

*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 Buckland Telephone ) TRF Docket No. 90-5008-TP-TRF  
Company to Obtain BLES Pricing Flexibility )  
 ) Case No. 14 - 1268 - **TP** - BLS  
 ) NOTE: Unless you have reserved a Case #, leave the "Case No" fields  
 ) BLANK.

Name of Registrant(s) Buckland Telephone Company  
DBA(s) of Registrant(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
Address of Registrant(s) 105 South Main Street, Buckland, OH 45819  
Company Web Address www.btccom.net  
Regulatory Contact Person(s) Douglas G. Place Phone 419-657-2222 Fax 419-657-2000  
Regulatory Contact Person's Email Address doug@ohiolink.net  
Contact Person for Annual Report Douglas G. Place Phone 419-657-2222  
Address (if different from above) \_\_\_\_\_  
Consumer Contact Information Douglas G. Place Phone 419-657-2222  
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](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 checked="" 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 <a href="#">1-6-14(H)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <a href="#">1-6-14(H)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <a href="#">1-6-14(H)</a> (Auto 30 days)
Introduce non-recurring charge, surcharge, or fee to BLES			<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <a href="#">1-6-14(H)</a> (Auto 30 days)
Introduce or Increase Late Payment	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <a href="#">1-6-14(I)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <a href="#">1-6-14(I)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <a href="#">1-6-14(I)</a> (Auto 30 days)
Revisions to BLES Cap.	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA <a href="#">1-6-14(F)</a> (0 day Notice)		
Introduce BLES or expand local service area (calling area)	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA <a href="#">1-6-14(H)</a> (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA <a href="#">1-6-14(H)</a> (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA <a href="#">1-6-14(H)</a> (0 day Notice)
Notice of no obligation to construct facilities and provide BLES	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA <a href="#">1-6-27(C)</a> (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA <a href="#">1-6-27(C)</a> (0 day Notice)	
Change BLES Rates	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF <a href="#">1-6-14(F)</a> (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF <a href="#">1-6-14(F)(4)</a> (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF <a href="#">1-6-14(G)</a> (0 day Notice)
To obtain BLES pricing flexibility	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BLS <a href="#">1-6-14(C)(1)(c)</a> (Auto 30 days)		
Change in boundary	<input type="checkbox"/> ACB <a href="#">1-6-32</a> (Auto 14 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACB <a href="#">1-6-32</a> (Auto 14 days)	
Expand service operation area			<input type="checkbox"/> TRF <a href="#">1-6-08(G)</a> (0 day)
BLES withdrawal			<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA <a href="#">1-6-25(B)</a> (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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> 30-day Notice	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Date Notice Sent: July 15, 2014</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	Telecommunications Service Provider Not Offering Local	CESTC	CETC
* See Supplemental form	<input type="checkbox"/> ACE <a href="#">1-6-08</a> * (Auto 30- day)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACE <a href="#">1-6-08</a> * (Auto 30 day)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACE <a href="#">1-6-08</a> * (Auto 30 day)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACE <a href="#">1-6-10</a> (Auto 30 day)	<input type="checkbox"/> UNC <a href="#">1-6-09</a> * (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 <a href="#">1-6-26</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ABN <a href="#">1-6-26</a> (Auto 30 days)
Change of Official Name *	<input type="checkbox"/> ACN <a href="#">1-6-29(B)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACN <a href="#">1-6-29(B)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO <a href="#">1-6-29(C)</a> (0 day Notice)
Change in Ownership *	<input type="checkbox"/> ACO <a href="#">1-6-29(E)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACO <a href="#">1-6-29(E)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO <a href="#">1-6-29(C)</a> (0 day Notice)
Merger *	<input type="checkbox"/> AMT <a href="#">1-6-29(E)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> AMT <a href="#">1-6-29(E)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO <a href="#">1-6-29(C)</a> (0 day Notice)
Transfer a Certificate *	<input type="checkbox"/> ATC <a href="#">1-6-29(B)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATC <a href="#">1-6-29(B)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO <a href="#">1-6-29(C)</a> (0 day Notice)
Transaction for transfer or lease of property, plant or business *	<input type="checkbox"/> ATR <a href="#">1-6-29(B)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATR <a href="#">1-6-29(B)</a> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO <a href="#">1-6-29(C)</a> (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 <a href="#">1-7-07</a> (Auto 90 day)	<input type="checkbox"/> NAG <a href="#">1-7-07</a> (Auto 90 day)
Request for Arbitration	<input type="checkbox"/> ARB <a href="#">1-7-09</a> (Non-Auto)	<input type="checkbox"/> ARB <a href="#">1-7-09</a> (Non-Auto)
Introduce or change c-t-c service tariffs,	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <a href="#">1-7-14</a> (Auto 30 day)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <a href="#">1-7-14</a> (Auto 30 day)
Request rural carrier exemption, rural carrier suspension or modification	<input type="checkbox"/> UNC <a href="#">1-7-04</a> or 05 (Non-Auto)	
Changes in rates, terms & conditions to Pole Attachment, Conduit Occupancy and Rights- of-Way.	<input type="checkbox"/> UNC <a href="#">1-7-23(B)</a> (Non-Auto)	
<b>Wireless Providers</b> See <a href="#">4901:1-6-24</a>	<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 officer/agent of the applicant corporation, Buckland Telephone Company, and am authorized to make this statement on its behalf.

