January 17, 2018

Barcy F. McNeal, Secretary Public Utilities Commission of Ohio Docketing Division 180 East Broad Street Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793

Re: Case No. 18-0098-TP-ZTA - Annual Tariff Revision to BLES Cap; Docket 90-5021-TP-TRF

Dear Ms. McNeal:

Pursuant to PUCO rule 4901:1-6-14 (F)(2), please find attached, the following tariff pages in the BLES tariff for The Germantown Independent Telephone Company d/b/a FairPoint Communications.

P.U.C.O. No. 8 Section 1 Third Revised Sheet No. 2

The purpose of this filing is to comply with the above referenced rule requirement to update the tariff rate cap for BLES at the end of each exchange's twelve-month period, to reflect the new anniversary date.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at the number below.

Respectfully submitted,

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Carole J. Williamson Director Regulatory Office: (207) 797-1190

The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio TELECOMMUNICATIONS FILING FORM (Effective: 10-11-2017)

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In the Matter of the Application of The Germantown Independent Telephone Company d/b/a FairPoint Communications

to Revise Annual BLES Cap Anniversary Date

TRF Docket No. 90 - 5021-TP-TRF

Case No. 18 - 0098 - TP - ZTA

) NOTE: Unless you have reserved a Case #, leave the) "Case No" fields BLANK.

Name of Registrant(s) The Germantown Independent Telephone Company

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DBA(s) of Registrant(s) FairPo	pint Communications				
Address of Registrant(s) 1 Dav	Davis Farm Road; Portland ME 04103				
Company Web Address www.fa	airpoint.com				
Regulatory Contact Person(s) C	arole Williamson	Phone 207-797-1190	Fax 207-797-1258		
Regulatory Contact Person's Ema	il Address carole.williamson@fairpoint	t.com			
Contact Person for Annual Report	t Sandy Richardson		Phone 620-227-4400		
Address (if different from above)	908 W. Frontview; Dodge City KS 678	801			
Consumer Contact Information	Victoria Gronquist		Phone 716-326-1263		
Address (if different from above)	30 E. Main Street; Westfield NY 1478	7			

Motion for protective order included with filing? 🗌 Yes 🗹 No

Motion for waiver(s) filed affecting this case? Types INo [Note: Waivers may toll any automatic timeframe.]

Notes:

Section I and II are Pursuant to Ohio Administrative Code <u>4901:1-6</u>. Section III – Carrier to Carrier is Pursuant to Ohio Adm.Code <u>4901:1-7</u>, and Wireless is Pursuant to Ohio Adm.Code <u>4901:1-6-24</u>. 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 Adm.Code Chapter 4901 and/or the supplemental application form noted.

(3) Information regarding the number of copies required by the PUCO may be obtained from the PUCO's website at <u>www.PUCO.ohio.gov</u> 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 PUCO.

(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:
Α	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.
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

Carrier Type Other (explain below)	For Profit ILEC	Not For Profit ILEC	CLEC
Change terms & conditions of existing BLES	☐ ATA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (Auto 30 days)	ATA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (Auto 30 days)	ATA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (Auto 30 days)
Introduce non-recurring charge, surcharge, or fee to BLES			ATA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (Auto 30 days)
Introduce or Increase Late Payment	ATA <u>1-6-14(1)</u> (Auto 30 days)	ATA <u>1-6-14(1)</u> (Auto 30 days)	ATA <u>1-6-14(1)</u> (Auto 30 days)
Revisions to BLES Cap	✓ ZTA <u>1-6-14(F)</u> (0 day Notice)		
Introduce BLES or expand local service area (calling area)	□ ZTA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (0 day Notice)	□ ZTA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (0 day Notice)	□ ZTA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (0 day Notice)
Notice of no obligation to construct facilities and provide BLES	□ ZTA <u>1-6-27(C)</u> (0 day Notice)	ZTA <u>1-6-27(C)</u> (0 day Notice)	
Change BLES Rates	□ TRF <u>1-6-14(F)</u> (0 day Notice)	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 flexibility	BLS <u>1-6-14(C)(1)(c)</u> (Auto 30 days)		
Change in boundary	ACB <u>1-6-32</u> (Auto 14 days)	ACB <u>1-6-32</u> (Auto 14 days)	
Expand service operation area			\Box TRF <u>1-6-08(G)</u> (0 day)
BLES withdrawal			ZTA <u>1-6-25(B)</u> (0 day Notice)
Other* (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
🔲 15-day Notice				
☐ 30-day Notice				
Date Notice Sent:				

