

July 14, 2008

*By Electronic Delivery*

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 Buckland Telephone Company to Make Text Changes to its  
Tariff to Reflect New MTSS; PUCO Case No. 08-637-TP-ATA

Dear Ms. Jenkins:

The Buckland Telephone Company submits final tariff sheets for electronic filing in connection with the above-referenced matter. The TRF Number for The Buckland Telephone Company is 90-5008-TP-TRF.

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

Very truly yours,

/s/ Carolyn S. Flahive

Enclosure

| <u>SUBJECT</u>   | <u>TARIFF</u> | <u>SECTION</u> | <u>SHEET</u> |     |
|--|---------------|----------------|--------------|-----|
| Circuits on Private Property                                 | 4             | 3              | 13           |     |
| Connecting Company Lines (Use of)                            | 4             | 3              | 2            |     |
| Connection Charge (Custom Calling)                           | 4             | 2              | 9            |     |
| Connections with Certain Facilities Provided by Subscribers: |               |                |              |     |
| Company Responsibility                                       | 4             | 6              | 2            |     |
| Customer Responsibility                                      | 4             | 6              | 2            |     |
| General  | 4             | 6              | 1            |     |
| Violation of Regulations                                     | 4             | 6              | 3            |     |
| Contract Periods (Initial)                                   | 4             | 3              | 20           |     |
| Construction Charges:  |               |                |              |     |
| Installation & Maintenance                                   | 4             | 3              | 11           |     |
| Special Type of Construction                                 | 4             | 3              | 12           |     |
| Constructed on Private Property                              | 4             | 3              | 13           |     |
| Line Extensions  | 4             | 3              | 13           |     |
| Credit Risk  | 4             | 3              | 13           |     |
| Custom Calling Features                                      | 4             | 2              | 8            |     |
| Custom Local Area Signalling Services (CLASS)                |               |                |              |     |
| Class Defined  | 4             | 2              | 17           |     |
| Rates and Charges  | 4             | 2              | 18           |     |
| Discounts  | 4             | 2              | 18           |     |
| Connection Charges   | 4             | 2              | 18           |     |
| Promotions   | 4             | 2              | 19           |     |
| Customer Owned Coin Operated Telephone (COCOT)               |               |                |              |     |
| Application of   | 1             | -              | 1            |     |
| Disconnection of COCOT Service                               | 1             | -              | 4-6          |     |
| General  | 1             | -              | 1            |     |
| Rates and Charges  | 1             | -              | 4            |     |
| Regulations  | 1             | -              | 1-4          |     |
| Customer Premises Inside Wire                                | 4             | 6              | 1            |     |
| Defacement of Premises                                       | 4             | 3              | 2            |     |
| Definitions  | 4             | 5              | 1-8          |     |
| Deposits (Customer)  | 4             | 3              | 5-6          | (T) |
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| INSIDE WIRE, CUSTOMER PREMISES    | 4             | 6              | 1 – 2        |     |
| INSUFFICIENT FUND CHECK CHARGE    | 4             | 1              | 3            |     |
| INTERRUPTION OF SERVICE           | 4             | 3              | 1            |     |
| LATE PAYMENT CHARGE               | 4             | 1              | 3            | (T) |
| LIABILITY OF TELEPHONE COMPANY    | 4             | 3              | 24           |     |
| LINE CONNECTION CHARGE            | 4             | 2              | 1            |     |
| LINE EXTENSIONS                   | 4             | 3              | 13           |     |
| LINE NUMBER PRIVACY               | 4             | 2              | 12 – 14      |     |
| LOCAL EXCHANGE RATES              | 4             | 1              | 1            |     |
| MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR            | 4             | 3              | 7            |     |
| MAP OF EXCHANGE BOUNDARIES        | 4             | 1              | 2            |     |
| MESSAGE TOLL TELEPHONE SERVICE    | 4             | 4              | 1            |     |
| MISCELLANEOUS SERVICE CHARGES     | 4             | 2              | 1            |     |
| MISUSE OF FACILITIES              | 4             | 3              | 4 – 5        |     |
| NO-PUBLISHED (Unlisted) NUMBERS   | 4             | 1              | 1            |     |
| NON-PUBLISHED TELEPHONE SERVICE   | 4             | 3              | 6            |     |
| NON-RECURRING SERVICE CHARGES     | 4             | 2              | 1            |     |
| NUMBER CHANGE                     | 4             | 2              | 1            |     |
| OBLIGATION & LIABILITY OF COMPANY | 4             | 3              | 1 – 2        |     |
| OBLIGATION OF CUSTOMER            | 4             | 3              | 24           |     |
| OFF PREMISE EXTENSION CHARGE      | 4             | 2              | 6            |     |
| OWNERSHIP AND USE OF EQUIPMENT    | 4             | 3              | 3            |     |
| PRIVACY, CALL NO./LINE NO.        | 4             | 2              | 12 – 14      |     |

