

**The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio**  
**TELECOMMUNICATIONS FILING FORM**  
(Effective: 01/20/2011)

This form is intended to be used with most types of required filings. It provides check boxes with rule references for the most common types of filings. It does not replace or supersede Commission rules in any way.

In the Matter of the Application of Wabash Mutual Telephone Company to Modify the Terms of its Late Payment Policy ) TRF Docket No. 90-5044-TP-TRF )  
) Case No. 12 - 0185 - **TP** - ATA )  
) NOTE: Unless you have reserved a Case #, leave the "Case No" fields BLANK.

Name of Registrant(s) Wabash Mutual Telephone Company

DBA(s) of Registrant(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Registrant(s) 6670 Wabash Road, Celina, OH 45822

Company Web Address www.wabash.com

Regulatory Contact Person(s) Carolyn S. Flahive Phone 614-469-3294 Fax 614-469-3361

Regulatory Contact Person's Email Address Carolyn.Flahive@ThompsonHine.com

Contact Person for Annual Report Mike Boley, General Manager Phone 419-942-1111

Address (if different from above) \_\_\_\_\_

Consumer Contact Information Mike Boley, General Manager Phone 419-942-1111

Address (if different from above) \_\_\_\_\_

Motion for protective order included with filing?  Yes  No

Motion for waiver(s) filed affecting this case?  Yes  No [Note: Waivers may toll any automatic timeframe.]

**Notes:**

Section I and II are Pursuant to Chapter [4901:1-6 OAC](#)

Section III – Carrier to Carrier is Pursuant to [4901:1-7 OAC](#), and Wireless is Pursuant to [4901:1-6-24 OAC](#).

Section IV – Attestation

- (1) Indicate the Carrier Type and the reason for submitting this form by checking the boxes below.
- (2) For requirements for various applications, see the identified section of Ohio Administrative Code Section 4901 and/or the supplemental application form noted.
- (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](http://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) An Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier (ILEC) offering basic local exchange service (BLES) outside its traditional service area should choose CLEC designation when proposing to offer BLES outside its traditional service area or when proposing to make changes to that service.

**All Filings that result in a change to one or more tariff pages require, at a minimum, the following exhibits.**

Exhibit	Description:
A	The tariff pages subject to the proposed change(s) as they exist before the change(s)
B	The Tariff pages subject to the proposed change(s), reflecting the change, with the change(s) marked in the right margin.
C	A short description of the nature of the change(s), the intent of the change(s), and the customers affected.
D	A copy of the notice provided to customers, along with an affidavit that the notice was provided according to the applicable rule(s).

**Section I – Part I - Common Filings**

<b>Carrier Type</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Other</b> (explain below)	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>For Profit ILEC</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Not For Profit ILEC</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>CLEC</b>
Change terms & conditions of existing BLES	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <a href="#">1-6-14(H)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ATA <a href="#">1-6-14(H)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <a href="#">1-6-14(H)</a> (Auto 30 days)
Introduce non-recurring charge, surcharge, or fee to BLES			<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <a href="#">1-6-14(H)</a> (Auto 30 days)
Introduce or Increase Late Payment	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <a href="#">1-6-14(I)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <a href="#">1-6-14(I)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <a href="#">1-6-14(I)</a> (Auto 30 days)
Revisions to BLES Cap.	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA <a href="#">1-6-14(F)</a> (0 day Notice)		
Introduce BLES or expand local service area (calling area)	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA <a href="#">1-6-14(H)</a> (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA <a href="#">1-6-14(H)</a> (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA <a href="#">1-6-14(H)</a> (0 day Notice)
Notice of no obligation to construct facilities and provide BLES	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA <a href="#">1-6-27(C)</a> (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA <a href="#">1-6-27(C)</a> (0 day Notice)	
Change BLES Rates	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF <a href="#">1-6-14(F)</a> (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF <a href="#">1-6-14(F)(4)</a> (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF <a href="#">1-6-14(G)</a> (0 day Notice)
To obtain BLES pricing flexibility	<input type="checkbox"/> BLS <a href="#">1-6-14(C)(1)(c)</a> (Auto 30 days)		
Change in boundary	<input type="checkbox"/> ACB <a href="#">1-6-32</a> (Auto 14 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACB <a href="#">1-6-32</a> (Auto 14 days)	
Expand service operation area			<input type="checkbox"/> TRF <a href="#">1-6-08(G)</a> (0 day)
BLES withdrawal			<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA <a href="#">1-6-25(B)</a> (0 day Notice)
<b>Other*</b> (explain) _____			

**Section I – Part II – Customer Notification Offerings Pursuant to Chapter [4901:1-6-7 OAC](#)**

Type of Notice	Direct Mail	Bill Insert	Bill Notation	Electronic Mail
<input type="checkbox"/> 15-day Notice	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> 30-day Notice	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Date Notice Sent: February 1, 2012</b>				

