April 21, 2008

Ms. Reneé J. Jenkins Director of Administration Secretary of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio 180 East Broad Street Columbus, Ohio 43215

RE: In the Matter of the Application of The McClure Telephone Company to Increase its Insufficient Fund Check Charge; PUCO Case No. 08-531-TP-ALI

Dear Ms. Jenkins:

The McClure Telephone Company ("McClure") submits an Application for electronic filing in connection with the above-referenced matter. The TRF Number for The McClure Telephone Company is 90-5026-TP-TRF.

McClure will file the Affidavit attached to the Application as Exhibit E upon execution.

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

Very truly yours,

/s/ Carolyn S. Flahive

Enclosure

NEW YORK

WASHINGTON, D.C.

The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

TELECOMMUNICATIONS APPLICATION FORM

Automatic Cases for ILECs Not Subject to Alternative Regulation (Effective October 14, 2004)

In the Matter of the Application of McClure)
Telephone Company to Increase its Insufficient) Case No. <u>08 - 531 - TP - ALI</u> Fund Check Charge)
Name of Company McClure Telephone Company Address of Company 311 South East Street, P.O. Box 26, McClure, OH 43534 Company Web Address
Regulatory Contact Person(s) Carolyn S. Flahive Phone (614) 469-3200 Fax (614) 469-3361
Regulatory Contact Person's Email Address Carolyn.Flahive@ThompsonHine.com
Date TRF Docket No. <u>90 - 5026 - TP - TRF</u>
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]
<u>NOTE</u> : This form must accompany all automatic approval/notice applications filed by incumbent local exchange companies (ILECs) not subject to a qualifying alternative regulation plan when making an application pursuant to Case Nos. 84-944-TP-COI and 86-1144-TP-COI or 89-564-TP-COI.
I. Please indicate the reason for submitting this form (check one)
□ 1 (AEC) Application For Approval Of A Customer Contract For Competitive Services
□ a. Stand-Alone Contract (90-day approval, 7 copies)
□ b. Pre-Approved Contract (0-day notice, 7 copies) □ 2 (ACO) ILEC Application for Change in Ownership Pursuant to 4905.402, Ohio Revised Code (30-day approval, 10 copies)
■ 3 (ALI) Small, For-Profit, ILEC Application For A Limited Increase In Non-Basic Rates (60-day approval, 10 copies)
□ 4 (ATA) Application For Tariff Amendment That Does Not Result In An Increase In Rates
a. Large ILEC, Competitive Offerings Other Than Those Listed Under 5., Below (60-day approval, 7 copies)
 □ b. Small, for-profit ILECs (45-day approval, 10 copies) (Not-for-profit, see item 6, NFP, below) □ c. All Others (non-automatic approval)
□ 5 (ZTA) Tariff Notification Not For An Increase In Rates Involving Message Toll, Toll-Free Service, 900 And 900-Like Services, 500
Service, Calling Card, Prepaid Calling Card, Private Line, and Speed Dialing In Accordance With Waiver Granted in 99-
563-TP-COI (5/11/2000 and 11/21/2002) (0-day notice, 7 copies)
NOTE: Notifications do not require or imply Commission Approval. □ 6 (NFP) Small, not-for-profit ILEC tariff amendment
□ a. Tariff Change Not Resulting In An Increase In Rates (0-day notice, 7 copies)
□ b. Tariff Application Resulting In An Increase In Non-Basic Rates (45-day notice, 7 copies)
□ c. Tariff Application Resulting In An Increase In Basic Rates (60-day notice, 10 copies)
THE FOLLOWING ARE TRF FILINGS ONLY, NOT NEW CASES
□ 7 Introduction or Extension of Promotional Offering (10-day notice, 3 copies)

□ 8

New Price List Rate Within an Approved Rate Range for Existing Competitive Service (0-day notice, 3 copies)

II. The following exhibits corresponding to the list of cases above, at a minimum, are required to be filed:

×	3, 4, 5, 6	Current Tariff Sheets (to be superseded), if applicable
×	3, 4, 5, 6	Proposed Tariff Sheets
×	2, 3, 4, 5, 6	Rationale or Explanation for Change
	1.a., 4.a.	Justification for Competitive Treatment
	1.a., 4.a.	Cost support for non-MTS service
×	2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8	Customer Notice to customers affected by proposal, and statement as to the form and timing of the notice
	1	Copy of Contract

- III. Applicant is filing this application under the regulatory requirements established by the Commission in Case No. 89-564-TP-COI.
- IV. Applicant respectfully requests the Commission to permit the filing of the proposed tariff sheets, to become effective on the date shown on the proposed tariff sheets (which is a date no earlier than the day after the applicable automatic approval date), modified by any further revisions that have become effective prior to the effective date of the proposed schedule sheets.

Respectfully submitted,

MCCLURE TELEPHONE COMPANY

By: _____/s/ Carolyn S. Flahive
Thomas E. Lodge (0015741)
Carolyn S. Flahive (0072404)
THOMPSON HINE LLP
10 West Broad Street, Suite 700
Columbus, Ohio 43215-3435
614-469-3200
Its Attorneys

VERIFICATION

I verify that all of the information submitted herein, and all additional information submitted in connection with this case, is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Duane E. Schroeder, Vice President, General Manager

*Verification is required for every filing, and need **not** be notarized except for Applications for a Limited Increase in Rates (ALIs). The verification may be signed by an officer of the applicant, its counsel, or an authorized agent of the applicant, except for ALIs. ALI applications must be signed by an officer of the company and be notarized.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this	_ day of, 2008.	
	Notary Public, State of Ohio	
	My commission expires	

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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 1844 day of april 2008.

