



April 26, 2013  
Via Web Filing

Ms. Betty McCauley, Commission Secretary  
Ohio Public Utilities Commission  
180 East Broad Street  
Columbus, OH 43215

**RE: Talk America Inc. d/b/a Cavalier Telephone d/b/a Cavalier Business Communications d/b/a Cavalier Telephone and TV  
Revision to Ohio Tariff No. 3 (Switched Access Services)  
Case Number: 10-2387-TP-COI and 13-1094-TP-ATA**

Dear Ms. McCauley:

Attached for filing please find the above-referenced tariff filing and application submitted on behalf of Talk America Inc. This filing is submitted in compliance with the second phase of the FCC 2011 Report and Order in WC Docket No. 07-135, et al, In the Matter of Establishing Just and Reasonable Rates for Local Exchange Carriers and Ohio Case No. 10-2387-TP-COI and reduces the Tandem Switching per minute rate to mirror the rates listed in the Company's interstate access tariff. The Company respectfully requests this filing to become effective July 1, 2013.

The following tariff pages are included with this filing:

6 <sup>th</sup> Revised Page 1	Updates Check Sheet;
2 <sup>nd</sup> Revised Page 2	Updates Check Sheet;
2 <sup>nd</sup> Revised Page 79	Reduces Tandem Switching, per minute rates.

Any questions you may have regarding this filing should be directed to my attention at 407-740-3031 or via email to [stthomas@tminc.com](mailto:stthomas@tminc.com). Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

/s/Sharon Thomas

Sharon Thomas  
Consultant to Talk America Inc.

cc: Karen Hoagland - Talk  
file: Talk - Ohio - Access  
tms: OHa1301

Enclosures  
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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.

<b>In the Matter of the Application of Talk America Inc.</b> <b>d/b/a Cavalier Telephone d/b/a Cavalier Business</b> <b>Communications d/b/a Cavalier Telephone and TV</b> <b>to Revise Carrier-to-Carrier Tariff</b>	) ) ) )	<b>TRF Docket No. 90-5752-TRF</b> <b>Case No. 13-1094-TP-ATA</b> <b>NOTE: Unless you have reserved a Case #, leave the "Case</b> <b>No" fields BLANK.</b>
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Name of Registrant(s): Talk America Inc.

DBA(s) of Registrant(s): d/b/a Cavalier Telephone d/b/a Cavalier Business Communications d/b/a Cavalier Telephone and TV

Address of Registrant(s): 2134 W. Laburnum, Richmond, Virginia 23227

Company Web Address www.cavtel.com

Regulatory Contact Person(s): Katherine Hoagland Phone: 501-748-5150 Fax: 501-748-6583

Regulatory Contact Person's Email Address: katherine.hoagland@cavtel.com

Contact Person for Annual Report: Katherine Hoagland Phone: 501-748-5150

Address (if different from above): 2134 W. Laburnum, Richmond, Virginia 23227

Consumer Contact Information: Tina Neff Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address (if different from above): One Martha's Way, Hiawatha, IA 52233

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

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

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

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

Certificate Status	ILEC	CLEC	Carrier's Not Offering BLES
Abandon all Services		<input type="checkbox"/> ABN <u>1-6-26</u> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ABN <u>1-6-26</u> (Auto 30 days)
Change of Official Name *	<input type="checkbox"/> ACN <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACN <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u> (0 day Notice)
Change in Ownership *	<input type="checkbox"/> ACO <u>1-6-29(E)</u> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACO <u>1-6-29(E)</u> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u> (0 day Notice)
Merger *	<input type="checkbox"/> AMT <u>1-6-29(E)</u> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> AMT <u>1-6-29(E)</u> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u> (0 day Notice)
Transfer a Certificate *	<input type="checkbox"/> ATC <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATC <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u> (0 day Notice)
Transaction for transfer or lease of property, plant or business *	<input type="checkbox"/> ATR <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATR <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u> (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 <u>1-7-07</u> (Auto 90 day)	<input type="checkbox"/> NAG <u>1-7-07</u> (Auto 90 day)
Request for Arbitration	<input type="checkbox"/> ARB <u>1-7-09</u> (Non-Auto)	<input type="checkbox"/> ARB <u>1-7-09</u> (Non-Auto)
Introduce or change c-t-c service tariffs,	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <u>1-7-14</u> (Auto 30 day)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ATA <u>1-7-14</u> (Auto 30 day)
Request rural carrier exemption, rural carrier suspension or modification	<input type="checkbox"/> UNC <u>1-7-04 or 05</u> (Non-Auto)	
Changes in rates, terms & conditions to Pole Attachment, Conduit Occupancy and Rights- of-Way.	<input type="checkbox"/> UNC <u>1-7-23(B)</u> (Non-Auto)	
<b>Wireless Providers</b> See <u>4901:1-6-24</u>	<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 agent of the applicant corporation, Talk America 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) April 27, 2013 at (Location) Maitland, Florida

/s/Sharon Thomas

\*(Signature and Title)

(Date) April 27, 2013

Sharon Thomas, Consultant to Talk America Inc.

- *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, Sharon Thomas 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.

/s/Sharon Thomas

\*(Signature and Title)

(Date) April 27, 2013

Sharon Thomas, Consultant to Talk America Inc.

