarized affidavit along with letters requesting negotiation pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

Applicant will initially provide resale services only. Applicant has no current plans to construct facilities in the State of Ohio.

Service will be offered to end users subsequent to Commission approval. Applicant intends to provide local service within the State of Ohio within sixty (60) days of certification by this Commission, and approval of its resale/interconnection agreements.

## **EXHIBIT G**

**Documentation attesting to the applicant's proposed interactions with Customers**

**See Exhibit G-1 through G-6**



## **EXHIBIT G-1**

**Explanation of whether applicant intends to provide Local Services which require payment in advance of customer receiving dial tone.**

Applicant does not intend to provide local services which require payment in advance of customer receiving dial tone.

## **EXHIBITG-2**

**Tariff sheet(s) listing the services and associated charges that must be paid prior to customer receiving dial tone (if applicable)**

Not applicable.

### **EXHIBIT G-3**

**A sample of the customer bill and disconnection notice the applicant plans to utilize.**

## Sample Bill

**Customer:** [Insert Customer's  
Name] **Address:** [Insert Address]

**Account No.:** [Insert account number or phone number]

Billing Date	Billing Period	Date Due

### STERLING TELECOM, INC.

242 Beverly Road  
Huntington Station, NY 11746  
FOR BILLING INQUIRIES: 1-866-425-7143  
FOR SERVICE INQUIRIES: 1-866-425-7143  
[www.sterlingtelecominc.com](http://www.sterlingtelecominc.com)

Description	Rate	Quantity	Amount
Current Month's Charges			
Credits applied to account:			
Unpaid charges from previous bill:			
Late payments:			
Charges for regulated competitive service:			
Charges for local extended area service calls, including any usage-sensitive charges:			
Non-recurring, fractional or nonbasic service			
Charges for nonregulated services or products:			
Taxes and surcharges: [include summary]			
9-1-1 charges:			
An itemization of local charges is attached.			
Total Due	\$		

Please remit this bill via U.S. Mail to the address listed on this invoice.

If your complaint is not resolved after you have called Sterling Telecom, Inc. or for general utility information, residential and business customers may call the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO), toll free at 1-800-686-7826 or for TDD/TYY toll free at 1-800-686-1570 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. weekdays, or visit [www.puco.ohio.gov](http://www.puco.ohio.gov).

The Ohio Consumers' Counsel (OCC) represents residential utility customers in matters before the PUCO. The OCC can be contacted toll free at 1-877-742-5622 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. weekdays, or visit [www.pickocc.org](http://www.pickocc.org).

## **ITEMIZATION OF CHARGES**

Itemization of local service charges:

Monthly rate for local flat-rate service (or usage rate or base rate) -

## RESIDENTIAL DISCONNECTION NOTICE

Sterling Telecom, Inc.

[Date]

Customer Name  
Address 1  
Address 2  
City, State, Zip

Account Number: xxxxxxxx  
Amount Past Due: \$xxxx.xx

This will serve as notice that Sterling Telecom, Inc. intends to disconnect [insert either local or long distance or local and long distance] telephone service. Sterling Telecom, Inc. has decided to take this action, because it has not received payment for services since [insert date]. The total amount past due is [insert amount]. Failure to pay the amount required at the company's office or to one of its authorized agents by [insert date] may result in the disconnection of local or toll services. An additional charge for reconnection may apply if your service is disconnected. Payments to an unauthorized payment agent may result in the untimely or improper crediting of your account.

The reasons for disconnection of service are [insert reasons]. In order to avoid the disconnection, the subscriber must take the following action [insert action taken and amount of payment to be made which is not greater than past due balance, not including nonregulated services]. The earliest date when disconnection will occur is [insert date].

Please note that the total amount due to avoid disconnection of local service is [insert figure]. Please note that the total amount due for toll charges is [insert figure]. Nonpayment of toll charges may result in the disconnection of toll services, but not in the disconnection of local service. [If applicable – The total amount due for nonregulated charges is [insert figure]. However, nonpayment of nonregulated charges cannot result in the disconnection of local service or regulated toll service.]

If you wish to contact Sterling Telecom, Inc. to discuss your account, please call or send all correspondence to:

Customer Service  
Sterling Telecom, Inc.  
242 Beverly Road  
Huntington Station, NY 11746

Phone: (866) 425-7143  
Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 a.m. EST

If you have a complaint in regard to this disconnection notice that can not be resolved after you have called Sterling Telecom, Inc., or for general information, residential and business customers may call the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO), toll free at 1-800-686-7826 or for TDD/TYY toll free at 1-800-686-1570 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. weekdays, or visit [www.puco.ohio.gov](http://www.puco.ohio.gov).

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## NON-RESIDENTIAL DISCONNECTION NOTICE

Sterling Telecom, Inc.