Douglas G. Place, General Manager  
(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) July 16, 2014 at (Location) Buckland, Ohio

\*(Signature and Title) /s/ Douglas G. Place (Date) July 16, 2014  
General Manager

- *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, Douglas G. Place 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) /s/ Douglas G. Place General Manager (Date) July 16, 2014

*\*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.*

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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***

**Exhibit A**

**Existing Affected Tariff Pages**

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EXCHANGE RATES

The following identified service rates entitle the subscribers of telephone service to call, without additional charge, the subscribers of Buckland Exchange, the Buckland Telephone Company, the subscribers of the Cridersville and Wapakoneta Exchanges, the Telephone Service Company and the subscribers of Lima Exchange, the United Telephone Company of Ohio d/b/a Century Link.

The following listed rates for exchange telephone service shall apply within the exchange area:

<u>Business</u>	<u>Monthly Rate</u>	<u>Maximum Rate</u>
Individual Access Line, primary line.....	\$16.22	\$16.22
Semi-Public Paystation.....	\$20.00	
Coin Supervision.....	\$ 7.20	
<u>Residence</u>	<u>Monthly Rate</u>	<u>Maximum Rate</u>
Individual Access Line, ea. line.....	\$10.74	\$10.74

EXPANDED LOCAL CALLING AREA

All rates and charges for services and conditions applicable to the St. Marys, Spencerville and Lima exchanges will be identical to those of the Buckland Exchange. Service will be facilities based and available where facilities permit.

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MISCELLANEOUS RATES AND CHARGES

1. Tele-Tone Touch Calling

This service more commonly known as pushbutton dialing will be offered to subscribers in the Buckland exchange area. There will be no distinction between business and/or residence rates.

Tel-tone service – main station ..... \$1.50 per month

All other change charges will apply as set forth on other pages of this tariff.

2. Per Call Number Privacy (Per Call Blocking)

Enables customers to prevent the disclosure of their telephone number on a per call basis to the called party. The disclosure of the calling party's number can be prevented on a per call basis by dialing a preassigned access code before making a call. This action must be repeated each time a call is made to prevent the disclosure of the calling party's telephone number. Per Call Blocking will only operate on calls originating and terminating within suitably-equipped offices, or similarly equipped offices of interconnecting Local Exchange Companies. If the called party has a display device, a privacy indication will appear instead of the calling party's telephone number. Per Call Blocking will be provided at no charge.

3. Late Payment Charges

A. Residential and Business Late Payment Charges

A late payment charge will be applied to residential and business customer bills which remain unpaid at least nineteen days after the postmark on the customer's bill. This charge will be the greater of either \$5.00, or an amount that equals 1.5% of the unpaid charges which are past due; except that the charge is not applicable as specified in subsection B. below or until the amount past due exceeds \$21.00.

Upon customer request, each residential customer shall be permitted a one-time waiver of a late payment charge in cases where the customer has already paid the monthly bill for which the late payment charge was applied.

B. The late payment charge does not apply to:

1. Amounts which are in dispute at the time the late payment charge would otherwise be applied.
2. Federal excise tax or any other taxes levied by law directly on the customer.

