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Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
Attention: Docketing Division
180 East Broad Street
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Via DIS

Re: First Communications, LLC
Case No. 15-1988-TP-ATR and TRF No. 90-9217-TP-TRF

Dear Ms. McNeal:

Enclosed please find the final tariff for filing in the above captioned matter for the Acquisition of Certain Assets and Customers of Comcast Phone of Ohio.

Please contact Patrick D. Crocker at (269) 381-8893 or Patrick@crockerlawfirm.com with any questions or concerns.

Very truly yours,

CROCKER & CROCKER

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "P. Crocker", written over a faint, larger version of the same signature.

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**LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICES TARIFF OF
FIRST COMMUNICATIONS, LLC
(FOR FORMER CUSTOMERS OF COMCAST PHONE OF OHIO,
LLC D/B/A CIMCO, A DIVISION OF COMCAST BUSINESS
SERVICES, ACQUIRED BY FIRST COMMUNICATIONS, LLC IN
2016)**

Regulations and Schedule of Local Exchange Charges Applicable to
Telecommunications Services Regulated by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

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1. APPLICATION OF TARIFF

1.1. GENERAL

This Tariff applies to the furnishing of Local Service only to former customers of Comcast Phone of Ohio, LLC d/b/a CIMCO, a Division of Comcast Business Services, whose customer accounts were acquired by First Communications, LLC (hereinafter referred to as the “Company”) in 2016. Service will be provided where facilities, including but not limited to billing and technical capabilities, are available.

The provision of this Local Service is subject to PUCO Rule 4901:1-6-12 regarding service requirements, and to the existing regulations, terms and conditions specified in this Tariff and in the Company’s other applicable Tariffs or Service Guides, which may be found on the Company’s website at www.firstcomm.com/tariffs and as revised, added to, or supplemented by superseding issues.

1.2. EXPLANATION OF REVISION MARKS

The following symbols will be used throughout this Tariff for purposes of revising the tariff as indicated below:

- C - To signify a regulation which has been changed
- D - To signify a rate or regulation which has been discontinued
- I - To signify a rate which has been increased
- M - To signify a move in the location of text
- N - To signify a new rate or regulation
- R - To signify a rate which has been reduced
- T - To signify a change in text that has not affected a change in either a rate or a regulation.

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1.3. DEFINITIONS

Certain terms used generally throughout this Tariff are defined below.

Carrier: A company certified by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (P.U.C.O.) to provide telecommunications services within Ohio.

Company: First Communications, LLC, the issuer of this Tariff.

Customer: A person, firm, corporation or other entity that is authorized by the Company to use the Company's telecommunications services included in this Tariff, is responsible for payment of charges included in this Tariff, and is responsible for compliance with the Company's Tariff regulations.

Exchange: A basic unit for the administration of communication service in a specified area, called the exchange area. It usually consists of one or more central offices together with the associated plant used in furnishing communication service in that area.

Monthly Charges: Charges which are assessed for services included within this Tariff on a recurring monthly basis. It can be assumed that all services offered within this Tariff are charged a monthly charge unless otherwise identified.

User: A Customer or any other person authorized by the Customer to use service provided under this Tariff.

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SECTION 2 - SERVICES

2.1. APPLICATION OF RATES

2.1.1. INTRODUCTION

The regulations set forth in this section govern the application of rates for services contained in other sections of this Tariff. An application for service, whether made orally, in writing, or by use of service, establishes a contract between the Company and the Customer pursuant to the terms and conditions included within this Tariff. Neither the contract nor any rights acquired thereunder may be assigned or in any manner transferred to a third party by the Customer, without the Company's written approval.

2.1.2. CHARGES BASED ON DURATION OF USE

Where charges for a service are specified based on the duration of use, such as the duration of a telephone call, the following rules apply:

- A. Calls are measured in durational increments identified for each service. All calls held for a fraction of a measurement increment are rounded-up to the next whole measurement unit.
- B. Timing on completed calls begins when the call is answered by the called party. Answering is determined by hardware answer supervision in all cases where this signaling is provided by the terminating local carrier and any intermediate carrier(s). Timing for operator service person-to-person calls starts with completion of the connection to the person called or an acceptable substitute, or to the PBX station called.
- C. Timing terminates on all calls when the calling party hangs up or the Company's network receives an off-hook signal from the terminating carrier.
- D. Calls originating in one time period and terminating in another will be billed in proportion to the rates in effect during different segments of the call and will be billed according to applicable eastern standard or eastern daylight savings time.