[Date]

Customer Name  
Address 1  
Address 2  
City, State, Zip

Account Number: xxxxxxx  
Amount Past Due: \$xxxx.xx

This will serve notice that Sterling Telecom, Inc. intends to disconnect your [insert either local or long distance or local and long distance] telephone service. Sterling Telecom, Inc. has decided to take this action, because it has not received payment for services since [insert date]. The total amount past due is [insert amount]. Failure to pay the amount required at the company's office or to one of its authorized agents by [insert date] may result in the disconnection of local or toll services. An additional charge for reconnection may apply if your service is disconnected. Payment to an authorized agent may result in the untimely or improper crediting of your account.

The reasons for disconnection of service are [insert reasons]. In order to avoid the disconnection, the subscriber must take the following action [insert action taken and amount of payment to be made which is not greater than past due balance, not including non-regulated services]. The earliest date when disconnection will occur is [insert date].

Please note that the total amount due to avoid disconnection of local service is [insert figure]. The total amount due for toll charges is [insert figure]. Nonpayment of toll charges may result in the disconnection of toll service but not in the disconnection of local service. [If applicable – The total amount due for non-regulated charges is [insert figure]. However, nonpayment of non-regulated charges cannot result in the disconnection of local service or regulated toll service.]

You may contact us to make an inquiry, to discuss the delinquency, or to make a complaint.

Customer Service  
Sterling Telecom, Inc.  
242 Beverly Road  
Huntington Station, NY 11746

Phone: (866) 425-7143  
Hours: 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. EST

If your questions are not resolved after you have called Sterling Telecom, Inc., customer may call the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO), toll free at 1-800-686-7826 or for TDD/TTY toll free at 1-800-686-1570 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. weekdays, or visit the PUCO website at [www.puco.ohio.gov](http://www.puco.ohio.gov).

You may also be charged a deposit prior to restoration of service, which is [*“two-twelfths of the reasonably estimated charge for the following twelve months of service.”*]

## **EXHIBIT G-4**

**Provide a copy of any customer application form required in order to establish residential service, if applicable.**



**Sterling Telecom, Inc.**  
**242 Beverly Road**  
**Huntington Station, NY 11746**

**Letter of Agency & Service Agreement**

Please Print: Subscriber: \_\_\_\_\_

Physical Address of Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday: \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Billing Address (If different from above): \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Billing Telephone Number: (    ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Service desired: (circle one)    Basic Local    InterLATA Toll    IntraLATA Toll

Additional Telephone Numbers:

Additional Features:

(    ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_  
(    ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_  
(    ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

I authorize you to notify my local telephone company that I have selected Sterling Telecom, Inc. to be my local exchange carrier and authorize Sterling Telecom, Inc. to act as agent on my behalf. I also hereby revoke any appointments of authority that I have given to any other carrier prior to this date. A switching charge may be incurred each time the underlying interexchange company is changed. I understand that the local exchange carrier may charge a nominal fee per line for conversion costs. Upon cancellation, I understand I am responsible to secure alternate long distance services.

Name (Please Print): \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## **EXHIBIT G-5**

**For CLECs, List of Ohio ILEC Exchanges the applicant intends to serve**

Company Name: Sterling Telecom, Inc.

Select Only AT&T Ohio

dba:

Certificate Number:

Designate Proposed Market Area (PMA) by putting an "X" in appropriate boxes

ILEC	COUNTY	EXCHANGE	PMA
AT&T Ohio	ADAMS	Winchester	X
AT&T Ohio	ATHENS	Nelsonville	X
AT&T Ohio	BELMONT	Barnesville	X
AT&T Ohio	BELMONT	Bellaire	X
AT&T Ohio	BELMONT	Bethesda	X
AT&T Ohio	BELMONT	Martins Ferry-Bridgeport	X
AT&T Ohio	BELMONT	Somerton	X
AT&T Ohio	BELMONT	St. Clairsville	X
AT&T Ohio	BROWN	Aberdeen	X
AT&T Ohio	BROWN	Ripley	X
AT&T Ohio	BUTLER	Middletown	X
AT&T Ohio	BUTLER	Monroe	X
AT&T Ohio	BUTLER	Trenton	X
AT&T Ohio	CHAMPAIGN	Christiansburg	X
AT&T Ohio	CLARK	Donnelsville	X
AT&T Ohio	CLARK	Enon	X
AT&T Ohio	CLARK	Medway	X
AT&T Ohio	CLARK	New Carlisle	X
AT&T Ohio	CLARK	North Hampton	X
AT&T Ohio	CLARK	Pitchin	X
AT&T Ohio	CLARK	South Charleston	X
AT&T Ohio	CLARK	South Vienna	X
AT&T Ohio	CLARK	Springfield	X
AT&T Ohio	CLARK	Tremont City	X
AT&T Ohio	COLUMBIANA	Columbiana	X
AT&T Ohio	COLUMBIANA	East Liverpool	X
AT&T Ohio	COLUMBIANA	East Palestine	X
AT&T Ohio	COLUMBIANA	Leetonia	X
AT&T Ohio	COLUMBIANA	Lisbon	X
AT&T Ohio	COLUMBIANA	New Waterford	X
AT&T Ohio	COLUMBIANA	Rogers	X
AT&T Ohio	COLUMBIANA	Salem	X
AT&T Ohio	COLUMBIANA	Salineville	X
AT&T Ohio	COLUMBIANA	Wellsville	X
AT&T Ohio	COSHOCTON	Conesville	X
AT&T Ohio	COSHOCTON	Coshocton	X
AT&T Ohio	COSHOCTON	West Lafayette	X
AT&T Ohio	CUYAHOGA	Bedford	X
AT&T Ohio	CUYAHOGA	Berea	X
AT&T Ohio	CUYAHOGA	Brecksville	X
AT&T Ohio	CUYAHOGA	Chagrin Falls	X
AT&T Ohio	CUYAHOGA	Cleveland	X
AT&T Ohio	CUYAHOGA	Gates Mills	X
AT&T Ohio	CUYAHOGA	Hillcrest	X
AT&T Ohio	CUYAHOGA	Independence	X