**Exhibit B**

**Proposed Revised Tariff Pages**

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The following listed rates for exchange telephone service shall apply within the exchange area:

<u>Business</u>	<u>Monthly Rate</u>	<u>Maximum Rate</u>	<u>Anniversary Date</u>	
Individual Access Line, primary line .....	\$18.47	\$18.47	September 1, 2014	(I)
Semi-Public Paystation .....	\$20.00			
Coin Supervision .....	\$ 7.20			
<u>Residence</u>	<u>Monthly Rate</u>	<u>Maximum Rate</u>	<u>Anniversary Date</u>	
Individual Access Line, each line .....	\$12.99	\$12.99	September 1, 2014	(I)

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MISCELLANEOUS RATES AND CHARGES

1. Tele-Tone Touch Calling

This service more commonly known as pushbutton dialing will be offered to subscribers in the Buckland exchange area and is included in the Individual Access Line rates set forth in Section 1 of this tariff. Customers with rotary dial service will be grandfathered and will receive a credit of \$1.00 toward their monthly Individual Access Line rate. However, any subsequent change to service made by such a grandfathered customer will result in the loss of the grandfathering exception and will require that customer to upgrade to Tele-Tone Touch Calling service.

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2. Per Call Number Privacy (Per Call Blocking)

Enables customers to prevent the disclosure of their telephone number on a per call basis to the called party. The disclosure of the calling party's number can be prevented on a per call basis by dialing a preassigned access code before making a call. This action must be repeated each time a call is made to prevent the disclosure of the calling party's telephone number. Per Call Blocking will only operate on calls originating and terminating within suitably-equipped offices, or similarly equipped offices of interconnecting Local Exchange Companies. If the called party has a display device, a privacy indication will appear instead of the calling party's telephone number. Per Call Blocking will be provided at no charge.

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### **Exhibit C**

#### **Narrative Summarizing Change(s)**

In this application, Buckland Telephone Company requests BLES pricing flexibility in order that it may increase its BLES rates for both business and residential customers in the Buckland exchange, as summarized in Exhibit B, and to integrate and reduce its Tele-Tone Touch Calling rates into its individual access line rates.

In the FCC USF/ICC Transformation Order (FCC 11-161), the FCC states that they want to avoid situations where some customers 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, Buckland Telephone Company is required to have local rates that are comparable to the national urban average.

Integrating and reducing Tele-Tone Touch Calling rates into Individual Access Line rates will eliminate a line item charge on most customers' bills, which results in a simpler bill. Currently, seventeen (17) customers remain on rotary dial service. Those customers will be grandfathered and will receive a credit each month of the Tele-Tone Touch Calling rate that will now be included in all customers' individual access line rates. However, upon any change to service, those customers must upgrade to Tele-Tone Touch Calling service. The Applicant will inform grandfathered customers at the time they make such a change to their service that the change will result in an upgrade to Tele-Tone Touch Calling service and of the subsequent loss of the credit.

## **Exhibit D**

### **Customer Notice and Affidavit**

The following customer notice was provided to customers on July 14, 2014. This notice was also sent to the Office of Consumers' Counsel and to the Commission's electronic mailbox (Telecomm-Rule07@puc.stte.oh.us) no less than thirty days prior to the rate increase:

Effective September 1, 2014, Buckland Telephone Company will implement a revised rate schedule for basic local exchange service as follows:

<u>Buckland Exchange</u>	<u>Current Monthly Rate</u>	<u>New Monthly Rate</u>	<u>New Monthly Rate With Touch Calling*</u>
Business Primary Access Line	\$16.22	\$17.47	\$18.47
Residence Primary Access Line	\$10.74	\$11.99	\$12.99

The new rates, which will become effective on September 1, 2014, represent an increase of \$1.25 above the current rates for those services.

\*At the same time, the rate for Tele-Tone Touch Calling Service (Touch Calling) will be reduced to \$1.00 and included in the access line charge. It will no longer appear as a separate line item on the monthly bill. Customers with rotary dial service will be "grandfathered" and will receive a credit of \$1.00 for the Touch Calling amount. However, any change made by a customer with rotary dial service will result in an upgrade to Touch Calling and the loss of the credit.

Many rural telephone companies, including Buckland Telephone Company, receive support from the Federal Universal Service Fund. New rules reduce such support if a telephone company's local rates are below the national average. The \$1.25 increase is necessary to bring our local rates more in line with the national average and to avoid a reduction in our Federal Universal Service Fund support.

Our last increase in local rates was more than 30 years ago.

If you have any questions about the revised rates, please call us at 419-657-2222.