**Section I – Part III –IOS Offerings Pursuant to Chapter [4901:1-6-22 OAC](#)**

IOS	Introduce New	Tariff Change	Price Change	Withdraw
<input type="checkbox"/> IOS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Section II – Part I – Carrier Certification - Pursuant to Chapter [4901:1-6-08, 09 & 10 OAC](#)**

<b>Certification</b>	<b>ILEC (Out of Territory)</b>	<b>CLEC</b>	<b>Carrier's Not Offering BLES</b>	<b>CESTC</b>	<b>CETC</b>
* See Supplemental form	<input type="checkbox"/> ACE <a href="#">1-6-08</a> * (Auto 30- day)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACE <a href="#">1-6-08</a> * (Auto 30 day)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACE <a href="#">1-6-08</a> * (Auto 30 day)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACE <a href="#">1-6-10</a> (Auto 30 day)	<input type="checkbox"/> UNC <a href="#">1-6-09</a> * (Non-Auto)

\*Supplemental Certification forms can be found on the Commission Web Page.

**Section II – Part II – Certificate Status & Procedural**

<b>Certificate Status</b>	<b>ILEC</b>	<b>CLEC</b>	<b>Carrier's Not Offering BLES</b>
Abandon all Services		<input type="checkbox"/> ABN <a href="#">1-6-26</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ABN <a href="#">1-6-26</a> (Auto 30 days)
Change of Official Name *	<input type="checkbox"/> ACN <a href="#">1-6-29(B)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACN <a href="#">1-6-29(B)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO <a href="#">1-6-29(C)</a> (0 day Notice)
Change in Ownership *	<input type="checkbox"/> ACO <a href="#">1-6-29(E)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACO <a href="#">1-6-29(E)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO <a href="#">1-6-29(C)</a> (0 day Notice)
Merger *	<input type="checkbox"/> AMT <a href="#">1-6-29(E)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> AMT <a href="#">1-6-29(E)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO <a href="#">1-6-29(C)</a> (0 day Notice)
Transfer a Certificate *	<input type="checkbox"/> ATC <a href="#">1-6-29(B)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATC <a href="#">1-6-29(B)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO <a href="#">1-6-29(C)</a> (0 day Notice)
Transaction for transfer or lease of property, plant or business *	<input type="checkbox"/> ATR <a href="#">1-6-29(B)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATR <a href="#">1-6-29(B)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO <a href="#">1-6-29(C)</a> (0 day Notice)

\* Other exhibits may be required under the applicable rule(s). ACN, ACO, AMT, ATC, ATR and CIO applications see [the 4901:1-6-29 Filing Requirements on the Commission's Web Page](#) for a complete list of exhibits.

**Section III – Carrier to Carrier (Pursuant to [4901:1-7](#)), and Wireless (Pursuant to [4901:1-6-24](#))**

<b>Carrier to Carrier</b>	<b>ILEC</b>	<b>CLEC</b>
Interconnection agreement, or amendment to an approved agreement	<input type="checkbox"/> NAG <a href="#">1-7-07</a> (Auto 90 day)	<input type="checkbox"/> NAG <a href="#">1-7-07</a> (Auto 90 day)
Request for Arbitration	<input type="checkbox"/> ARB <a href="#">1-7-09</a> (Non-Auto)	<input type="checkbox"/> ARB <a href="#">1-7-09</a> (Non-Auto)
Introduce or change c-t-c service tariffs,	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <a href="#">1-7-14</a> (Auto 30 day)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <a href="#">1-7-14</a> (Auto 30 day)
Request rural carrier exemption, rural carrier suspension or modification	<input type="checkbox"/> UNC <a href="#">1-7-04 or 05</a> (Non-Auto)	
Changes in rates, terms & conditions to Pole Attachment, Conduit Occupancy and Rights-of-Way.	<input type="checkbox"/> UNC <a href="#">1-7-23(B)</a> (Non-Auto)	
<b>Wireless Providers</b> See <a href="#">4901:1-6-24</a>	<input type="checkbox"/> RCC [Registration & Change in Operations]	<input type="checkbox"/> NAG [Interconnection Agreement or

**Section IV. – Attestation**

**Registrant hereby attests to its compliance with pertinent entries and orders issued by the Commission.**

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**AFFIDAVIT**  
***Compliance with Commission Rules***

I am an officer/agent of the applicant corporation, Wabash Mutual Telephone Company, and am authorized to make this statement on its behalf.

Julie Marchal  
(Name)

Please Check ALL that apply:

I attest that these tariffs comply with all applicable rules for the state of Ohio. I understand that tariff notification filings do not imply Commission approval and that the Commission's rules as modified and clarified from time to time, supersede any contradictory provisions in our tariff. We will fully comply with the rules of the state of Ohio and understand that noncompliance can result in various penalties, including the suspension of our certificate to operate within the state of Ohio.

