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October 28, 2013

Via Electronic Filing

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio 180 East Broad Street Columbus, OH 43215 – 3793

RE: Windstream Ohio, Inc. Revisions to General Exchange Tariff No. 2

Dear Sir or Madam:

Windstream Ohio, Inc. hereby submits revisions, via electronic filing, to add language to the General Exchange Tariff No. 2 relating to Advanced Payments.

Should you have any questions please feel free to contact me at (585) 340-2709, or by email at Katherine.Hoagland@Windstream.com.

Sincerely,

/s/ Katherine Hoagland

Katherine Hoagland Tariff Analyst

Attachments

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 Windstream Ohio, Inc. to add Advanced Payment regulations	TRF Docket No. 90	<u>ATA</u>
Name of Registrant(s) <u>Windstream Ohio, Inc.</u>		
DBA(s) of Registrant(s)		
Address of Registrant(s) 4001 Rodney Parham Road, Little Ro	ock, Arkansas 72212	
Company Web Address <u>www.Windstream.com</u>		
Regulatory Contact Person(s) <u>Chris Cranford</u>	Phone F	ax
Regulatory Contact Person's Email Address christopher.l.cran	ford@windstream.com	
Contact Person for Annual Report Sandra Blade	P	hone
Address (if different from above)		
Consumer Contact Information <u>Yvette Gadson</u>	P	hone
Address (if different from above)		
Motion for protective order included with filing? ☐ Yes ☒ Motion for waiver(s) filed affecting this case? ☐ Yes ☒ No		eframe.]
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.
С	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 Other (explain below)	⊠ For Pro	fit ILEC	☐ Not For I	Profit ILEC	CI	LEC	
Change terms & condition existing BLES	ATA 1-		ATA <u>1-6</u> (Auto 30 day		ATA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (Auto 30 days)			
Introduce non-recurring ch surcharge, or fee to BLES	iarge,						ΓΑ <u>1-6-14(H)</u> 30 days)	
Introduce or Increase Late	Payment	ATA <u>1</u> -(Auto 30 da		ATA <u>1-6</u> (Auto 30 day			ΓΑ <u>1-6-14(I)</u> 30 days)	
Revisions to BLES Cap.		ZTA <u>1-0</u> (0 day Notic	e)					
Introduce BLES or expand service area (calling area)	local	(0 day Notice		O day Notice			TA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> Notice)	
Notice of no obligation to facilities and provide BLE	construct S	ZTA <u>1-0</u> (0 day Notic		ZTA <u>1-6-</u> (0 day Notice				
Change BLES Rates	TRF <u>1-6</u> (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 flo	BLS <u>1-6-14</u> (C)(1)(c) (Auto 30 days)							
Change in boundary		ACB <u>1-</u> (Auto 14 da)		ACB <u>1-6</u> (Auto 14 day				
Expand service operation a	area						RF <u>1-6-08(G)</u> (0 day)	
BLES withdrawal							TA <u>1-6-25(B)</u> Notice)	
Other* (explain)								
Section I – Part II – Cu	stomer Not	ification Of	ferings Pur	suant to Chapt	er <u>4901:1-6-7</u>	OAC		
Type of Notice	Direc	t Mail	Bill	Insert	Bill Nota	tion	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	
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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 <u>1-6-</u> 09
form	* (Auto 30- day)	*(Auto 30 day)	*(Auto 30 day)	(Auto 30 day)	*(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		ABN <u>1-6-26</u> (Auto 30 days)	ABN <u>1-6-26</u> (Auto 30 days)
Change of Official Name *	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)
Change in Ownership *	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)
Merger *	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)
Transfer a Certificate *	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)
Transaction for transfer or lease of property, plant or business *	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)

^{*} 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> (Non-Auto)	ARB <u>1-7-09</u> (Non-Auto)
Introduce or change c-t-c service tariffs,	ATA <u>1-7-14</u> (Auto 30 day)	ATA <u>1-7-14</u> (Auto 30 day)
Request rural carrier exemption, rural carrier suspension or modification	UNC <u>1-7-04</u> or 05 (Non-Auto)	
Changes in rates, terms & conditions to Pole	☐ UNC 1-7-23(B)	
Attachment, Conduit Occupancy and Rights-of-Way.	(Non-Auto)	
Wireless Providers See 4901:1-6-24	RCC [Registration &	NAG [Interconnection
**************************************	Change in Operations]	Agreement or