## Affidavit

I, Douglas G. Place, am an authorized agent of the applicant corporation, Buckland Telephone Company, and am authorized to make this statement on its behalf. I attest that the customer notice accompanying this affidavit was sent to the affected customers as a bill insert on July 14, 2014, in accordance with Rule 4901:1-6-07, Ohio Administrative Code. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on: July 16, 2014

At: Buckland, Ohio

Signature: 

**Exhibit E**  
**Demonstration of Alternative Providers**

Pursuant to R.C. 4927.12(C)(3)(a) and Ohio Administrative Code 4901:1-6-14, Buckland Telephone Company may not increase its BLES rates for an exchange area unless it first applies to the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio and the Commission determines that the application demonstrates that two or more alternative providers offer, in the exchange area, competing service to the BLES service offered by the company, regardless of the technology and facilities used by the alternative provider, the alternative provider's location, and the extent of the alternative provider's service area within the exchange area. An alternative provider, under R.C. 4927.12(C)(3)(a), includes a telephone company, including a wireless service provider, a telecommunications carrier, and a provider of internet protocol-enabled services, including voice over internet protocol.

The Commission has not previously determined that Buckland Telephone Company's exchange qualified for alternative regulation of BLES.

In accordance with R.C. 4927.12(C)(3)(a), the attached information demonstrates that two or more alternative providers offer competing service to the BLES service offered by Buckland Telephone Company in its exchange, namely AT&T Mobility, T-Mobile, Verizon Wireless and WildBlue.



Shop

myAT&T

Support

Search



Wireless Bundles Digital TV Internet Home Phone U-verse Digital Life Special Offers Shopping Help

Home / Shop / Wireless / Mobile Share Value Plans

My Wireless Cart

AT&T MOBILE SHARE® VALUE PLANS

Introducing our  
best-ever pricing

\*Includes unlimited messaging from the U.S. Messaging capabilities and avail. vary by country. See messaging details.

PLUS  
UNLIMITED  
MESSAGING TO  
SELECT  
COUNTRIES\*

Existing Customers

Check to see which Mobile Share Value plan is right for you.

Log In

How It Works

Family Pricing

Individual Pricing

Data Only

FAQs

## Our best-ever pricing for individuals

Our Mobile Share Value plans for individuals give you:

- Lots of data at an affordable rate
- Use your device as a mobile hotspot
- Now includes unlimited messaging from the U.S. to select countries!2
- Add 50GB of free cloud storage with AT&T Locker™ – Make sure your photos are safe and secure (data rates may apply)3

Find out more about AT&T Locker >

### No Annual Service Contract Pricing\*\*

1 Smartphone Line  
Includes 2GB of data  
and Unlimited Talk & Text

\$65

Add a tablet for \$10/mo.

BUCKLAND, OH 45819

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Wireless Coverage

Store Locations

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## Wireless Coverage Type

## Domestic

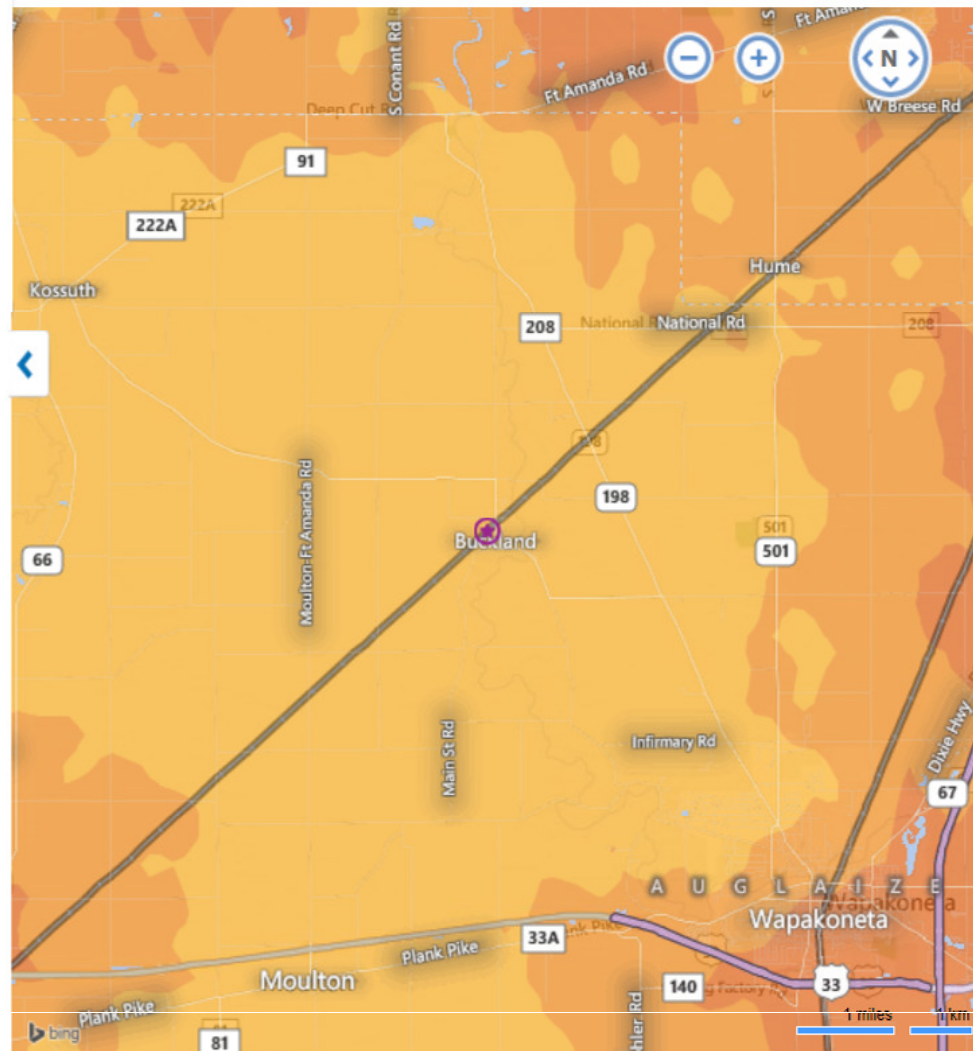
- ☒ Voice
- ☐ Data
- ☐ GoPhone® Pay As You Go / Wireless Home Phone Prepaid
- ☐ GoPhone® Pick Your Plan