I attest that customer notices accompanying this filing form were sent to affected customers, as specified in Section II, in accordance with Rule 4901:1-6-7, Ohio Administrative Code. **[An affidavit will be filed in this docket after the customer notices mail on February 1, 2012.]**

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on (Date) January 9, 2012 at (Location) Celina, Ohio

\*(Signature and Title) /s/ Julie Marchal (Date) 1/09/12

- *This affidavit is required for every tariff-affecting filing. It may be signed by counsel or an officer of the applicant, or an authorized agent of the applicant.*

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**VERIFICATION**

I, Carolyn S. Flahive verify that I have utilized the Telecommunications Filing Form for most proceedings provided by the Commission and that all of the information submitted here, and all additional information submitted in connection with this case, is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

\*(Signature and Title) /s/ Carolyn S. Flahive (Date) 1/10/12

*\*Verification is required for every filing. It may be signed by counsel or an officer of the applicant, or an authorized agent of the applicant.*

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***Send your completed Application Form, including all required attachments as well as the required number of copies, to:***

**Public Utilities Commission of Ohio  
Attention: Docketing Division  
180 East Broad Street, Columbus, OH 43215-3793**

***Or***

***Make such filing electronically as directed in Case No 06-900-AU-WVR***

**EXHIBIT A**  
**(Current Tariff Page)**

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MISCELLANEOUS SERVICE OFFERINGS

MONTHLY CHARGE

1. DGT Touch Tone

This service, more commonly known as Push Button Dialing, will be offered to subscribers.

N/C

2. Per Call Blocking

Enables customers to prevent the disclosure of their telephone number on a per call basis to the called party. The disclosure of the calling party's number can be prevented on a per call basis by dialing a preassigned access code before making a call. 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. Per Call Blocking will be provided on a universal basis to all eligible customers at no charge. All public and semi-public payphones in Wabash Mutual Telephone Company's service area will be equipped with Per Call Blocking.

3. Late Charge

A service charge of five (5) percent will be added the nineteenth (19) of each month. The late payment charge will not be applied to previous late payment charges that have been assessed but not yet paid for, but will apply to the accumulated services for which the customer is in arrears. Late payment charges will be applied without discrimination.

**EXHIBIT B**  
**(Proposed Tariff Page)**

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3. Late Charge  
A service charge of five (5) percent will be added if payment for services rendered is not made by the due date. The late payment charge will not be applied to previous late payment charges that have been assessed but not yet paid for, but will apply to the accumulated services for which the customer is in arrears. Late payment charges will be applied without discrimination. (T)

**EXHIBIT C**  
**(Description of Change)**

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The Applicant's tariff currently states that customers will be assessed a late payment charge on the nineteenth (19th) of each month. Pursuant to Ohio Admin. Code 4901: 1-6-12(C)(7), the Applicant may not "establish a due date for payment earlier than fourteen consecutive days after the date the bill is postmarked...." The Applicant generally mails its bills to customers the first day of every month, which generally results in a payment due date of the fifteenth (15th) of that month. Under the proposed tariff revision, the Applicant would be able to assess the late charge immediately following the due date, rather than waiting until the nineteenth day of the month.

When determining whether a customer's payment is timely, the Applicant relies on the postmark on the payment envelope, rather than the date of receipt.

**EXHIBIT D**  
**(Customer Notice)**

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**(Customer Notices)**

The customer notice attached hereto will be included as a bill message on customer bills mailing February 1, 2012. In addition, on January 10, 2012, the notice was forwarded to the Commission-provided electronic mailbox (Telecomm-Rule07@puc.state.oh.us) in accordance with Ohio Adm. Code 4901:1-6-07. The attached affidavit will be executed and filed in this docket after the customer notices mail.

## **Customer Notice**

Wabash Mutual Telephone Company will soon be changing the date on which it assesses late payment charges. Currently, after the bills mail (generally on the first day of the month), the due date for payment will be fourteen days later, and the late payment charge of 5% would be assessed on the nineteenth day of the month. Effective March 1, 2012, the late payment charge will be assessed if payments are not made by the due date, which will never be earlier than fourteen consecutive days after the postmark of the bill. When determining whether a customer's payment is timely, the Company will rely on the postmark on the customer's payment envelope.

If you have any questions, please call us at (419) 942-1111, or visit us at [www.wabash.com](http://www.wabash.com).

**CUSTOMER NOTICE AFFIDAVIT**

AFFIDAVIT

I, Julie Marchal, am an authorized agent of the applicant corporation, Wabash Mutual Telephone Company, and am authorized to make this statement on its behalf.

I attest that the customer notice accompanying this affidavit was sent to affected customers as a bill message on February 1, 2012, in accordance with Rule 4901:1-6-07, Ohio Administrative Code. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on (Date) \_\_\_\_\_ at (Location) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**This foregoing document was electronically filed with the Public Utilities**

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**Case No(s). 90-5044-TP-TRF, 12-0185-TP-ATA**

Summary: Application to Modify Terms of Late Payment Policy electronically filed by Carolyn S Flahive on behalf of Wabash Mutual Telephone Company