AT&T Ohio	CUYAHOGA	Montrose [CUY]	X
AT&T Ohio	CUYAHOGA	North Royalton	X
AT&T Ohio	CUYAHOGA	Olmsted Falls	X
AT&T Ohio	CUYAHOGA	Strongsville	X
AT&T Ohio	CUYAHOGA	Terrace	X
AT&T Ohio	CUYAHOGA	Trinity	X
AT&T Ohio	CUYAHOGA	Victory	X
AT&T Ohio	ERIE	Bloomington	X
AT&T Ohio	ERIE	Castalia	X
AT&T Ohio	ERIE	Sandusky	X
AT&T Ohio	FAIRFIELD	Carroll	X
AT&T Ohio	FAIRFIELD	Lancaster	X
AT&T Ohio	FAIRFIELD	Rushville	X
AT&T Ohio	FAIRFIELD	Sugar Grove	X
AT&T Ohio	FAYETTE	Bloomington	X
AT&T Ohio	FAYETTE	Jeffersonville	X
AT&T Ohio	FAYETTE	Milledgeville	X
AT&T Ohio	FAYETTE	Washington Court House	X
AT&T Ohio	FRANKLIN	Alton	X
AT&T Ohio	FRANKLIN	Canal Winchester	X
AT&T Ohio	FRANKLIN	Columbus	X
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AT&T Ohio	FRANKLIN	Grove City	X
AT&T Ohio	FRANKLIN	Groveport	X
AT&T Ohio	FRANKLIN	Harrisburg	X
AT&T Ohio	FRANKLIN	Hilliard	X
AT&T Ohio	FRANKLIN	Lockbourne	X
AT&T Ohio	FRANKLIN	New Albany	X
AT&T Ohio	FRANKLIN	Reynoldsburg	X
AT&T Ohio	FRANKLIN	Westerville	X
AT&T Ohio	FRANKLIN	Worthington	X
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AT&T Ohio	GALLIA	Guyan	X
AT&T Ohio	GALLIA	Rio Grande	X
AT&T Ohio	GALLIA	Vinton	X
AT&T Ohio	GALLIA	Walnut	X
AT&T Ohio	GEAUGA	Burton	X
AT&T Ohio	GEAUGA	Chesterland	X
AT&T Ohio	GREENE	Beavercreek	X
AT&T Ohio	GREENE	Bellbrook	X
AT&T Ohio	GREENE	Bowersville	X
AT&T Ohio	GREENE	Cedarville	X
AT&T Ohio	GREENE	Fairborn	X
AT&T Ohio	GREENE	Jamestown	X
AT&T Ohio	GREENE	Spring Valley	X
AT&T Ohio	GREENE	Xenia	X
AT&T Ohio	GREENE	Yellow Springs-Clifton	X
AT&T Ohio	HANCOCK	Findlay	X
AT&T Ohio	HIGHLAND	Belfast	X
AT&T Ohio	HIGHLAND	Danville [HIG]	X

