



June 7, 2013

Ms. Barcy F. McNeal, Secretary
Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
180 East Broad Street, 11th Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793

Re: *In the Matter of the Commission's Investigation into Intrastate Carrier
Access Reform Pursuant to Senate Bill 162, Case No. 10-2387-TP-COI*

Dear Ms. McNeal:

On July 1, 2011, the Office of the Ohio Consumers' Counsel ("OCC") filed Supplemental Comments in this proceeding. The Supplemental Comments contained information asserted to be confidential by the Ohio Small Incumbent Local Exchange Carriers Group ("SLEC Group"),¹ Frontier of Michigan, CenturyTel of Ohio, Inc. dba CenturyLink ("CenturyTel") and Windstream Ohio, Inc., Windstream Western Reserve, Inc. (collectively, "Windstream"). Although OCC might not agree that the information is in fact confidential, OCC obtained the information through protective agreements with the SLEC Group, Frontier of Michigan, CenturyTel and Windstream. Subject to OCC's rights under the protective agreements and in compliance with the rules of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, OCC filed the Supplemental Comments under seal, along with a motion for a protective order. OCC also filed a public version of the Supplemental Comments with the alleged confidential information redacted.

On May 9, 2013, the Attorney Examiner for this proceeding issued an Entry. The Entry gave parties who had sought confidential treatment of information in this proceeding 30 days to file a letter informing the PUCO as to whether their requests for confidential treatment still require a ruling or whether the information can now be released into the public record. It is OCC's understanding that the Entry applies to OCC's motion for protection.

¹ The "SLEC Group" includes: Arcadia Telephone Company, Arthur Mutual Telephone Company, Ayersville Telephone Company, Bascom Mutual Telephone Company, Benton Ridge Telephone Company, Buckland Telephone Company, Champaign Telephone Company, Chillicothe Telephone, Columbus Grove Telephone Company, Conneaut Telephone Company, Continental Telephone Company, Doylestown Telephone Company, Farmers Mutual Telephone Company, Fort Jennings Telephone Company, Germantown Independent Telephone Company, Glandorf Telephone Company, Kalida Telephone Company, Inc., Little Miami Communications Corporation, McClure Telephone Company, Middle Point Home Telephone Company, Minford Telephone Company, New Knoxville Telephone Company, Nova Telephone Company, Oakwood Telephone Company, Orwell Telephone Company, Ottoville Mutual Telephone Company, Pattersonville Telephone Company, Ridgeville Telephone Company, Sherwood Mutual Telephone Association, Sycamore Telephone Company, Telephone Service Company, Vanlue Telephone Company, Vaughnsville Company and Wabash Mutual Telephone.

OCC has contacted counsel for the SLEC Group, Frontier of Michigan, CenturyTel and Windstream, and they have informed OCC that they still seek confidential treatment of the protected information contained in OCC's Supplemental Comments. All of these companies have filed letters in response to the May 9 Entry, asking the PUCO to protect the information.

Thus, under the terms of OCC's protective agreements with these companies, and in response to the May 9 Entry in this proceeding, the PUCO should rule on OCC's motion for protection. This request should not be construed as OCC's agreement that the information is confidential, and this request does not affect OCC's rights under the confidentiality agreements with these companies.

If you have questions, please feel free to call me at 614-466-7964 or e-mail me (etter@occ.state.oh.us).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Terry L. Etter".

Terry L. Etter, Counsel of Record
Assistant Consumers' Counsel

cc: Jeff Jones
Jay Agranoff
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