

The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
TELECOMMUNICATIONS FILING FORM

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In the Matter of the Application of The Bascom Mutual)
Telephone Company to increase Residential Individual line)
access charge)
)

TRF Docket No. 90-5006-TP-TRF

Case No. 13 - 0665 - **TP** - ATA

NOTE: Unless you have reserved a Case #, leave the "Case No" fields
BLANK.

Name of Registrant(s) The Bascom Mutual Telephone Company

DBA(s) of Registrant(s) The Bascom Mutual Telephone Company

Address of Registrant(s) 5990 W. Tiffin St., PO Box 316, Bascom, OH 44809-0316

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Address (if different from above) _____

Consumer Contact Information Kathy Reinhart

Phone 419-937-2222

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 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

Carrier Type <input type="checkbox"/> Other (explain below)	<input type="checkbox"/> For Profit ILEC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not For Profit ILEC	<input type="checkbox"/> CLEC
Change terms & conditions of existing BLES	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA 1-6-14(H) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA 1-6-14(H) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA 1-6-14(H) (Auto 30 days)
Introduce non-recurring charge, surcharge, or fee to BLES			<input type="checkbox"/> ATA 1-6-14(H) (Auto 30 days)
Introduce or Increase Late Payment	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA 1-6-14(I) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA 1-6-14(I) (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA 1-6-14(I) (Auto 30 days)
Revisions to BLES Cap.	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA 1-6-14(F) (0 day Notice)		
Introduce BLES or expand local service area (calling area)	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA 1-6-14(H) (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA 1-6-14(H) (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA 1-6-14(H) (0 day Notice)
Notice of no obligation to construct facilities and provide BLES	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA 1-6-27(C) (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA 1-6-27(C) (0 day Notice)	
Change BLES Rates	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF 1-6-14(F) (0 day Notice)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TRF 1-6-14(F)(4) (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF 1-6-14(G) (0 day Notice)
To obtain BLES pricing flexibility	<input type="checkbox"/> BLS 1-6-14(C)(1)(c) (Auto 30 days)		
Change in boundary	<input type="checkbox"/> ACB 1-6-32 (Auto 14 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACB 1-6-32 (Auto 14 days)	
Expand service operation area			<input type="checkbox"/> TRF 1-6-08(G) (0 day)
BLES withdrawal			<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA 1-6-25(B) (0 day Notice)
Other* (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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> 30-day Notice	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Date Notice Sent: April 1, 2013				

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

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

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

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

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

Section II – Part II – Certificate Status & Procedural

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

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

Exhibit A

Existing Affected Tariff Page(s)

P. U. C. O. NO. 4

EXCHANGE RATES

The following rates shall apply within the exchange area shown on the map in Section 1, Sheet No. 3, which entitles the Subscribers to call, without additional charge, Subscribers in the New Riegel, Tiffin and Fostoria Exchanges of Ameritech Ohio:

<u>BUSINESS</u>	<u>MONTHLY RATE</u>
Individual line	\$13.35
Payphone	\$13.35
<u>RESIDENCE</u>	
Individual line	\$ 7.90

EXPANDED SERVICE AREA

The Company also provides service in the Fostoria, New Riegel, Tiffin and Bettsville Exchanges where facilities permit. The services, rates, terms, and conditions for these exchanges will be identical to those of the Bascom Exchange.

ADDITIONAL CHARGES

The following non-recurring charges apply:

- (i) Connection Charges
 - (a) Initial Installation (Service Order Charge) \$ 15.00
 - (b) Central Office \$ 15.00
- (ii) Premise Visit, New Installation \$ 25.00
- (iii) Re-establishment of suspended service \$ 20.00

Exhibit B

Proposed Revised Tariff Pages(s)

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	<u>MONTHLY RATE</u>	
<u>BUSINESS</u>		
Individual line	\$13.35	
Payphone	\$13.35	
<u>RESIDENCE</u>		
Individual line	\$ 11.00	C

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Exhibit C

Narrative Summarizing Change(s)

In the recent FCC USF/ICC Reform Order, the FCC states that they want to avoid situations where some consumers are subsidizing the cost of service for those that pay local service rates that are significantly lower than the national urban average. The FCC will therefore limit high cost loop support where local end-user rates do not meet an urban rate floor. In order to continue to receive full high cost loop support, The Bascom Mutual Telephone Company is required to have local rates that are comparable to the national urban average.

Exhibit D

Customer Notice(s)

Customer Notice

TARIFF CHANGE

Effective May 1, 2013, the monthly residential Individual Line access charge will increase to \$11.00. Many rural telephone companies receive high cost loop support from the Universal Service Fund (USF) to help keep rates affordable. In the recent FCC USF/ICC Reform Order, the FCC states that they want to avoid situations where some consumers are subsidizing the cost of service for those that pay local service rates that are significantly lower than the national urban average. The FCC will therefore limit high cost loop support where local end-user rates do not meet an urban rate floor. In order to continue receiving full high cost loop support, The Bascom Mutual Telephone Company is required to have local rates that are comparable to the national urban average. The Bascom Mutual Telephone Company's last rate case with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio was 34 years ago in 1979.

Since The Bascom Mutual Telephone Company bills one month in advance, subscribers will see the increase on their May statement. For more information contact The Bascom Mutual Telephone Company at 419-937-2222.

Exhibit E

Affidavit

Section IV. – Attestation

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, Bascom Mutual Telephone Co., and am authorized to make this statement on its behalf.

The Bascom Mutual Telephone Company
(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.

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

Executed on (Date) 3/14/13 at (Location) Bascom, Ohio

*(Signature and Title) Kathy Reinhart (Date) 3/14/13

- *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, Kathy Reinhart, General Manager 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) Kathy Reinhart, General Manager (Date) 3/14/13
*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.

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

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

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Summary: Application In the Matter of the Application of The Bascom Mutual Telephone Company to increase Residential Individual Line Access Charge electronically filed by Kathy Reinhart on behalf of Bascom Mutual Telephone Company