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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 QualStar Communications,	TRF Docket No. 90-9144-TP-TRF
Inc. to add language for Implementation of Intercarrier) Compensation for VoIP-PSTN Traffic as Mandated by the FCC)	Case No. <u>12</u> - <u>0796</u> - TP - <u>ATA</u> NOTE: Unless you have reserved a Case #, leave the "Case No" field BLANK.
Name of Registrant(s) QualStar Communications, Inc.	
DBA(s) of Registrant(s) N/A	
Address of Registrant(s) 417 Wayne Avenue, Defiance, OH 433	212
Company Web Address qualstar.net	
Regulatory Contact Person(s) Phillip D. Maag	Phone <u>419.782.6990</u> Fax <u>419.395.2522</u>
Regulatory Contact Person's Email Address	
Contact Person for Annual Report Same	Phone
Address (if different from above) Same	
Consumer Contact Information Same	Phone
Address (if different from above)	
Motion for protective order included with filing? Yes No Motion for waiver(s) filed affecting this case? Yes No	

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 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)			
В	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).			

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Section I – Part I - Common Filings

Carrier Type Other (explain below)		For Prof	fit ILEC	☐ Not For I	Profit ILEC		CLEC
Change terms & conditions of existing BLES Change terms & conditions of (Auto 30 days)			ATA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (Auto 30 days)		ATA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (Auto 30 days)		
Introduce non-recurring ch surcharge, or fee to BLES	arge,						ATA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> o 30 days)
Introduce or Increase Late	Payment	ATA 1- (Auto 30 day	ys)	ATA 1-6 (Auto 30 day)			ATA <u>1-6-14(1)</u> o 30 days)
Revisions to BLES Cap.		(0 day Notic					
Introduce BLES or expand service area (calling area)	local	☐ ZTA <u>1-0</u> (0 day Notic		[ZTA <u>1-6-</u> (0 day Notice	:)		ZTA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> ny Notice)
Notice of no obligation to of facilities and provide BLES	construct	ZTA <u>1-0</u> (0 day Notic	ee)	[ZTA <u>1-6-</u> (0 day Notice	2)		
Change BLES Rates		(0 day Notic		TRF <u>1-6-14(F)(4)</u> (0 day Notice)		☐ TRF <u>1-6-14(G)</u> (0 day Notice)	
To obtain BLES pricing flexibility		BLS <u>1-6-14</u> (C)(1)(c) (Auto 30 days)					
Change in boundary		ACB <u>1-6-32</u> (Auto 14 days)		ACB <u>1-6-32</u> (Auto 14 days)			
Expand service operation area						ΓRF <u>1-6-08(G)</u> (0 day)	
BLES withdrawal						ZTA <u>1-6-25(B)</u> ny Notice)	
Other* (explain)							
Section I – Part II – Customer Notification Offerings Pursuant to Chapter 4901:1-6-7 OAC							
Type of Notice	Direc	t Mail	Bill	Insert	Bill Nota	ition	Electronic Mail
☐ 15-day Notice	[_					
30-day Notice							
Date Notice Sent:							
Section I – Part III –IOS Offerings Pursuant to Chapter 4901:1-6-22 OAC							
IOS	Introdu	ice New	Tariff	Change	Price Cha	ange	Withdraw
□ IOS		_					

Section II - Part I - Carrier Certification - Pursuant to Chapter 4901:1-6-08, 09 & 10 OAC

	ILEC	CLEC	Telecommunications	CESTC	CETC
Certification	(Out of Territory)		Service Provider		
			Not Offering Local		
* See Supplemental	ACE <u>1-6-08</u>	☐ ACE <u>1-6-08</u>	ACE <u>1-6-</u> 08	ACE <u>1-6-</u> 10	UNC/-6-09
form	* (Auto 30- day)	*(Auto 30 day)	*(Auto 30 day)	(Auto 30 day)	*(Non-Auto)