AT&T Ohio	HIGHLAND	Hillsboro	X
AT&T Ohio	HIGHLAND	Marshall	X
AT&T Ohio	HIGHLAND	Rainsboro	X
AT&T Ohio	HIGHLAND	Sugar Tree Ridge	X
AT&T Ohio	HOCKING	Murray City	X
AT&T Ohio	JEFFERSON	Mingo Junction	X
AT&T Ohio	JEFFERSON	Steubenville	X
AT&T Ohio	JEFFERSON	Toronto	X
AT&T Ohio	LAKE	Leroy	X
AT&T Ohio	LAKE	Mentor	X
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AT&T Ohio	LAKE	Wickliffe	X
AT&T Ohio	LAKE	Willoughby	X
AT&T Ohio	LAWRENCE	Arabia	X
AT&T Ohio	LAWRENCE	Ironton	X
AT&T Ohio	LUCAS	Holland	X
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AT&T Ohio	LUCAS	Toledo	X
AT&T Ohio	LUCAS	Whitehouse	X
AT&T Ohio	MADISON	London	X
AT&T Ohio	MADISON	Sedalia	X
AT&T Ohio	MADISON	South Solon	X
AT&T Ohio	MADISON	West Jefferson	X
AT&T Ohio	MAHONING	Canfield	X
AT&T Ohio	MAHONING	Lowellville	X
AT&T Ohio	MAHONING	North Jackson	X
AT&T Ohio	MAHONING	North Lima	X
AT&T Ohio	MAHONING	Sebring	X
AT&T Ohio	MAHONING	Youngstown	X
AT&T Ohio	MIAMI	Fletcher-Lena	X
AT&T Ohio	MIAMI	Piqua	X
AT&T Ohio	MONROE	Beallsville	X
AT&T Ohio	MONROE	Clarington	X
AT&T Ohio	MONROE	Duffy	X
AT&T Ohio	MONROE	Graysville	X
AT&T Ohio	MONROE	Lewisville	X
AT&T Ohio	MONROE	Woodsfield	X
AT&T Ohio	MONTGOMERY	Centerville [MOT]	X
AT&T Ohio	MONTGOMERY	Dayton	X
AT&T Ohio	MONTGOMERY	Miamisburg-W. Carrollton	X
AT&T Ohio	MONTGOMERY	Vandalia	X
AT&T Ohio	MUSKINGUM	Dresden	X
AT&T Ohio	MUSKINGUM	Fultonham	X
AT&T Ohio	MUSKINGUM	Norwich	X
AT&T Ohio	MUSKINGUM	Philo	X
AT&T Ohio	MUSKINGUM	Zanesville	X
AT&T Ohio	PERRY	Corning	X
AT&T Ohio	PERRY	Glenford	X
AT&T Ohio	PERRY	New Lexington	X
AT&T Ohio	PERRY	Roseville	X
AT&T Ohio	PERRY	Shawnee	X
AT&T Ohio	PERRY	Somerset	X

AT&T Ohio	PERRY	Thornville	X
AT&T Ohio	PICKAWAY	New Holland	X
AT&T Ohio	PORTAGE	Atwater	X
AT&T Ohio	PORTAGE	Kent	X
AT&T Ohio	PORTAGE	Mantua	X
AT&T Ohio	PORTAGE	Mogadore	X
AT&T Ohio	PORTAGE	Ravenna	X
AT&T Ohio	PORTAGE	Rootstown	X
AT&T Ohio	SANDUSKY	Fremont	X
AT&T Ohio	SANDUSKY	Lindsey	X
AT&T Ohio	SENECA	Fostoria	X
AT&T Ohio	SENECA	New Riegel	X
AT&T Ohio	SENECA	Tiffin	X
AT&T Ohio	STARK	Alliance	X
AT&T Ohio	STARK	Canal Fulton	X
AT&T Ohio	STARK	Canton	X
AT&T Ohio	STARK	Hartville	X
AT&T Ohio	STARK	Louisville	X
AT&T Ohio	STARK	Magnolia-Waynesburg	X
AT&T Ohio	STARK	Marlboro	X
AT&T Ohio	STARK	Massillon	X
AT&T Ohio	STARK	Navarre	X
AT&T Ohio	STARK	North Canton	X
AT&T Ohio	STARK	Uniontown	X
AT&T Ohio	SUMMIT	Akron	X
AT&T Ohio	SUMMIT	Greensburg	X
AT&T Ohio	SUMMIT	Manchester [SUM]	X
AT&T Ohio	TRUMBULL	Girard	X
AT&T Ohio	TRUMBULL	Hubbard	X
AT&T Ohio	TRUMBULL	Kirtland	X
AT&T Ohio	TRUMBULL	Niles	X
AT&T Ohio	TRUMBULL	Sharon	X
AT&T Ohio	TUSCARAWAS	Gnadenhutten	X
AT&T Ohio	TUSCARAWAS	Newcomerstown	X
AT&T Ohio	TUSCARAWAS	Uhrichsville	X
AT&T Ohio	WARREN	Franklin	X
AT&T Ohio	WASHINGTON	Belpre	X
AT&T Ohio	WASHINGTON	Marietta	X
AT&T Ohio	WASHINGTON	New Matamoras	X
AT&T Ohio	WASHINGTON	Newport	X
AT&T Ohio	WAYNE	Dalton	X
AT&T Ohio	WOOD	Perrysburg	X
AT&T Ohio	WYANDOT	Upper Sandusky	X
X			