## International

- ☐ Voice
- ☐ Data
- ☐ Discount Data

## Domestic Wireless Voice Coverage

This map shows wireless voice coverage in the United States, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands.



Legend

Your search

Best

Good

Moderate

Partner

Requires 3G Handset

[Learn more about legend](#)



# Simple Choice Plan

Stay connected on our super-fast nationwide network.



FAMILY



INDIVIDUAL



MOBILE INTERNET

## Choosing a plan has never been this simple.

At T-Mobile, simple means one plan. With our Simple Choice Plan, every line gets:

- Unlimited talk, text & data while on our network with no overages. Ever.
- Up to 1 GB of 4G LTE data on the fastest nationwide 4G LTE network
- NEW: Unlimited music streaming on services like Pandora, iHeartRadio and more that doesn't count against your 4G LTE data
- Unlimited international data & text in **120+ countries and destinations** PLUS unlimited international texting from the U.S. to virtually anywhere\*
- No annual service contracts

Fastest nationwide 4G LTE network based on download speeds.

## Add more 4G LTE data to keep up with you.

Your plan already comes with up to 1 GB of 4G LTE data while on our

Selected Plan

\$ **50** per month

Plus taxes, fees and monthly device payment ⓘ

- Unlimited talk, text & data while on our network
- Up to 1 GB of 4G LTE data (Speeds reduced after 1 GB)
- Unlimited data & text in 120+ countries & destinations