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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*

TALK AMERICA INC.

EXHIBIT A

EXISTING ACCESS TARIFF PAGES

CARRIER-TO-CARRIER SERVICES

CHECK SHEET

Sheets of this tariff are effective as of the date shown at the bottom of the respective sheet(s). Original and revised sheets as named below comprise all changes from the original tariff and are currently in effect as of the date on the bottom of this page.

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By:

Frances McComb, Sr. Vice President - Law & Public Policy  
2134 W. Laburnum  
Richmond, Virginia 23227

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OHA0807



CARRIER-TO-CARRIER SERVICES

SECTION 5 - SWITCHED ACCESS RATES *continued*

5.4 Rates and Charges *continued*

5.4.2 Switched Transport

C. Tandem-Switched Transport

1.	[Reserved for Future Use]			(D)
				(D)
2.	Tandem Switched Transport, per Minute			(T)
	Zone 1	\$0.000103	(R)	
	Zone 2	\$0.000103	(R)	
	Zone 3	\$0.000105	(R)	
	Zone 4	\$0.000107	(R)	
	Zone 5	\$0.000109	(R)	(T)
3.	Tandem Switched Transport, per Minute, per Mile			
	Zone 1	\$0.000013	(R)	(T)
	Zone 2	\$0.000014	(R)	
	Zone 3	\$0.000014	(R)	
	Zone 4	\$0.000014	(R)	
	Zone 5	\$0.000014	(R)	(T)
4.	Tandem Switching, per Minute			
	Zone 1	\$0.001118	(I)	(T)
	Zone 2	\$0.001151	(I)	
	Zone 3	\$0.001155	(I)	
	Zone 4	\$0.001291	(I)	
	Zone 5	\$0.001856	(I)	(T)
5.	Transport Interconnection Charge, per Minute	\$0.000000		
6.	Common Transport Multiplexing (CMUX), per Minute			
	Zone 1	\$0.000015	(R)	(T)
	Zone 2	\$0.000017	(R)	
	Zone 3	\$0.000018	(R)	
	Zone 4	\$0.000018	(R)	
	Zone 5	\$0.000018	(R)	
7.	Common Trunk Port (CTP), per Minute	\$0.000371	(I)	(T)
8.	Host/Remote Transport Elements			
	a. Transport, per Minute	\$0.000313	(R)	
	b. Transport, per Minute, per Mile	\$0.000016	(R)	
	c. CMUX, per Minute	\$0.000000		
	d. CTP, per Minute	\$0.000371	(I)	

<sup>1</sup> See Section 7.2

TALK AMERICA INC.

EXHIBIT B

PROPOSED REVISED ACCESS TARIFF PAGES

CARRIER-TO-CARRIER SERVICES

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**SECTION 5 - SWITCHED ACCESS RATES** *continued*

**5.4 Rates and Charges** *continued*

**5.4.2 Switched Transport**

C. Tandem-Switched Transport

1. [Reserved for Future Use]
2. Tandem Switched Transport, per Minute
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  - Zone 2 \$0.000103
  - Zone 3 \$0.000105
  - Zone 4 \$0.000107
  - Zone 5 \$0.000109
3. Tandem Switched Transport, per Minute, per Mile
  - Zone 1 \$0.000013
  - Zone 2 \$0.000014
  - Zone 3 \$0.000014
  - Zone 4 \$0.000014
  - Zone 5 \$0.000014
4. Tandem Switching, per Minute
  - Zone 1 \$0.001084 (R)
  - Zone 2 \$0.001116 (R)
  - Zone 3 \$0.001120 (R)
  - Zone 4 \$0.001252 (R)
  - Zone 5 \$0.001800 (R)
5. Transport Interconnection Charge, per Minute \$0.000000
6. Common Transport Multiplexing (CMUX), per Minute
  - Zone 1 \$0.000015
  - Zone 2 \$0.000017
  - Zone 3 \$0.000018
  - Zone 4 \$0.000018
  - Zone 5 \$0.000018
7. Common Trunk Port (CTP), per Minute \$0.000371
8. Host/Remote Transport Elements
  - a. Transport, per Minute \$0.000313
  - b. Transport, per Minute, per Mile \$0.000016
  - c. CMUX, per Minute \$0.000000
  - d. CTP, per Minute \$0.000371

<sup>1</sup> See Section 7.2

TALK AMERICA INC.

EXHIBIT C

DESCRIPTION OF CHANGES AND CUSTOMERS AFFECTED

This filing is submitted in compliance with the second phase of the FCC 2011 Report and Order in WC Docket No. 07-135, et al, In the Matter of Establishing Just and Reasonable Rates for Local Exchange Carriers and Ohio Case No. 10-2387-TP-COI and reduces the Tandem Switching per minute rate to mirror the rates listed in the Company's interstate access tariff. The Company respectfully requests this filing to become effective July 1, 2013.

TALK AMERICA INC.

EXHIBIT D

CUSTOMER NOTICE

Not Applicable

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

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Summary: Tariff Revision to Ohio Access Services Tariff in Case Number 10-2387-TP-COI electronically filed by Ms. Iris D. Mennens on behalf of Talk America Inc.