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,	, and am authorized to make this statement on its behalf.						
Windstream Communications (Name)							
Please Check ALL that apply:							
☑ I attest that these tariffs comply with all applicable rules for the state of Ohi imply Commission approval and that the Commission's rules as modified contradictory provisions in our tariff. We will fully comply with the rules of the can result in various penalties, including the suspension of our certificate to open	and clarified from time to time, supersede any he state of Ohio and understand that noncompliance						
☐ I attest that customer notices accompanying this filing form were sent to affe accordance with Rule 4901:1-6-7, Ohio Administrative Code.	cted customers, as specified in Section II, in						
I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.							
Executed on (Date) October 28, 2013 at (Location) Fairport, NY 14450 *(Signature and Title)	Avalist						
 This affidavit is required for every tariff-affecting filing. It may be sign authorized agent of the applicant. 	ned by counsel or an officer of the applicant, or an						
<u>VERIFICATION</u>							
I, Katherine Hoagland verify that I have utilized the Telecommun by the Commission and that all of the information submitted here, and all additionable case, is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. *(Signature and Title) *Verification is required for every filing. It may be signed by counsel or an office of the signed by co							

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

(Current Tariff Sheets)

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S2.3 <u>Establishment and Furnishing of Basic Local Exchange Service</u> (Continued)

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- B. Termination of Service by the Customer
 - Service may be terminated at any time upon reasonable notice from the customer to the Company. Upon such termination the customer shall be responsible for the payment of all charges due. This includes all charges due for the period of service which has been rendered plus any unexpired portion of an initial service period or applicable termination charges or both.

S2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances

S2.4.1 Deposits

- A. The Company will comply with the Commission's Rule 4901:1-6-12. Deposit requirements shall be uniformly applied to all residential and small business customers who are assessed a deposit. Such deposit shall conform to the following:
 - Deposits are not to exceed two hundred thirty percent of a reasonable estimate one month's service charges.
- B. The fact that a deposit has been made in no way relieves the applicant or customer from complying with the Company's regulations as to advance payments or constitutes a waiver or modification of the regular practices of the Company providing for the discontinuance of service for nonpayment of any sums due the Company.

S2.4.2 Payment for Service

- A. The Company will endeavor to mail its bills for telephone service on or before the same date each month.
- B. The customer is responsible for payment of all charges in conjunction with the service furnished him/her including "collect", "third number", or "special billed" long distance messages which have been accepted at the customer's telephone and long distance messages originating at the customer's station.
- C. The customer shall pay on a monthly basis in advance all charges for service and shall pay on demand all charges for long distance service. Special billing arrangements may be established for services provided to certain governmental agencies.
- D. For the purpose of computing charges for facilities, and services, except for allowances for interruptions in service, every month shall be considered to have thirty (30) days.
- E. If the bill is not paid within fourteen (14) consecutive days following the date of the bill, the account will be considered delinquent.

Filed under authority of Order Order No. 11-1010-TP-ORD Issued by the Public Utilities Commission of OhioVice President

Issued By:

Little Rock, Arkansas

Exhibit B

(Proposed Tariff Sheets)

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Advanced Payment

An applicant for service or facilities may be required to pay in advance of installation an amount not to exceed applicable service connection, installation, or other non-recurring charges plus charges for one month of service. The amount of any advance payment collected is credited to the customer's account after service is established. Where construction charges are applicable, the payment thereof may be required before construction begins.

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Exhibit C

This	tariff	revision	seeks	to	add	language	relating	to	Advanced	Payments	for	new/	future
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Exhibit D

This tariff filing is only applicable to new and future customers.	As such,	there are no	o affected
customers to notify.			

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Summary: Tariff Application of Windstream Ohio, Inc. to add new tariff language. electronically filed by Chris Cranford on behalf of Windstream Ohio, Inc.