**SELECT THIS PLAN**  
AND SHOP FOR A PHONE

Get up to \$650 per line when you  
trade-in your device & switch >

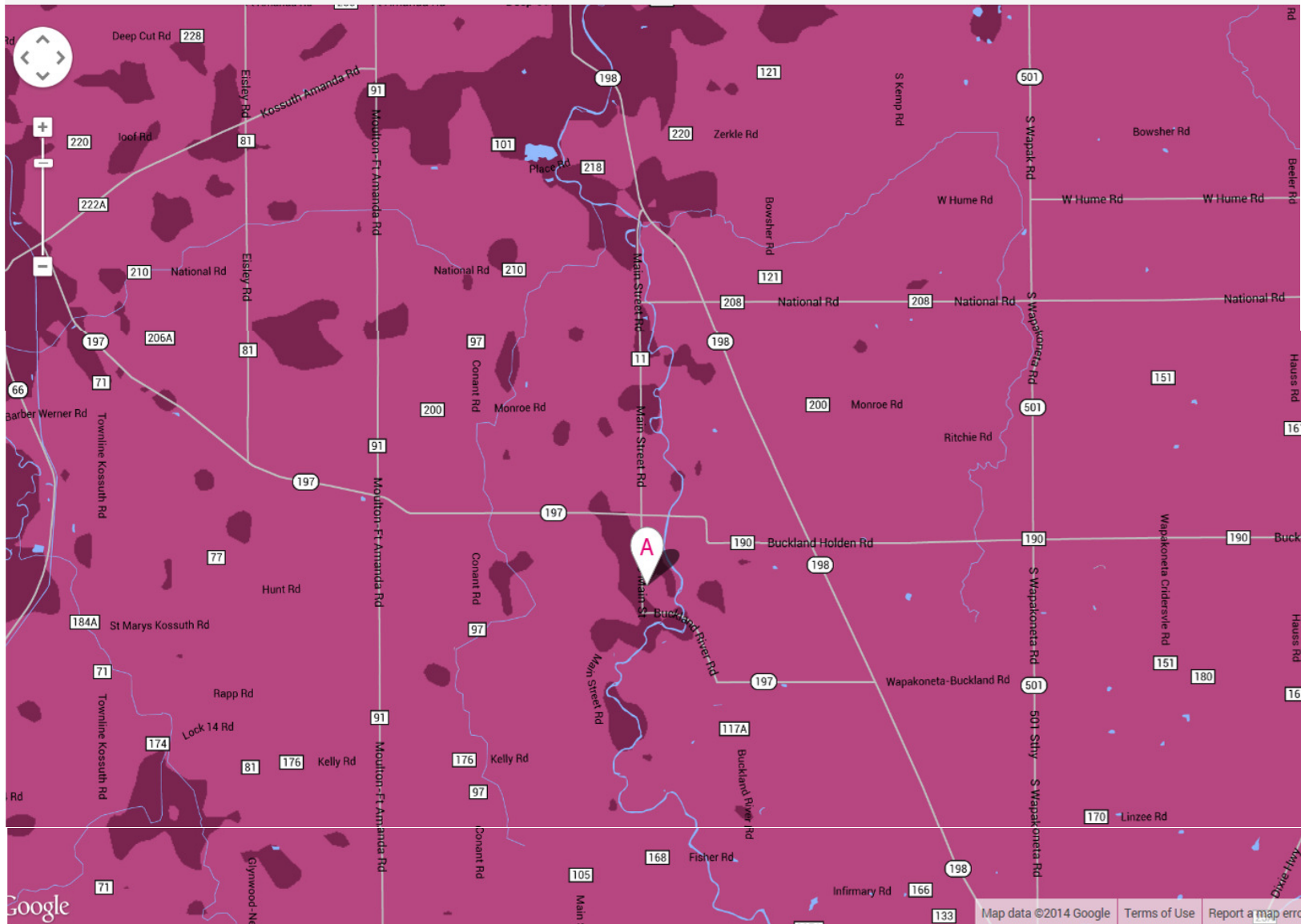


105 S. MAIN ST, BUCKLAND, OH

CHECK COVERAGE

Map a route >

Map multiple locations >



Excellent

Very Strong

Good

Satisfactory

2G

Service Partner

No Service

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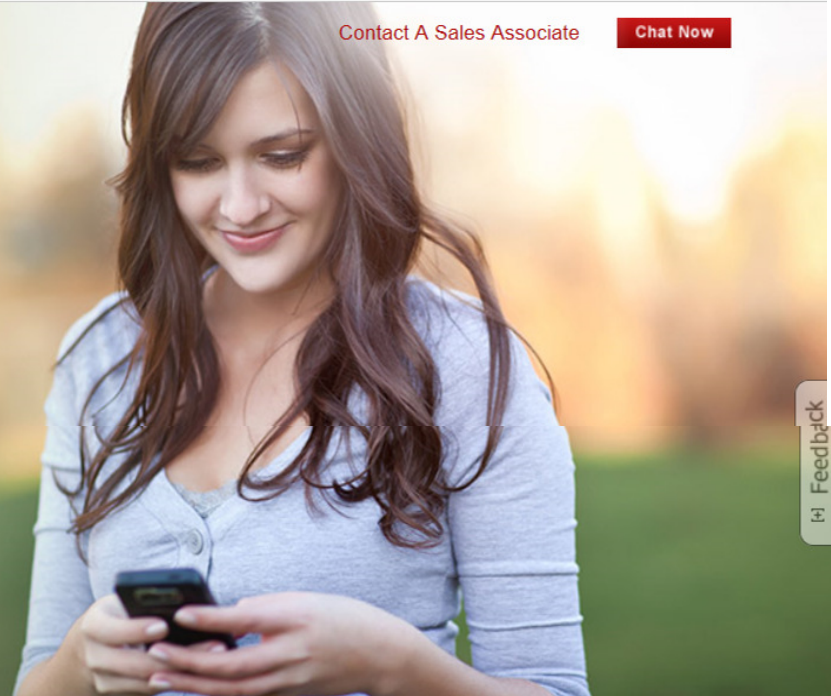
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Chat Now