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ILEC	COUNTY	EXCHANGE	PMA
United Telephone dba Embarq	ALLEN	Beaverdam	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	ALLEN	Bluffton	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	ALLEN	Cairo	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	ALLEN	Delphos	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	ALLEN	Elida	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	ALLEN	Gomer	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	ALLEN	Lafayette	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	ALLEN	Lima	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	ALLEN	Westminster	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	ASHTABULA	Andover	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	ASHTABULA	Jefferson	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	ASHTABULA	New Lyme	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	ATHENS	Glouster	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	AUGLAIZE	Waynesfield	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	CHAMPAIGN	North Lewisburg	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	CHAMPAIGN	Rosewood	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	CRAWFORD	Bucyrus	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	CRAWFORD	Chaffield	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	CRAWFORD	Lykens	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	CRAWFORD	New Winchester	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	DARKE	Ansonia	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	DARKE	Arcanum	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	DARKE	Bradford	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	DARKE	Gettysburg	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	DARKE	Greenville	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	DARKE	Hollansburg	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	DARKE	New Madison	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	DARKE	Rosburg	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	DARKE	Versailles	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	DEFIANCE	Defiance	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	DEFIANCE	Jewell	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	DELAWARE	Sunbury	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	FULTON	Archbold	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	FULTON	Lyons	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	FULTON	Metamora	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	FULTON	Swanton	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	FULTON	Wauseon	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	HARDIN	Ada	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	HARDIN	Alger	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	HARDIN	Dunkirk	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	HARDIN	Mount Victory	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	HARDIN	Ridgeway	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	HENRY	Deshler	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	HENRY	Florida	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	HENRY	Gerald	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	HENRY	Grelton-Malinta	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	HENRY	Hamler	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	HENRY	Holgate	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	HENRY	Liberty Center	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	HENRY	Napoleon	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	HOLMES	Big Prairie	X

United Telephone dba Embarq	HOLMES	Glenmont	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	HOLMES	Holmesville	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	HOLMES	Killbuck	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	HOLMES	Millersburg	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	HOLMES	Nashville	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	KNOX	Centerburg	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	KNOX	Danville [KNO]	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	KNOX	Fredericktown	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	KNOX	Gambler	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	KNOX	Martinsburg	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	KNOX	Mount Vernon	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	LICKING	Alexandria	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	LICKING	Croton	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	LICKING	Hebron	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	LICKING	Johnstown	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	LICKING	Pataskala	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	LICKING	Utica-Homer	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	LOGAN	Belle Center	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	LOGAN	Bellefontaine	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	LOGAN	De Graff	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	LOGAN	East Liberty	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	LOGAN	Huntsville	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	LOGAN	Rushsylvania	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	LOGAN	Russells Point	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	LOGAN	West Liberty	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	LOGAN	West Mansfield	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	LUCAS	Richfield Center-Berkey	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	LUCAS	Waterville	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	MAHONING	Berlin Center	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	MAHONING	Damascus	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	MAHONING	North Benton	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	MARION	Caledonia	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	MERCER	Rockford	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	MORGAN	Chesterhill	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	MORGAN	McConnelsville	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	MORGAN	Pennsville	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	MORGAN	Reinersville-Hackney	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	MORGAN	Stockport	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	MORROW	Cardington	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	MORROW	Chesterville	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	MORROW	Johnsville	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	MORROW	Marengo	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	MORROW	Mount Gilead	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	MUSKINGUM	Adamsville	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	MUSKINGUM	Fazeysburg	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	PERRY	Crooksville	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	PERRY	Junction City	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	PICKAWAY	Mount Sterling	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	PORTAGE	Lake Milton	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	PORTAGE	Wayland	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	PORTAGE	Windham	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	PREBLE	Camden	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	PREBLE	Eaton	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	PREBLE	Eldorado	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	PREBLE	New Paris	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	PREBLE	West Manchester	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	PUTNAM	Ottawa	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	RICHLAND	Adario	X



United Telephone dba Embarq	RICHLAND	Bellville	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	RICHLAND	Butler	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	RICHLAND	Lexington	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	RICHLAND	Lucas	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	RICHLAND	Mansfield	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	RICHLAND	Shelby	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	RICHLAND	Shiloh	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	SANDUSKY	Woodville	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	SENECA	Green Springs	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	SENECA	Old Fort	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	SHELBY	Anna	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	SHELBY	Botkins	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	SHELBY	Fort Loramie	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	SHELBY	Jackson Center	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	SHELBY	Sidney	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	TRUMBULL	Bristolville	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	TRUMBULL	Cortland	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	TRUMBULL	Greene	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	TRUMBULL	Hartford	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	TRUMBULL	Johnston	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	TRUMBULL	Kinsman	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	TRUMBULL	Newton Falls	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	TRUMBULL	Warren	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	UNION	Byhalia	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	UNION	Magnetic Springs	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	UNION	Marysville	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	UNION	Milford Center	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	UNION	Raymond	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	UNION	York Center	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	VAN WERT	Van Wert	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	VAN WERT	Venedocia	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	WARREN	Lebanon	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	WARREN	Mason	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	WARREN	Morrow	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	WARREN	South Lebanon	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	WARREN	Waynesville	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	WASHINGTON	Bartlett	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	WAYNE	Apple Creek	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	WAYNE	Fredericksburg	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	WAYNE	Kidron	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	WAYNE	Marshallville	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	WAYNE	Orrville	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	WAYNE	Rittman	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	WAYNE	Shreve	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	WAYNE	Smithville	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	WAYNE	Sterling	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	WAYNE	Wooster	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	WILLIAMS	Stryker	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	WOOD	Bloomdale	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	WOOD	Cygnat	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	WOOD	Luckey	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	WOOD	Moline	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	WOOD	Portage	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	WOOD	Risingsun	X
United Telephone dba Embarq	WOOD	Stony Ridge	X

