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Betty McCauley, Secretary The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio 180 East Broad Street Columbus, Ohio 43215

RE: <u>In the Matter of the Application of Kalida Telephone Company, Inc. to Detariff Services and Make Other Changes Related to the Implementation of Case No. 10-1010-TP-ORD PUCO, Case No. 11-2948-TP-ATA, TRF Docket No. 90-5024-TP-TRF</u>

Dear Ms. McCauley:

Attached are six (6) revised pages to be filed on behalf of Kalida Telephone Company, Inc. in the above-referenced matter. Please replace the sheets originally filed on May 16, 2011 in this matter with the sheets attached hereto.

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

Very truly yours,

/s/ Carolyn S. Flahive Carolyn S. Flahive

Enclosure

# P.U.C.O. NO. 5

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#### MISCELLANEOUS CHARGES

#### A. LATE PAYMENT CHARGE

A Late Payment charge will be applied to residential and business customer bills that remain unpaid after the due date. This charge will be the greater of either \$5.00 or an amount that equals 1.5% of the unpaid charges that are past due; except that the charge is not applicable until a residential customer's amount past due exceeds \$13.00 or a business customer's amount past due exceeds \$10.00.

The Late Payment Charge will not be assessed until at least nineteen 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.

#### B. TELECOMMUNICATIONS RELAY SERVICES (TRS)

Customers may be assessed an annual charge per line to fund the Telecommunications Relay Services for the State of Ohio in accordance with section 4905.84 of the Revised Code. This charge shall in no event exceed the per end user line (or equivalent) assessment of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio levied upon the Company.

#### C. PER CALL BLOCKING

Allows the customers to prevent the disclosure of his telephone number on a per call basis to a called party by dialing \*67 from a touch-tone phone or 1167 from a rotary dial phone. This action must be repeated each time a call is made to prevent the disclosure of the calling party's telephone number. If the called party has a display device, a privacy indication will appear instead of the calling party's telephone number. This service is provided on a universal basis where technically possible, at no monthly charge.

All public and semi-public payphones in The Kalida Telephone Company's service area will be equipped with Per Call Blocking.

# D. 9-1-1 SUBSCRIBER CHARGE:

\$.37/month

# **GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS**

#### A. APPLICATION

The rules and regulations specified herein apply to the provisions of BLES as defined in Section 1, Sheet No. 1 herein.

In the event of a conflict between any rates, rules, regulation or provision contained in these General Rules and Regulations and any rate, rule regulation or provision contained in the other section of this BLES Tariff, the rate, rule, regulation or provision contained in the specific section of this Tariff shall prevail.

# B. OBLIGATION AND LIABILITY OF TELEPHONE COMPANY

# 1. Availability of Facilities

The Telephone Company's obligation to furnish local-extended area service to Glandorf, Ottowa, Columbus Grove, Vaughnsville, Fort Jennings, Ottoville, Cloverdale, Rimer-Gomer, and Continental is dependent upon its ability to secure and retain, without unreasonable expense, suitable facilities and rights for construction and maintenance of the necessary pole lines, underground cable, circuits and equipment.

# GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS (Continued)

#### B. OBLIGATION AND LIABILITY OF TELEPHONE COMPANY (Continued)

#### 2. Transmitting Messages

The Telephone Company does not transmit messages but offers the use of its facilities for communications between patrons. If because of transmission difficulties, the operator, in order to accommodate the subscriber, repeats messages, she is deemed to be acting as the agent of the persons involved and no liability shall attach to the Telephone Company because of any errors made by the operator or misunderstanding that may arise between subscribers because of the errors.

#### 3. Use of Connecting Company Lines

When suitable arrangements can be made, lines of other telephone companies may be used in establishing wire connections to points not reached by this Company's lines. In establishing connections with the lines of other companies, the Telephone Company is not responsible for any action of the Connecting Company.

#### 4. Defacement of Premises

The Telephone Company shall exercise due care in connection with all work done on Customer's premises. No liability shall attach to the Telephone Company by reason of any defacement or damage to the Customer's premises resulting from the existence of the Telephone Company's instruments, apparatus and associated wiring on such premises, or by the installation or removal thereof, unless such defacement or damage is the result of the sole negligence of the Telephone Company.

#### C. USE OF SERVICE AND FACILITIES

# 1. Ownership and Use of Equipment

Equipment and lines furnished by the Telephone Company on the Premises of a subscriber are the property of the Telephone Company. The Company, its agents, or its employees shall have the right to enter upon a customer's (subscriber's) premises during normal working hours only as may be required to make repairs to its equipment or to otherwise remove the source of emergency conditions that are, or that the Company has reason to expect soon will be, endangering the safety, health, or welfare of Company employees or of other persons, or the safety of component parts of the Company's system or equipment.

# GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS (Continued)

#### E. INITIAL CONTRACT PERIODS AND TERMINATION OF SERVICE

#### 1. INITIAL CONTRACT PERIODS

- a. Except as hereinafter provided, the initial (or minimum) contract period for all services and facilities is one month at the same location
- b. The length of contract period for directory listings, and where the listing actually appears in the directory, is the directory period. The directory period is from the day on which the directory is first distributed to the Customers to the day the succeeding directory is first distributed to Customers.

#### 2. TERMINATION OF SERVICE BY SUBSCRIBERS

Service may be terminated prior to the expiration of the initial contract period upon notice being given to the Telephone Company, and upon payment of the termination charges given below, in addition to all charges due for service which has been furnished. In case of service for which the initial contract period is one month, the charges due for the balance of the initial month.

# LIFELINE/LINK-UP REQUIREMENTS

#### A. GENERAL

- 1. Lifeline shall be a flat-rate, monthly, primary access line service with touch-tone service **or** the Company may offer any other packages/bundles of service, if available to customers, less the lifeline discount and shall provide all of the following:
  - a. A recurring discount to the monthly basic local exchange service rate that provides for the maximum contribution of federally available assistance;
  - b. Not more than once per customer at a single address in a twelve-month period, a waiver of all nonrecurring service order charges for establishing service;
  - c. Free blocking of toll service, 900 service and 976 service;
  - d. A waiver of the federal universal service fund end user charge; and
  - e. A waiver of the telephone company's service deposit requirement.

#### B. REGULATIONS

- 1. Lifeline Assistance is available to residential customers who are currently participating in one of the following federal or state low-income assistance programs that limit assistance based on household income:
  - a. Medical Assistance under Chapter 5111 of the Ohio Revised Code (Medicaid) or any state program that might supplant Medicaid;
  - b. Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program (SNAP/Food Stamps);
  - c. Supplemental Security Income (SSI) under Title XVI of the Social Security Act;
  - d. Supplemental Security Insurance blind and disabled (SSD)
  - e. Federal public housing assistance, or Section 8;
  - f. Home Energy Assistance Programs (HEAP, LIHEAP, E-HEAP);
  - g. National School Lunch Program's Free Lunch Program (NSL);
  - h. Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF/Ohio Works); or
  - i. General Assistance (including disability assistance (DA))

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