NEW  
**SINGLE LINE PLAN**  
Starting at  
**\$60**  
Monthly Access  
DATA PLAN | UNLIMITED  
TALK & TEXT



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## Choose your SINGLE LINE PLAN

Connect to the nation's largest 4G LTE network when you choose either a 1GB or 2GB Smartphone Single Line plan.

Shop Smartphones

EXISTING CUSTOMERS: [VIEW OUR FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS TO FIND OUT HOW TO GET THIS PLAN >](#)

Subject to customer agreement and credit approval. Plans not eligible for additional discounts.

MONTHLY ACCESS	\$60 (\$50 WITH EDGE)	\$75 (\$65 WITH EDGE)
Voice & Text Allowance	Unlimited	Unlimited
Data Allowance	1 GB	2 GB
Data Overage	\$15/500 MB	\$15/1 GB

FIND A DETAILED COVERAGE MAP OF YOUR AREA [^](#)

## Coverage Locator

See detailed information about coverage in your area by searching this map.

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or

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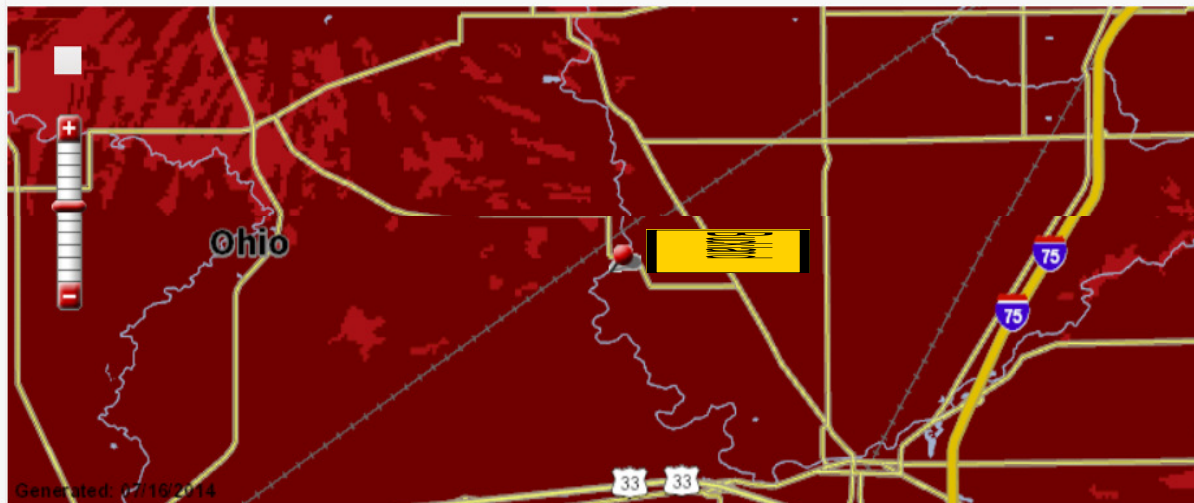
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### Map Legend


 Verizon 4G LTE \*


 Verizon 4G LTE Extended \*\*


 Extended 4G LTE \*\*\*

 Verizon 3G

 Extended 3G

 Canada/Mexico 3G

 No Service

 VZW Store

Your ZIP Code is eligible for Exede12, our super fast broadband service.

45819

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INTERNET

LIMITED TIME OFFER

## Offer Details

- **SAVE \$120\*** during your first year with Internet and phone service bundle
- **FREE SETUP** including standard installation
- **12 FREE MONTHS** of antivirus software
- **3-YEAR Price Lock Guarantee**

 \* offer ends 8/09/2014. Click [here](#) for details & restrictions.

Two ways to order:

**Call (855) 627-2554**

or

[Click to Order Online](#)

## Which plan is right for you?

[Click here to use our plan selector tool.](#)

### EVOLUTION

#### UNLIMITED ACCESS

 Email & Web Pages  
**EVEN MORE DATA:**  
 5 GB for everything else

#### Early Bird Free Zone

 Unmetered access  
 to everything  
 3 a.m. - 8 a.m.