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Verizon North	ADAMS	Manchester [ADA]	X
Verizon North	ADAMS	Peebles	X
Verizon North	ADAMS	Seaman	X
Verizon North	ADAMS	West Union	X
Verizon North	ALLEN	Spencerville	X
Verizon North	ASHLAND	Ashland	X
Verizon North	ASHLAND	Hayesville	X
Verizon North	ASHLAND	Loudonville	X
Verizon North	ASHLAND	Perrysville	X
Verizon North	ASHLAND	Polk	X
Verizon North	ASHLAND	Redhaw	X
Verizon North	ASHLAND	Savannah	X
Verizon North	ATHENS	Albany	X
Verizon North	ATHENS	Amesville	X
Verizon North	ATHENS	Athens	X
Verizon North	ATHENS	Guysville	X
Verizon North	ATHENS	New Marshfield	X
Verizon North	ATHENS	Shade	X
Verizon North	ATHENS	The Plains	X
Verizon North	AUGLAIZE	Minster	X
Verizon North	AUGLAIZE	New Bremen	X
Verizon North	AUGLAIZE	St. Marys	X
Verizon North	BELMONT	Flushing	X
Verizon North	BROWN	Decatur	X
Verizon North	BROWN	Georgetown	X
Verizon North	BROWN	Hamersville	X
Verizon North	BROWN	Higginsport	X
Verizon North	BROWN	Mount Orab	X
Verizon North	BROWN	Russellville	X
Verizon North	BROWN	Sardinia	X
Verizon North	BUTLER	Morning Sun	X
Verizon North	BUTLER	Oxford	X
Verizon North	CARROLL	Carrollton	X
Verizon North	CARROLL	Dellroy	X
Verizon North	CARROLL	Harlem Springs	X
Verizon North	CARROLL	Malvern	X
Verizon North	CARROLL	Mechanicstown	X
Verizon North	CHAMPAIGN	Mechanicsburg	X
Verizon North	CHAMPAIGN	Woodstock	X
Verizon North	CLARK	Catawba	X
Verizon North	CLERMONT	Felicity	X
Verizon North	CLINTON	Blanchester	X
Verizon North	CLINTON	Clarksville	X
Verizon North	CLINTON	Martinsville	X
Verizon North	CLINTON	New Burlington	X

Verizon North	CLINTON	New Vienna	X
Verizon North	CLINTON	Port William	X
Verizon North	CLINTON	Sabina	X
Verizon North	CLINTON	Wilmington	X
Verizon North	COLUMBIANA	East Rochester	X
Verizon North	COLUMBIANA	Hanoverton	X
Verizon North	COLUMBIANA	North Georgetown	X
Verizon North	COLUMBIANA	Winona	X
Verizon North	COSHOCTON	Cooperdale	X
Verizon North	COSHOCTON	Warsaw	X
Verizon North	CRAWFORD	Crestline	X
Verizon North	CRAWFORD	Galion	X
Verizon North	CRAWFORD	New Washington	X
Verizon North	DARKE	North Star	X
Verizon North	DARKE	Yorkshire	X
Verizon North	DEFIANCE	Hicksville	X
Verizon North	DEFIANCE	Ney	X
Verizon North	DELAWARE	Ashley	X
Verizon North	DELAWARE	Cheshire Center	X
Verizon North	DELAWARE	Delaware	X
Verizon North	DELAWARE	Kilbourne	X
Verizon North	DELAWARE	Ostrander	X
Verizon North	DELAWARE	Radnor	X
Verizon North	DELAWARE	Rathbone	X
Verizon North	ERIE	Berlin Heights	X
Verizon North	ERIE	Huron	X
Verizon North	ERIE	Kelleys Island	X
Verizon North	ERIE	Milan	X
Verizon North	FAIRFIELD	Amanda	X
Verizon North	FAIRFIELD	Baltimore	X
Verizon North	FAIRFIELD	Bremen	X
Verizon North	FAIRFIELD	Millersport	X
Verizon North	FAIRFIELD	Pleasantville	X
Verizon North	FULTON	Fayette	X
Verizon North	GUERNSEY	Byesville	X
Verizon North	GUERNSEY	Cambridge	X
Verizon North	HANCOCK	Arlington	X
Verizon North	HANCOCK	Jenera	X
Verizon North	HANCOCK	McComb	X
Verizon North	HANCOCK	Mount Blanchard	X
Verizon North	HANCOCK	Rawson	X
Verizon North	HANCOCK	Van Buren	X
Verizon North	HARDIN	Forest	X
Verizon North	HARRISON	Bowerston	X
Verizon North	HARRISON	Cadiz	X
Verizon North	HARRISON	Freeport	X
Verizon North	HARRISON	Jewett	X
Verizon North	HARRISON	Scio	X
Verizon North	HIGHLAND	Greenfield	X
Verizon North	HIGHLAND	Leesburg	X
Verizon North	HIGHLAND	Lynchburg	X
Verizon North	HIGHLAND	Mowrystown	X