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| CONSTRUCTION – INSTALLATION & MAINTENANCE | 3              | 11           |     |
| CONSTRUCTION – SPECIAL TYPE               | 3              | 12           |     |
| CONTRACT PERIODS                          | 3              | 20           |     |
| CONTRACT PERIODS – INITIAL                | 3              | 20           |     |
| CREDIT – ESTABLISHING                     | 3              | 6            |     |
| CREDIT RISK                               | 3              | 5            |     |
| DEFACEMENT OF PREMISES                    | 3              | 2            |     |
| DEFINITIONS                               | 5              | 1            |     |
| DEPOSITS                                  | 3              | 5            | (T) |
|   |                |              | (D) |

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| LATE PAYMENT CHARGE                           | 1                  | 3                | (T) |
| LIABILITY OF TELEPHONE COMPANY                | 3                  | 24               |     |
| LINE EXTENSIONS                               | 3                  | 13               |     |
| LOCAL EXCHANGE RATES                          | 1                  | 1                |     |
| MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS                       | 3                  | 7                |     |
| MAP OF EXCHANGE BOUNDARIES                    | 1                  | 2                |     |
| MESSAGE TOLL TELEPHONE SERVICE                | 4                  | 1                |     |
| MISUSE OF FACILITIES                          | 3                  | 4                |     |
| NON-PUBLISHED TELEPHONE NUMBERS               | 1                  | 1                |     |
| NON-PUBLISHED TELEPHONE SERVICE GENERAL RULES | 3                  | 6                |     |
| OBLIGATION & LIABILITY OF TELEPHONE COMPANY   | 3                  | 1                |     |
| OBLIGATION OF CUSTOMER                        | 3                  | 24               |     |
| OWNERSHIP AND USE OF EQUIPMENT                | 3                  | 3                |     |

P.U.C.O. No. 4  
LOCAL EXCHANGE TARIFF

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EXCHANGE RATES

Customers have certain rights and responsibilities under the Minimum Telephone Service Standards (Ohio Adm.Code 4901:1-5) (the "MTSS"). These safeguards can be found in the Appendix to Ohio Adm.Code 4901:1-5-03, which is entitled "Telephone Customer Rights and Responsibilities." These rights and responsibilities include complaint handling, ordering or changing service, service repair, payment of bills, and disconnection and reconnection of service.

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The following identified service rates entitle the subscribers of telephone service to call, without additional charge, the subscribers of Buckland Exchange, the Buckland Telephone Company, the subscribers of the Cridersville and Wapakoneta Exchanges, the Telephone Service Company and the subscribers of Lima Exchange, the United Telephone Company of Ohio.

The following listed rates for exchange telephone service shall apply within the exchange area as depicted on the Buckland Exchange Map (Section No. 1, Original Sheet No. 2, P.U.C.O. No. 4, Local Exchange Tariff).

| <u>Business</u>                                      | <u>Monthly Rate</u> |
|--|---------------------|
| Individual Access Line, ea. line.....                | \$16.22             |
| Individual access line, to key tele. system.....     | \$23.22             |
| Individual access line, to Pvt. Branch Exch.....     | \$26.22             |
| *Includes trunk rotation and rotary step-up service. |                     |

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|--|---------|
| Semi-Public Paystation.....  | \$20.00 |
| (See Section 3, Sheets 8 and 9 for further description of Semi-Public Paystation service). |         |

| <u>Residence</u>                      | <u>Monthly Rate</u> |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Individual Access Line, ea. line..... | \$10.74             |

| <u>Paystations</u>           |          |
|------------------------------|----------|
| Per local message, each..... | \$0.10** |

| <u>Non-Published Numbers</u>   | <u>Monthly Rate</u> |
|--|---------------------|
| Additional monthly charge for telephone numbers which are unlisted at the request of the subscriber..... | \$0.75              |

\*\*Pursuant to the Commission's Decision in Case No. 96-1310-TP-COI and the Decision of the FCC in CC Docket 96-128 regarding Section 276 of the 1996 Telecom Act, these charges will be deregulated effective October 7, 1997.

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Late Payment Charges

A. Residential and Business Late Payment Charges

A late payment charge will be applied to residential and business customer bills which remain unpaid at least nineteen days after the postmark on the customer's bill. This charge will be the greater of either \$5.00, or an amount that equals 1.5% of the unpaid charges which are past due; except that the charge is not applicable as specified in subsection B. below or until the amount past due exceeds \$21.00.

