

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Review of Chapter 4901:1-6,)
Ohio Administrative Code.)

Case No. 06-1345-TP-ORD

ENTRY

The Commission finds:

- (1) Rule 4901:1-6-05(G)(1), Ohio Administrative Code (O.A.C.), states that:

All regulated nonresidential Tier 2 services and all regulated toll services, unless otherwise determined by the Commission, shall not be included in tariffs or contracts filed with the Commission, but shall still be subject to Commission oversight and regulation.

- (2) On November 20, 2008, as amended on February 18, 2009, STi Prepaid, LLC (STi or applicant) filed a request for a waiver of Rule 4901:1-6-05(G)(1), O.A.C. Specifically, STi requests that it be permitted to continue to tariff its Casual Calling service, which allows customers to utilize STi's interexchange services on a 10-10 dial-around basis.

In support of its request, STi submits that the motion is reasonable inasmuch as at the time of the call, the company is not always able to identify casual callers utilizing its dial-around services and is unable to route such calls to an announcement where billing rates, terms, and conditions could be provided. Rather, the applicant explains that charges related to its dial-around services are placed on the end user's local exchange company's bill by a third-party billing and collection vendor. Therefore, STi states that it will not have an opportunity to advise the end user in advance regarding the rates, terms and conditions that will apply to their use of the 10-10 service.

STi also notes that the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) previously determined that Casual Calling should not be subject to mandatory detariffing because it understood the difficulties inherent in establishing a contract with these types of customers.

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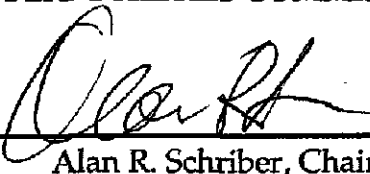
- (3) Based on the specific facts presented regarding STi's provisioning of Casual Calling service and its inability to identify and route such calls to an announcement for the purpose of providing billing terms, STi's waiver is granted. In the future, should STi become technically capable of intercepting a call signaled as Casual Calling and routing it to an announcement that would provide billing terms, STi should file to withdraw Casual Calling from its tariffs.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That STi's waiver request is granted in accordance with Finding (3). It is, further,

ORDERED, That a copy of this entry be served on the applicant.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO




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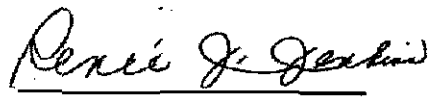


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