Verizon North	HIGHLAND	Sinking Spring	X
Verizon North	HOCKING	Laurelville	X
Verizon North	HOCKING	Logan	X
Verizon North	HOLMES	Berlin	X
Verizon North	HOLMES	Lakeville	X
Verizon North	HURON	Bellevue	X
Verizon North	HURON	Greenwich	X
Verizon North	HURON	Monroeville	X
Verizon North	HURON	New London	X
Verizon North	HURON	Norwalk	X
Verizon North	HURON	Wakeman	X
Verizon North	HURON	Willard	X
Verizon North	JACKSON	Jackson	X
Verizon North	JACKSON	Oak Hill	X
Verizon North	JACKSON	Wellston	X
Verizon North	JEFFERSON	Adena	X
Verizon North	JEFFERSON	Amsterdam	X
Verizon North	JEFFERSON	Bergholz	X
Verizon North	JEFFERSON	Brilliant	X
Verizon North	JEFFERSON	Dillonvale-Mt. Pleasant	X
Verizon North	JEFFERSON	Knoxville	X
Verizon North	JEFFERSON	Richmond	X
Verizon North	JEFFERSON	Smithfield	X
Verizon North	JEFFERSON	Tiltonsville	X
Verizon North	LAWRENCE	Chesapeake	X
Verizon North	LORAIN	Grafton	X
Verizon North	LORAIN	North Eaton	X
Verizon North	LORAIN	Oberlin	X
Verizon North	LORAIN	Wellington	X
Verizon North	LUCAS	Curtice-Oregon	X
Verizon North	LUCAS	Sylvania	X
Verizon North	MADISON	Resaca	X
Verizon North	MARION	Green Camp	X
Verizon North	MARION	Larue	X
Verizon North	MARION	Marion	X
Verizon North	MARION	Morral	X
Verizon North	MARION	Prospect	X
Verizon North	MARION	Waldo	X
Verizon North	MEDINA	Brunswick	X
Verizon North	MEDINA	Chatham	X
Verizon North	MEDINA	Homerville	X
Verizon North	MEDINA	Lodi	X
Verizon North	MEDINA	Medina	X
Verizon North	MEDINA	Seville	X
Verizon North	MEDINA	Sharon Center	X
Verizon North	MEDINA	Spencer	X
Verizon North	MEDINA	Valley City	X
Verizon North	MEDINA	Wadsworth	X
Verizon North	MEDINA	Westfield Center	X
Verizon North	MEIGS	Letart Falls	X
Verizon North	MEIGS	Pomeroy	X
Verizon North	MEIGS	Portland	X

Verizon North	MERCER	Celina	X
Verizon North	MERCER	Coldwater	X
Verizon North	MERCER	Fort Recovery	X
Verizon North	MERCER	Maria Stein	X
Verizon North	MERCER	Mendon	X
Verizon North	MIAMI	Laura	X
Verizon North	MIAMI	Tipp City	X
Verizon North	MIAMI	Troy	X
Verizon North	MIAMI	West Milton	X
Verizon North	MONTGOMERY	Brookville	X
Verizon North	MONTGOMERY	Englewood	X
Verizon North	MONTGOMERY	Farmersville	X
Verizon North	MONTGOMERY	Liberty	X
Verizon North	MONTGOMERY	New Lebanon	X
Verizon North	MONTGOMERY	Phillipsburg	X
Verizon North	MONTGOMERY	Trotwood	X
Verizon North	MUSKINGUM	New Concord	X
Verizon North	NOBLE	Caldwell	X
Verizon North	NOBLE	Dexter City	X
Verizon North	NOBLE	Summerfield	X
Verizon North	OTTAWA	Elmore	X
Verizon North	OTTAWA	Genoa	X
Verizon North	OTTAWA	Marblehead	X
Verizon North	OTTAWA	Oak Harbor	X
Verizon North	OTTAWA	Port Clinton	X
Verizon North	OTTAWA	Put-In-Bay	X
Verizon North	PAULDING	Antwerp	X
Verizon North	PAULDING	Payne	X
Verizon North	PICKAWAY	Ashville	X
Verizon North	PICKAWAY	Circleville	X
Verizon North	PICKAWAY	Williamsport	X
Verizon North	PIKE	Beaver	X
Verizon North	PIKE	Idaho	X
Verizon North	PIKE	Piketon	X
Verizon North	PIKE	Waverly	X
Verizon North	PORTAGE	Garrettsville	X
Verizon North	PREBLE	Gratis	X
Verizon North	PREBLE	Lewisburg	X
Verizon North	PREBLE	West Alexandria	X
Verizon North	RICHLAND	Plymouth	X
Verizon North	SANDUSKY	Clyde	X
Verizon North	SANDUSKY	Gibsonburg	X
Verizon North	SANDUSKY	Helena	X
Verizon North	SCIOTO	Portsmouth	X
Verizon North	SENECA	Attica	X
Verizon North	SENECA	Bettsville	X
Verizon North	SENECA	Bloomville	X
Verizon North	SENECA	Republic	X
Verizon North	STARK	Beach City	X
Verizon North	STARK	Brewster	X
Verizon North	STARK	Minerva	X
Verizon North	STARK	Paris	X