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2.1. APPLICATION OF RATES (CONT'D)

2.1.3. RATES BASED UPON DISTANCE

Where charges for a service are specified based upon distance, the following rules apply:

Distance between two points is measured as airline distance between the rate centers of the originating and terminating telephone lines. The rate center is a set or geographic coordinates, as references in the Local Exchange Routing Guide issued by Bellcore, associated with each NPA-NXX combination (where NPA is the area code and NXX is the first three digits of a seven-digit telephone number). Where there is no telephone number associated with an access line on the Company's network (such as a dedicated 800 or WATS access line), the Company will apply the rate center of the Customer's main billing telephone number. The airline distance between any two rate centers is determined as follows:

- A. Obtain the "V" (vertical) and "H" (horizontal) coordinates for each Rate Center from the above-referenced Bellcore document.
- B. Compute the difference between the "V" coordinates of the two rate centers; and the difference between the two "H" coordinates.
- C. Square each difference obtained in step (b) above.
- D. Add the square of the "V" difference and the square of the "H" difference obtained in step (c) above.
- E. Divide the sum of the squares by 10. Round to the next higher whole number if any fraction is obtained.
- F. Obtain the square root of the whole number result obtained above. Round to the next higher whole number if any fraction is obtained. This is the airline mileage.
- G. FORMULA =
$$\frac{(V1 - V2)^2 + (H1 - H2)^2}{10}$$

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2.2. SERVICE AREA

The Company's local exchange services are available only in the following geographic locations:

Verizon's service areas throughout Ohio.

The Company's service area description above in no way compels the Company to provide any service in an area where facilities or other technical factors limit the Company's ability to provide such services.

2.3. BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

2.3.1. GENERAL

Basic Local Exchange Service provides Customers with 1-3 local exchange service access lines with the ability to place calls to and receive calls from parties located in the Company's Service Area described in Section 2.2, above.

2.3.2. RATE SCHEDULE

Basic Local Exchange Service Rates are applied per minute of use (Plan A) or by message (Plan B) as follows.

<u>Plan A</u> <u>(Mileage Based)</u>	<u>Day</u> <u>Initial</u> <u>Add'l</u>	<u>Eve</u> <u>Initial</u> <u>Add'l</u>	<u>Night</u> <u>Initial</u> <u>Add'l</u>
0-10 Miles	\$0.0383 \$0.0910	\$0.0383 \$0.0910	\$0.0383 \$0.0910
11-22 Miles	\$0.0427 \$0.0162	\$0.0427 \$0.0162	\$0.0427 \$0.0162
23+ Miles	\$0.0472 \$0.0207	\$0.0472 \$0.0207	\$0.0472 \$0.0207
 <u>Plan B</u> <u>(Message Rate)</u>			
Up to 73 messages	\$0.0000		
74 + plus messages	\$0.0830		

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2.4. LATE PAYMENT CHARGE

The Company will assess a late payment charge equal to 1.5% of the balance due on the unpaid portion of the bill if payment is not received by the payment due date.

Late payment charges do not apply to the disputed amounts portion of unpaid balances. Undisputed amounts of the same bill may be subject to a late payment charge if they remain unpaid by the due date on the customer's bill.

The late payment charge will not be applied to previous late payment charges that have been assessed but not yet been paid for, but will apply to the accumulated services for which the customer is in arrears. Late payment charges will be applied without discrimination.

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2.5. UNIVERSAL EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBER SERVICE (911, E911)

2.5.1. GENERAL

This service is offered solely as an aid in handling assistance calls in connection with fire, police and other emergencies. The Company is not responsible for any losses, claims, demands, suits or any liability whatsoever, whether suffered, made instituted or asserted by the Customer or by any other party or person for any personal injury to or death of any person or persons, and for any loss, damage or destruction of any property, whether owned by the Customer or others, caused or claimed to have been caused by: (1) mistakes, omissions, interruption, delays, errors or other defects in the provision of this service, or (2) installation, operation, failure to operate, maintenance, removal, presence, condition, location or use of any equipment and facilities furnishing this service.

Neither is the Company responsible for any infringement or invasion of the right of privacy of any person or persons, caused or claimed to have been caused, directly or indirectly, by the installation, operation, failure to operate, maintenance, removal, presence, condition, occasion or use of emergency 911 service features and the equipment associated therewith, or by any services furnished by the Company including, but not limited to, the identification of the telephone number, address or name associated with the telephone used by the party or parties accessing emergency 911 service, and which arise out of the negligence or other wrongful act of the Company, the Customer, its Users, agencies or municipalities, or the employees or agents of any one of them.

2.5.2. LIABILITY

- A. The Company's liability arising from errors or omissions in Directory Listings shall be limited to the actual cost to the Customer for the Directory Listing during a given period of time. There is no liability to a Customer and there will be no recovery by a Customer for loss of business for errors or omissions in Directory Listings.
- B. In conjunction with a private listing, the Company will not be liable for failure or refusal to complete any call to such telephone when the call is not place by dialing a number. The Company will try to prevent the disclosure of the number of such telephone, but will not be liable in any manner should such number be divulged.

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2.5. UNIVERSAL EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBER SERVICE (911, E911) (CONT'D)

2.5.2. LIABILITY (CONT'D)

- C. When a Customer with a non-published telephone number places a call to the Emergency 911 Service, the Company will release the name and address of the calling party, where such information can be determined, to the appropriate local government authority responsible for the Emergency 911 Service upon request of such governmental authority. By subscribing to service under this Tariff, the Customer acknowledges and agrees with the release of information under the provisions as described above.

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