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Upon customer request, each residential customer shall be permitted a one-time waiver of a late payment charge in cases where the customer has already paid the monthly bill for which the late payment charge was applied.

B. The late payment charge does not apply to:

1. Amounts which are in dispute at the time the late payment charge would otherwise be applied.
2. Federal excise tax or any other taxes levied by law directly on the customer.
3. Amounts billed by the Company for other entities for which the charge is not authorized by those entities' appropriate tariffs or contracts, other than Interexchange Carrier Services for which the Company, acting as the principal Billing and Collection Agent, purchases the accounts receivable in advance of subscriber billing.
4. Service order charges associated with the commencement of Lifeline service.
5. Any previous late payment fees included in the amount due.

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C. Credit, deposit and collection procedures outlined elsewhere in this tariff are not waived by the application of a late payment charge.

D. The late payment charge will be assessed on the past due amount 19 days after the postmark on the customer's bill.

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Insufficient Fund Check Charge

A. If the Company receives a check from a customer in payment for service rendered or for any other reason of indebtedness, which is returned from the bank due to insufficient funds or for any other reason, the Company shall apply a \$20.00 service charge for each such check returned.

B. The Company may waive this service charge if extenuating circumstances exist.

P.U.C.O. NO. 4  
GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

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C. USE OF SERVICE AND FACILITIES (continued)

4. Misuse of Facilities (continued)

- e. Causing or allowing Telephone Company equipment to be tampered with, damaged or destroyed through negligence.
- f. When service is restored after denial, the Telephone Company will make a pro rata allowance at the scheduled rate for the service denied for the entire period of denial.

5. Government Objections to Service

The Telephone Company has the right and duty to refuse to institute service for a potential customer or to discontinue the service of an existing customer if not doing so would be in violation of Rule No. 21.12 of the Commission's Code of Rules and Regulations or of an order issued to the Company by a court of competent jurisdiction.

D. ESTABLISHMENT AND FURNISHING SERVICE

1. Application for Service

Application for service shall constitute a contract when accepted verbally or in writing by the Company or upon the establishing of service. The initial minimum contract period for exchange service is one (1) month from the date service is established unless otherwise specified herein or elsewhere in the Telephone Company tariff.

2. Advance Payments

Applicants for service who have no account with the Telephone Company or whose financial responsibility is not a matter of general knowledge, may be required to make an advance payment before the service is installed, equal to one month's estimated charges for service provided and any service connections, installations, non-recurring, or construction charges that may be applicable.

The amount of the advance payment is credited to the customers account as applying to any indebtedness under the contract.

3. Deposits

When the Company assesses a deposit, it will do so based on the customer's average monthly bill, using the customer's service account billing history for the same recurring regulated charges for the class of service the customer is seeking to establish.

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GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

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D. ESTABLISHMENT AND FURNISHING SERVICE (continued)

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4. Telephone Numbers

The subscriber has no property right in the telephone number or any right to continuance of service through any particular central office and the Telephone Company may change the telephone number of the central office designation or both, of a subscriber whenever it deems it advisable in the conduct of its business to do so.

5. Non-Published Telephone Service

Upon request, a subscriber may have the listing of his telephone number omitted from the directory and information records subject to the provisions set forth below:

- a. If a listing is to be omitted, the subscriber is required to sign a written statement, releasing the Telephone Company from all responsibility for losses arising from such omissions.
- b. The Telephone Company shall not be liable for failure or refusal to complete any call to such telephone when such call is not placed by number.
- c. The Telephone Company will endeavor to prevent the disclosure of the number of such telephone, but shall not be liable should such number be divulged through inadvertence.
- d. Non-published telephone service is provided at the monthly and nonrecurring charge quoted in the General Exchange Service Tariff, Section 2.

6. Alterations

The subscriber agrees to notify the Company promptly whenever alterations or new construction on premises owned or leased by him will necessitate change in the Company's wiring or equipment; and the subscriber agrees to pay the Company's current charges for such change.

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GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

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PROCEDURE FOR DISCONNECTION OF SERVICE (Cont'd)

A. Disconnection for Non-Payment of Charges Due (Cont'd)

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3. Company is prohibited from disconnecting any customer's local service for nonpayment of charges incurred by the customer for toll service.
4. Partial payments by a customer to Company will be apportioned by the Company to Company's regulated local service charges first before being applied by Company to any toll charges and will be apportioned to regulated telephone service charges first before being applied to charges for nonregulated services.

P.U.C.O. NO. 5

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