CHARLENE HARDING
Notery Public - State of Onio
My Commission Expires June 25, 2019

Notary Public, State of Ohio

My commission expires July 25, 20.11

EXHIBIT A

(Current Tariff Sheets)

P.U.C.O. NO. 6 LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE TARIFF

SERVICE CONNECTION CHARGES (Continued)

B. APPLICATION OF CHARGES (Continued)

3. Charges: The following charges apply for Customer initiated services on a non-recurring basis:

	<u>Business</u>	Residence
Initial Service Order	\$20.00	\$20.00
Subsequent Service Order	\$15.00	\$15.00
Line Connection Charge	T&M	\$15.00
Number Change Charge	T&M**	\$15.00**
Reconnect Charge* (formerly known as Restoral of Service)	\$20.00	\$20.00
Move Charge (off premise)	T&M**	\$15.00
Insufficient Fund Check Charge	\$10.00	\$10.00

All residential and business installations are charged an initial Service Order Charge and a Line Connection Charge as set forth above. T&M (time and materials) is based on the actual cost of direct labor, indirect labor, overhead, and materials.

C. MISCELLANEOUS RATES AND CHARGES

- 1. Late Payment Charge*: \$1.00 or 5%, whichever is greater, will apply to regulated charges not paid at least nineteen (19) days after the postmark on the customer's bill. The late payment charge will not apply to any portion of the bill that is in bona fide dispute, any previous late payment fees included in the amount due, or to service establishment charges for lifeline services. Late payment charges are to be applied without discrimination.
- 2. Touch Tone service is furnished to all Customers in the McClure Exchange at no additional charge.

Issued: April 7, 2008 Effective: May 23, 2008

^{**}Rate is in addition to Subsequent Service Order Charge set forth above.

^{*}The Company may waive this charge if extenuating circumstances exist.

EXHIBIT B

(Proposed Tariff Sheets)

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SERVICE CONNECTION CHARGES (Continued)

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Issued: April 21, 2008 Effective: June 23, 2008

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EXHIBIT C

The Applicant, McClure Telephone Company, hereby proposes to increase its charge for checks returned from the bank for insufficient funds or for any other reason.

The current Insufficient Fund Check Charge no longer covers the Applicant's labor expenses associated with the handling of checks that are returned from the bank. By deterring customers from paying with bad checks, the Applicant expects to reduce the amount of time its customer service representatives spend handling checks returned from the bank, which would allow it to devote more resources to providing the highest levels of service to all of its customers.

EXHIBIT D

(Customer Notice)

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Customers will be informed of the increase in the Insufficient Fund Check Charge via a newspaper notice that will appear in The Northwest Signal and the Sentinel-Tribune on April 24, 2008.

McClure Telephone Company

CUSTOMER NOTICE

McClure Telephone Company ("McClure") has filed an application with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio ("PUCO") requesting authority to raise its Insufficient Fund Check Charge. If approved by the PUCO, the new rates will become effective on June 23, 2008.

	Current Rate	Proposed Rate	Amount	
	(Business and	(Business and	of	
	Residential)	Residential)	Increase	
Insufficient Fund Check Charge	\$10.00	\$20.00	\$10.00	

If you have any questions concerning this new charge, please call our business office at 419-748-8008 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday – Friday. If you believe that this proposed charge is unfair, you have the right to lodge an objection with the PUCO, prior to May 22, 2008, either by writing to the following address: Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, Docketing Department, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793, or by calling the PUCO's toll free hotline at 1-800-686-7826.

EXHIBIT E

(Affidavit)

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of McClure)	
Telephone Company to Increase its Insufficient)	Case No. 08-531-TP-ALI
Fund Check Charge)	

AFFIDAVIT OF DUANE E. SCHROEDER

NOW COMES Duane E. Schroeder, being first duly cautioned and sworn, deposes and says as follows:

- I am Vice-President/General Manager of the McClure Telephone Company
 ("McClure"), 311 South East Street, P.O. Box 26, McClure, OH 43534. I
 make this Affidavit on behalf of McClure and do so in the ordinary discharge
 of my responsibilities.
- 2. On April 21, 2008, McClure filed an Application in this matter seeking authority to increase its charge for checks returned from the bank due to insufficient funds or for any other reason.
- 3. Customers were notified of the increased Insufficient Fund Check Charge via a newspaper notice that appeared in The Northwest Signal and the Sentinel-Tribune on April 24, 2008. A copy of the notice is attached to the Application as Exhibit D.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NAUGHT.

Duane E. Sch	Duane E. Schroeder	
Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence this	day of	2008.
Notary Public	c	

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Application was served upon the following by first class mail, postage prepaid, this 21st day of April 2008.

/s/ Carolyn S. Flahive Carolyn S. Flahive

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Summary: Application In the Matter of the Application of The McClure Telephone Company to Increase its Insufficient Fund Check Charge electronically filed by Carolyn S Flahive on behalf of The McClure Telephone Company