Section II - Part II - Certificate Status & Procedural

ILEC	CLEC	Telecommunications Service Provider Not Offering Local
	ABN <u>1-6-26</u> (Auto 30 days)	ABN <u>1-6-26</u> (Auto 30 days)
ACN <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	ACN <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u> (0 day Notice)
ACO <u>1-6-29(E)</u> (Auto 30 days)	ACO <u>1-6-29(E)</u> (Auto 30 days)	☐ CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u> (0 day Notice)
AMT <u>1-6-29(E)</u> (Auto 30 days)	AMT <u>1-6-29(E)</u> (Auto 30 days)	CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u> (0 day Notice)
ATC <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	ATC <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u> (0 day Notice)
ATR <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	ATR <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u> (0 day Notice)
	☐ ACN <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days) ☐ ACO <u>1-6-29(E)</u> (Auto 30 days) ☐ AMT <u>1-6-29(E)</u> (Auto 30 days) ☐ ATC <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days) ☐ ATR <u>1-6-29(B)</u>	ABN 1-6-26 (Auto 30 days)

^{*} 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)

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

^{*}Supplemental Certification forms can be found on the Commission Web Page.

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

AFFIDAVIT

Compliance with Commission Rules

I am an officer/agent of the applicant corporation, QualStar Communications, Inc., and am authorized to make this statement on its behalf.

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.
I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.
Executed on (Date) 2/29/12 at (Location) Sylvine, 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.
VERIFICATION
I. Phillip D. Maag 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)

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

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1.2 DEFINITIONS (Cont'd)

TRUNK - A communications path connecting two switching systems in a network, used in the establishment of an end-to-end connection.

TRUNK GROUP - A set of trunks which are traffic engineered as a unit for the establishment of connections between switching systems in which all of the communications paths are interchangeable.

WIRE CENTER - A physical location in which one or more central offices, used for the provision of exchange service, are located.

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- 2.15 Allowances for Interruptions in Service (Cont'd)
 - 2.15.3 Application of Credits for Interruptions in Service (Cont'd)
 - C. (Cont'd)

The formula used for computation of credits is as follows: Credit = $A/720 \times B$

A = outage time in hours (must be 8 or more)

B = total monthly recurring charge for affected service.

D. No credits will be provided for usage sensitive services.

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EXHIBIT B

Revised and New Tariff Pages

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SECTION 1 - GENERAL REGULATIONS

1.2 DEFINITIONS (Cont'd)

TOLL VOIP-PSTN TRAFFIC - a Customer's interexchange voice traffic exchanged with the Company in Time Division Multiplexing format over PSTN facilities, which originates and/or terminates in Internet Protocol (IP) format. "Toll VoIP-PSTN Traffic" originates and/or terminates in IP format when it originates from and/or terminates to an end user customer of a service that requires IP-compatible customer premises equipment.

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TRUNK - A communications path connecting two switching systems in a network, used in the establishment of an end-to-end connection.

TRUNK GROUP - A set of trunks which are traffic engineered as a unit for the establishment of connections between switching systems in which all of the communications paths are interchangeable.

WIRE CENTER - A physical location in which one or more central offices, used for the provision of exchange service, are located.

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- 2.15 Allowances for Interruptions in Service (Cont'd)
 - 2.15.3 Application of Credits for Interruptions in Service (Cont'd)

C. (Cont'd)

The formula used for computation of credits is as follows: $Credit = A/720 \times B$

A = outage time in hours (must be 8 or more)

B = total monthly recurring charge for affected service.

- D. No credits will be provided for usage sensitive services.
- 2.16 Identification and rating of Toll VoIP-PSTN Traffic
 - 2.16.1 Scope
 - A. This section governs the identification of Toll VolP-PSTN Traffic that is required to be compensated at interstate access rates, unless the parties have agreed otherwise, by the Federal Communications Commission in its Report and Order in WC Docket Nos. 10-90, etc., FCC Release No. 11-161 (November 18, 2011)("FCC Order").
 - B. This section establishes the method of separating Toll VoIP-PSTN Traffic from the customer's traditional intrastate access traffic, so that Toll VoIP-PSTN Traffic can be billed in accordance with the FCC Order.
 - C. This section of the tariff does not preclude customers from negotiating different rates, terms and conditions governing compensation for Toll VoIP-PSTN traffic.