12 Mbps Download Speed

3 Mbps Upload Speed

 Good for those who want an unlimited plan for browsing web pages and using email, and who are light users of online video. [learn more](#)
**\$64.99/mo**

### CLASSIC 10

**10 GB** each month  
 Data Allowance for all uses

#### Late Night Free Zone

 Unmetered access  
 to everything  
 12 midnight - 5 a.m.

12 Mbps Download Speed

3 Mbps Upload Speed

Good for those who need a solid connection to the Internet for basic use, including some online video.

**\$49.99/mo**

### CLASSIC 15

**15 GB** each month  
 Data Allowance for all uses

#### Late Night Free Zone

 Unmetered access  
 to everything  
 12 midnight - 5 a.m.

12 Mbps Download Speed

3 Mbps Upload Speed

Good for those who watch moderate amounts of online video in addition to browsing web pages and using email.

**\$79.99/mo**

### CLASSIC 25

**25 GB** each month  
 Data Allowance for all uses

#### Late Night Free Zone

 Unmetered access  
 to everything  
 12 midnight - 5 a.m.

12 Mbps Download Speed

3 Mbps Upload Speed

Good for those who depend on the Internet for work and entertainment, and need a bigger data allowance for all uses.

**\$129.99/mo**

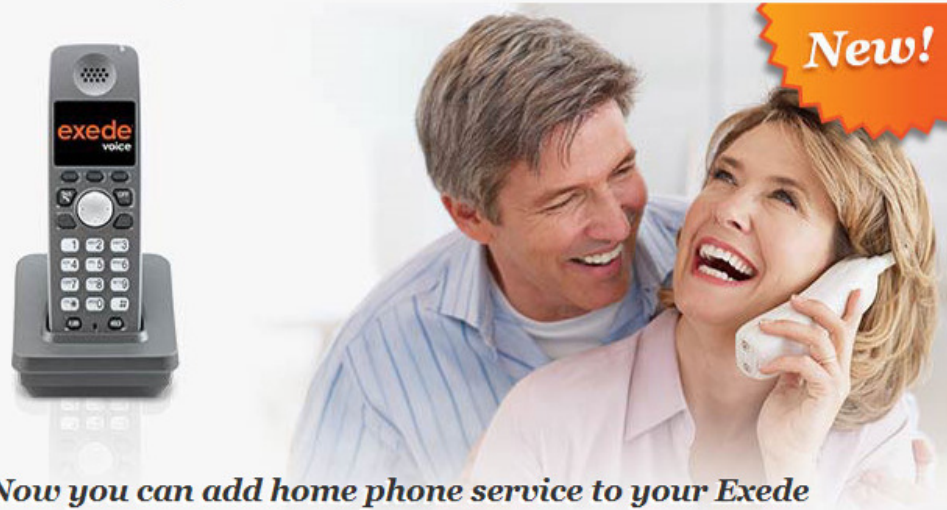
**Note** All plans require 24 month commitment and \$9.99/month equipment lease fee (or if prepaid, \$199.99 for 24 months.). Speeds are not guaranteed and fees and taxes may vary. Service is not available in all areas.

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# EXEDE VOICE

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## Introducing Exede Voice Home VoIP Phone Service



### *Now you can add home phone service to your Exede Internet service*

Exede voice is a new service offered by ViaSat that uses the same super-fast satellite space technology as Exede high-speed satellite internet. If you thought it couldn't get any better with internet provided by Brian the Alien, here's a curveball for you! As a customer, you can expect extremely high-quality phone service with Exede Voice—a great pair with your Exede internet service. The switch to our home phone plan will provide your business and your family with a seamless connection to your Exede service, grouping your phone and internet services together in a single account and bill. Your Exede Voice system will be connected to your modem, streamlining your services and providing reliable service for both phone and computer simultaneously. Most importantly, your Exede Voice service **will not count towards your data plan**, and you can both **browse the internet and talk on the phone at the same time**.

Our phone service designed and optimized specifically for the Exede satellite network.

- Unlimited local and long distance calling in the 50 United States — plus Canada
- Great call quality PLUS voicemail, call waiting, caller ID and many other popular features
- Exede Voice is optimized for the Exede network, unlike other VoIP services
- Use your existing phone number. In most cases, you can transfer your current phone number to Exede Voice or get a new phone number — your choice!



**\$19.99** /mo  
for the first 6 months  
\$29.99/mo thereafter

### HOW TO ORDER

Call customer care today at **855-627-2469**

## Why Exede Voice

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