

The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
TELECOMMUNICATIONS APPLICATION FORM
for
ILECs Not Subject to Alternative Regulation
(Effective November 14, 2008)

In the Matter of the Application of Bascom Mutual Telephone) TRF Docket No. **90-5006-TP-TRF**
Company to Transition its Intrastate Access Rates in its Edge Out) Case No. **10 -1152 -TP - ATA**
Exchanges Pursuant to Case No. 08-117-TP-WVR) **NOTE: Unless you have reserved a Case # or are filing a Contract,**
leave the "Case No" fields BLANK.

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Date _____

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]

NOTE:

- 1) Not-For-Profit companies must use the NFP application Form (See 05-1303-TP-COI (No not use this App Form)).
- 2) For requirements for various applications, see the identified section of Ohio Administrative Code Section 4901.
- 3) Information regarding the number of copies required by the Commission may be obtained from the Commission's web site at 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.
- 4) 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, 86-1144-TP-COI, 89-564-TP-COI, or 99-563-TP-COI.
 - ✓ All non-automatic approval applications filed by incumbent local exchange companies (ILECs) not subject to a qualifying alternative regulation plan when making an application pursuant to Section 4909.18, Ohio Revised Code.

I. Please indicate the reason for submitting this form (check one)

Retail Filings

- ☐ 1 (AEC) Application For Approval Of A Customer Contract For Competitive Services (pursuant to 84-944-TP-COI & 86-1144-TP-COI)
☐ 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 - Retail Tariff - That Does Not Result In An Increase In Rates
Small, for-profit ILECs (45-day approval, 10 copies)
- ☐ 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 (Non-Auto) All Others (non-automatic approval, indicate appropriate 3 letter code for case type in Case No. above)

Carrier to Carrier Filings

- ☒ 7 (ATA) Application For Tariff Amendment - Access Tariff Applications pursuant to Rule 4901:1-7-14(B) of O.A.C. (30-day approval)
- ☐ 8 (NAG) Negotiated Carrier-to-Carrier Interconnection Agreement under Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act (90-day approval) & Rule 4901:1-7 of O.A.C
- ☐ 9 (ARB) Request for Arbitration of a Carrier-to-Carrier Interconnection Agreement under Section 252 of the Telecommunications Act. (non-automatic) & Rule 4901:1-7 of O.A.C

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

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3, 4, 5, 6, 7	Current Tariff Sheets (to be superseded), if applicable
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3, 4, 5, 6, 7	Proposed Tariff Sheets
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7	Rationale or Explanation for Change
<input type="checkbox"/>	1	Justification for Competitive Treatment
<input type="checkbox"/>	2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7	Customer Notice to customers affected by proposal, and statement as to the form and timing of the notice
<input type="checkbox"/>	1, 8	Copy of Contract
<input type="checkbox"/>	9	Filing Requirements are specified in 4901:1-7-09(D) of the Ohio Administrative Code

III. Applicant is filing this application under the regulatory requirements:

- ☒ Established by the Commission in Case No. 89-564-TP-COI.
☐ Established in 4909.18 Ohio Revised Code.

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,

BASCOM MUTUAL TELEPHONE COMPANY

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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.

/s/ Carolyn S. Flahive
*(Signature and Title)

8/17/10
(Date)

*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 _____ 2010.

Notary Public, State of Ohio
My commission expires _____

EXHIBIT A
(CURRENT TARIFF SHEETS)

P.U.C.O. No. 3
ACCESS SERVICE TARIFF

The rates, charges and conditions for the provision of Intrastate Carrier Access Service are as specified in the National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc. ("NECA") Tariff F.C.C. No. 5, Tariff F.C.C. No. 3, and Tariff F.C.C. No. 4, as filed with the Federal Communications Commission, as each now exists and as each may be revised, added to, or supplemented. The effectiveness of Section No. 4, End User Access Service, of the NECA Tariff, as applied to intrastate customers, has been suspended by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio ("PUCO"). The rates, terms, and conditions for Intrastate Carrier Common Line Access Service are set forth herein.

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The Telephone Company mirrors NECA Tariff F.C.C. No. 5 (hereinafter, the "NECA Tariff") for the provision of Intrastate Carrier Access Service with the following exceptions:

(T)

Section 4 End User Access Service
 Suspended by the PUCO

Section 6 Switched Access Service
 Switched access rates applied to the intrastate jurisdiction shall
 remain at the levels existing on December 31, 1997.

The Telephone Company mirrors NECA Tariff F.C.C. No. 3 (Special Construction) and Tariff F.C.C. No. 4 (Wire Center Information) in their entirety for the provision of Intrastate Carrier Access Service.

EXHIBIT B
(PROPOSED TARIFF SHEETS)

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ACCESS SERVICE TARIFF

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The Telephone Company mirrors NECA Tariff F.C.C. No. 5 (hereinafter, the "NECA Tariff") for the provision of Intrastate Carrier Access Service with the following exceptions:

Section 4 End User Access Service
 Suspended by the PUCO

Section 6 Switched Access Service

Bascom Exchange: Switched access rates applied to the intrastate jurisdiction shall remain at the levels existing on December 31, 1997.

Edge Out Exchanges (as set forth in Section 13 of the Company's PUCO Tariff No. 3): Pursuant to the Commission's Finding and Order issued May 28, 2008 in Case No. 08-117-TP-WVR, the Company shall, over a 3-year period, reduce its intrastate access rates annually by one-third of the difference between the rates charged in the Bascom Exchange (as "frozen" in 1997) and the current switched access rates set forth in NECA Tariff FCC No. 5. Therefore, the intrastate switched access rates in the Company's Edge Out exchanges shall be calculated as follows:

- Effective February 22, 2010: $\frac{2}{3}$ (Bascom 1997 "frozen" rates minus current NECA switched access rates) plus then-current NECA switched access rates.
- Effective February 22, 2011: $\frac{1}{3}$ (Bascom 1997 "frozen" rates minus NECA switched access rates effective February 22, 2010) plus NECA switched access rates effective February 22, 2010.
- Effective February 22, 2012: Equal to then-current NECA switched access rates.

Bascom Mutual Telephone Company is a rural ILEC competing with a nonrural ILEC in a rural area.

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The Telephone Company mirrors NECA Tariff F.C.C. No. 3 (Special Construction) and Tariff F.C.C. No. 4 (Wire Center Information) in their entirety for the provision of Intrastate Carrier Access Service.

Issued: August 17, 2010

Effective: September 17, 2010

In Accordance with Case No. 10-1152 -TP-ATA
Issued by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
Kathy Reinhart, General Manager
Bascom, Ohio

EXHIBIT C

On June 11, 2008, Bascom Mutual Telephone Company (“Bascom”) filed a “Me Too” request for waiver of the requirement set forth in Case No. 06-1344-TP-ORD that carriers operating out-of-territory must reduce intrastate access charges from existing rates to the rate of the ILEC in whose territory that carrier is operating in those “edge out” areas. In its May 28, 2008 Finding and Order in Case No. 08-117-TP-WVR, the Commission deemed such “Me Too” waiver requests approved unless suspended. Bascom’s “Me Too” request for waiver was deemed approved. Therefore, Bascom was granted an 18-month extension (i.e., until February 22, 2010) to begin the three-year transition period to reduce its intrastate access service charges in its out-of-territory exchanges. Accordingly, Bascom implemented the first of such reductions February 22, 2010. This Application modifies Bascom’s Intrastate Access Service Tariff to reflect the reductions to occur during the three-year transition period.

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Summary: Application - to Transition its Intrastate Access Rates in its Edge Out Exchanges
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COMPANY