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2.16 Identification and rating of Toll VoIP-PSTN Traffic (Cont'd)

2.16.1 Scope (Cont'd)

D. This tariff does not supersede rates, terms and conditions governing compensation for Toll VoIP-PSTN traffic in existing interconnection agreements. Rates, terms and conditions governing compensation for Toll VoIP-PSTN traffic in this tariff apply prospectively.

2.16.2 Rates

Toll VoIP-PSTN Traffic identified in accordance with this tariff section will be billed at rates equal to the Telephone Company's applicable tariffed interstate switched access rate as specified in ICORE F.C.C. No. 3, Section 17.

2.16.3 Calculation and Application of Percent-VoIP-Usage Factors

- A. The Company will determine the number of Toll VoIP-PSTN Traffic minutes of use ("MOU") to which interstate rates will be applied under 2.16.2 preceding, by applying an originating Percent VoIP Usage ("PVU") factor to the total intrastate access MOU originated by a Company end user and delivered to the customer and by applying a terminating PVU factor to the total intrastate access MOU terminated by a customer to the Company's end user.
- B. The customer will calculate and furnish to the Company an originating Percent VoIP Usage-Customer ("PVU-C") factor representing the whole number percentage of the customer's total originating intrastate access MOU that the customer exchanges with the Company in the state that is received from the Company and that is terminated in IP format and that would be billed by the Company as intrastate access MOU. At such time that the Company offers VoIP service, the Company originating Percent VoIP Usage-Company ("PVU-T") factor will be calculated in the same manner as set forth above for customers.
- C. The customer will calculate and furnish to the Company a terminating PVU-C factor representing the whole number percentage of the customer's total terminating intrastate access MOU that the customer exchanges with the Company in the state that is sent to the Company and which originated in IP format and that would be billed by the Company as intrastate access MOU. At such time that the Company offers VoIP service, the Telephone Company terminating PVU-T factor will be calculated in the same manner as set forth above for customers.

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2.16 Identification and rating of Toll VoIP-PSTN Traffic (Cont'd)

2.16.3 Calculation and Application of Percent-VoIP-Usage Factors (Cont'd)

- D. The Company will use the originating PVU-C and PVU-T factors to calculate an originating PVU factor that represents the percentage of total intrastate access MOU exchanged between the Company and the customer that is originated in IP format, whether at Company's end or at the customer's end. The originating PVU factor will be calculated as the sum of: (A) the originating PVU-C factor and (B) the originating PVU-T factor times (1.0 minus the originating PVU-C factor).
- E. The Company will use the terminating PVU-C and terminating PVU-T factors to calculate a terminating PVU factor that represents the percentage of total intrastate access MOU exchanged between a Company and the customer that is terminated in IP format, whether at Company's end or at the customer's end. The terminating PVU factor will be calculated as the sum of: (A) the terminating PVU-C factor and (B) the terminating PVU-T factor times (1.0 minus the terminating PVU-C factor).
- F. The Company will apply the originating and terminating PVU factors to the intrastate access MOU exchanged with the customer to determine the number of Toll VoIP-PSTN MOU.

Example 1: The PVU calculation is applied to the customer's originating and terminating intrastate MOU.

$$PVU = PVU-C + (PVU-T \times (I-PVU-C))$$

The customer reported that their originating PVU-C as 15%. The Company's originating PVU-T is 6%. This results in the following:

$$PVU = 15\%$$
 plus (6% times $(1 - 15\%) = 20\%$

This means that 20% of the originating Intrastate MOU exchanged between the customer and the Company will be rated at Interstate rates.

