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BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Commission's)
Investigation into Intrastate Carrier Access) Case No. 10-2387-TP-COI
Reform Pursuant to Sub. S.B. 162.)

ENTRY

The Commission finds:

- (1) On November 18, 2011, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) released its Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (Report and Order) in WC Docket No. 07-135 et al., *In the Matter of Establishing Just and Reasonable Rates for Local Exchange Carriers*. In its Report and Order, the FCC adopted a transitional intercarrier compensation restructuring framework for both intrastate and interstate telecommunications traffic exchanged with a local exchange carrier, which will ultimately result in bill and keep.

During the first phase of the intercarrier compensation restructuring, the FCC directed that for price cap carriers, rate-of-return carriers, and certain competitive local exchange carriers (CLECs) (i.e., those that benchmark rates to price cap or rate-of-return carriers) with intrastate terminating switched end office and transport rates, dedicated transport rates, and reciprocal compensation rates that are above the carrier's interstate access rates, to reduce the respective intrastate rates by 50 percent of the differential between the rate and carrier's interstate access rates by July 1, 2012.

During the second phase of the intercarrier compensation restructuring, the FCC directed that for price cap carriers, rate-of-return carriers, and certain CLECs (i.e., those that benchmark rates to price cap or rate-of-return carriers) with intrastate terminating switched end office and transport rates, dedicated transport rates, and reciprocal compensation rates that differ from the carrier's interstate access rates, to revise the respective intrastate rates to mirror the carrier's interstate access rates by July 1, 2013.

- (2) In order to allow for the timely review and implementation of the requisite intrastate access rate revisions, including those related to reciprocal compensation, the Commission directs all affected incumbent local exchange companies (ILECs) and all affected CLECs to file the appropriate application on or before May 1, 2013. The applications should satisfy the criteria set forth in 47 C.F.R. 51.907, 51.909, and 51.911 for price cap and rate-of-return ILECs and CLECs, respectively. Unless suspended by the Commission, the new intercarrier compensation rates shall be automatically effective July 1, 2013. For those local exchange companies that fail to file the requisite application on a timely basis, the applicable effective intercarrier compensation rates will be deemed as unjust and unreasonable as of July 1, 2013, and such carriers will be prohibited from charging for intrastate intercarrier traffic until they have Commission approved tariffs in compliance with this Entry.

The Commission further directs all ILECs and CLECs already in compliance with the criteria set forth in 47 C.F.R. 51.907, 51.909, and 51.911 to file a letter of compliance in this docket on or before May 1, 2013.

It is, therefore,

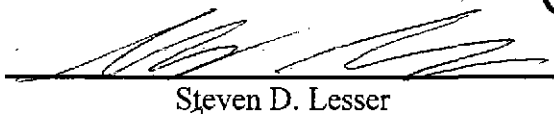
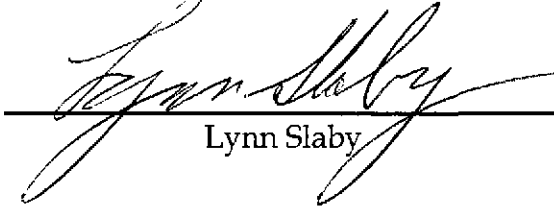
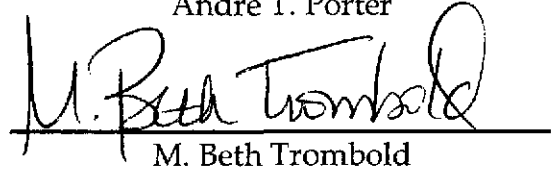
ORDERED, That each ILEC and CLEC should file an application to amend its tariff or file a letter of compliance, as applicable, in accordance with Finding (2). It is, further,

ORDERED, That the tariff amendment applications shall be effective in accordance with Finding (2). It is, further,

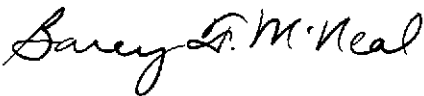
ORDERED, That, in accordance with Finding (2), those ILECs and CLECs that fail to file the requisite application to amend their intercarrier compensation rates will be prohibited from charging for intrastate intercarrier traffic effective July 1, 2013, until they have Commission approved tariffs in compliance with this Entry. It is, further,

ORDERED, That a copy of this entry be served via the Commission's telephone industry electronic mail listserve, upon all ILECs, all CLECs, all providers of telephone toll service, all wireless service providers registered with the Commission, the office of the Ohio Consumers' Counsel, and all other interested persons of record.

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