Verizon North	STARK	Wilmot	X
Verizon North	SUMMIT	Montrose [SUM]	X
Verizon North	TUSCARAWAS	Baltic	X
Verizon North	TUSCARAWAS	Bolivar	X
Verizon North	TUSCARAWAS	Mineral City	X
Verizon North	TUSCARAWAS	New Philadelphia	X
Verizon North	TUSCARAWAS	Strasburg	X
Verizon North	TUSCARAWAS	Sugarcreek	X
Verizon North	UNION	Plain City	X
Verizon North	UNION	Richwood	X
Verizon North	VAN WERT	Convoy	X
Verizon North	VAN WERT	Ohio City	X
Verizon North	VAN WERT	Scott	X
Verizon North	VAN WERT	Willshire-Wren	X
Verizon North	VINTON	McArthur	X
Verizon North	VINTON	Wilkesville	X
Verizon North	WASHINGTON	Barlow	X
Verizon North	WASHINGTON	Beverly	X
Verizon North	WASHINGTON	Lowell	X
Verizon North	WASHINGTON	Lower Salem	X
Verizon North	WASHINGTON	Watertown	X
Verizon North	WAYNE	Burbank	X
Verizon North	WAYNE	Congress	X
Verizon North	WAYNE	Creston	X
Verizon North	WAYNE	West Salem	X
Verizon North	WILLIAMS	Bryan	X
Verizon North	WILLIAMS	Edgerton	X
Verizon North	WILLIAMS	Edon	X
Verizon North	WILLIAMS	Evansport	X
Verizon North	WILLIAMS	Montpelier	X
Verizon North	WILLIAMS	Pioneer	X
Verizon North	WILLIAMS	West Unity	X
Verizon North	WOOD	Bowling Green	X
Verizon North	WOOD	Grand Rapids	X
Verizon North	WOOD	Haskins-Tontogany	X
Verizon North	WOOD	North Baltimore	X
Verizon North	WOOD	Pemberville	X
Verizon North	WOOD	Wayne-Bradner	X
Verizon North	WOOD	Weston	X
Verizon North	WYANDOT	Carey	X
Verizon North	WYANDOT	Harpster	X
Verizon North	WYANDOT	Nevada	X
Verizon North	WYANDOT	Wharton	X

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**dba:**   
**Certificate Number:**

Select Only Cincinnati Bell

Designate Proposed Market Area (PMA) by putting an "X" in appropriate boxes

ILEC	COUNTY	EXCHANGE	PMA
Cincinnati Bell	BUTLER	Bethany-West Chester	X
Cincinnati Bell	BUTLER	Hamilton	X
Cincinnati Bell	BUTLER	Reily	X
Cincinnati Bell	BUTLER	Seven Mile	X
Cincinnati Bell	BUTLER	Shandon	X
Cincinnati Bell	CLERMONT	Bethel	X
Cincinnati Bell	CLERMONT	Clermont	X
Cincinnati Bell	CLERMONT	Little Miami	X
Cincinnati Bell	CLERMONT	Newtownsville	X
Cincinnati Bell	CLERMONT	Williamsburg	X
Cincinnati Bell	HAMILTON	Cincinnati	X
Cincinnati Bell	HAMILTON	Harrison	X
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## **EXHIBIT G-6**

**If mirroring the entire LEC exchanges for both serving area and local calling areas, tariffs may incorporate by reference. If not mirroring the entire ILEC serving and/or local calling areas, the CLEC shall specifically define their service and local calling areas in the tariff.**

Applicant is mirroring the entire ILEC exchanges for both serving area and local calling areas.