G. The customer shall not modify their reported PIU factor to account for Toll VoIP-PSTN traffic.

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2.16 Identification and rating of Toll VoIP-PSTN Traffic (Cont'd)

Calculation and Application of Percent-VolP-Usage Factors (Cont'd)

- H. Both the customer provided originating PVU-C and the terminating PVU-C shall be based on information such as the number of the customer's retail VoIP subscriptions in the state (e.g. as reported on FCC Form 477), traffic studies. actual call detail or other relevant and verifiable information which will be provided to Company upon request.
- I. The customer shall retain the call detail, work papers and information used to develop the PVU-C factors for a minimum of one year.
- J. If the customer does not furnish the Company with a PVU-C factor, the Company will utilize a PVU equal to the Telephone Company's originating and/or terminating PVU-T.

2.16.4 Initial Implementation of PVU Factors

- A. If the PVU factors cannot be implemented in the Company's billing systems by December 29, 2011, once the factors can be implemented, the Company will adjust the customer's bills to reflect the PVU factors prospectively in the next bill period, if the PVU-C factors are provided by the customer to the Company prior to April 15, 2012.
- В. The Company shall provide credits based on the reported PVU-C factors on a quarterly basis until such time as the billing system modifications can be implemented.

2.16.5 PVU Factor Updates

Α. The customer may update the PVU-C factors quarterly using the method set forth in 2.16.3(B) and (C) preceding. If the customer chooses to submit such updates, it shall forward to the Company, no later than 15 days after the first of January, April, July and/or October of each year, revised PVU-C factors based on data for the prior three months, ending the last day of December, March, June and September, respectively.

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2.16.5 PVU Factor Updates (Cont'd)

- B. The revised PVU-C factors will serve as the basis for future billing and will be effective on the next bill date, and shall serve as the basis for subsequent monthly billing until superseded by new PVU-C factors.
- C. No prorating or backbilling will be done based on the updated PVU-C factors.
- D. At such time that the Telephone Company offers VoIP service, the Company's PVU-T factor may be updated in the same manner as set forth above for customers.

2.16.6 PVU Factor Verification

- A. Not more than twice in any year, the Company may request from the customer an overview of the process used to determine the PVUC factors, the call detail records, description of the method for determining how the end user originates or terminates calls in IP format, and other information used to determine the customer's PVU-C factors furnished to the Company in order to validate the PVU-C factors supplied. The customer shall comply, and shall reasonably supply the requested data and information within 15 days of the Company's request.
- B. The Company may dispute the customer's PVU-C factor based upon:
 - A review of the requested data and information provided by the customer.
 - The Company's reasonable review of other market information, FCC reports on VoIP lines, such as FCC Form 477 or state level results based on FCC Local Competition Report or other relevant data.
 - 3. A change in the reported PVU-C factor by more than five percentage points from the preceding quarter.

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C. If after review of the data and information, the customer and the Company establishes revised PVU-C factors, the customer and the Company will begin using those revised PVU-C factors with the next bill period.

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2.16.6 PVU Factor Verification (Cont'd)

- D. If the dispute is unresolved, the Company may initiate an audit. The Company shall limit audits of the customer's PVU-C factor to no more than twice per year. The customer may request that the audit be conducted by an independent auditor. In such cases, the associated auditing expenses will be paid by the customer.
 - In the event that the customer fails to provide adequate records to enable the Company or an independent auditor to conduct an audit verifying the customer's PVU-C factors, the Telephone Company will bill the usage for all contested periods using the most recent undisputed PVU-C factors reported by the customer. These PVU-C factors will remain in effect until the audit can be completed.
 - 2. During the audit, the undisputed PVU-C factors from the previous reporting period will be used by the Company.
 - 3. The Company will adjust the customer's PVU-C factors based on the results of the audit and implement the revised PVU-C in the next billing period or quarterly report date, whichever is first. The revised PVU-C factors will apply for the next two quarters before new factors can be submitted by the customer.
 - 4. If the audit supports the customer's PVU-C factors, the usage for the contested periods will be adjusted to reflect the customer's audited PVU-C factors.

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EXHIBIT C

Summary

This filing proposes the addition of tariff language for implementation of the intercarrier compensation regime for certain VoIP-PSTN traffic as mandated in the Federal Communications Commission's November 18, 2011 Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in WC Docket Nos. 10-90, etc. (FCC 11-161).