Section I – Part III – IOS Offerings Pursuant to Chapter 4901:1-6-22 OAC

IOS	Introduce New	Tariff Change	Price Change	Withdraw
🔲 IOS				

Certification	ILEC (Out of territory)	CLEC	Telecommunications Service Provider Not Offering Local	CESTC	CETC
* See Supplemental	ACE <u>1-6-08</u>	ACE <u>1-6-08</u>	ACE <u>1-6-08</u>	ACE <u>1-6-10</u>	UNC <u>1-6-09</u>
form	* (Auto 30- day)	*(Auto 30 day)	*(Auto 30 day)	(Auto 30 day)	*(Non-Auto)

*Supplemental Certification forms can be found on the PUCO webpage.

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>	ACN <u>1-6-29(B)</u>	CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u>
	(Auto 30 days)	(Auto 30 days)	(0 day Notice)
Change in Ownership *	ACO <u>1-6-29(E)</u>	ACO <u>1-6-29(E)</u>	CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u>
	(Auto 30 days)	(Auto 30 days)	(0 day Notice)
Merger *	AMT <u>1-6-29(E)</u>	AMT <u>1-6-29(E)</u>	CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u>
	(Auto 30 days)	(Auto 30 days)	(0 day Notice)
Transfer a Certificate *	ATC <u>1-6-29(B)</u>	ATC <u>1-6-29(B)</u>	CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u>
	(Auto 30 days)	(Auto 30 days)	(0 day Notice)
Transaction for transfer or lease of property, plant or business *	ATR <u>1-6-29(B)</u>	ATR <u>1-6-29(B)</u>	CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u>
	(Auto 30 days)	(Auto 30 days)	(0 day Notice)

*Other exhibits may be required under the applicable rule(s). ACN, ACO, AMT, ATC, ATR and CIO applications see <u>the 4901:1-6-29 Filing Requirements on the PUCO's webpage</u> 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 days)	□ ATA <u>1-7-14</u> (Auto 30 days)
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 Attachment, Conduit Occupancy and Rights- of-Way. (13-579-AU-ORD 11/30/16 Entry)	□ ATA <u>1-3-04</u> (Auto 60 days)	
Wireless Providers See <u>4901:1-6-24</u>	RCC [Registration & Change in Operations] (0 day)	□ NAG [Interconnection Agreement or Amendment] (Auto 90 days)

Section IV. - Attestation

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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. The Germantown , and am authorized to make this statement on its behal Carole Williamson
(Name)
Please check ALL that apply:
\square I attest that these tariffs comply with all applicable rules for the State of Ohio. I understand that tariff notification filings do n imply Commission approval and that the Commission's rules, as modified and clarified from time to time, supersede as 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 Ohio Adm.Code 4901:1-6-7.
I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.
Executed on (Date) January 17, 2018 at (Location) 1 Davis Farm Road; Portland ME 04103
*Signature and
*This affidavit is required for every tariff-affecting filing. It may be signed by counsel or an officer of the applicant, or an authorize agent of the applicant.
VERIFICATION
I, , verify that I have utilized the Telecommunications Filing Form for most proceedings provided by the Commission and that all the information submitted here, and all additional information submitted in connection with this case, is true and correct to the best my knowledge.
*Signature and Chouf Within Director Regulatory Date 01-17-18
*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.

File document electronically as directed in case number 06-900-AU-WVR

or

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

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Exhibit A

CURRENT TARIFF PAGE(S)

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SCHEDULE OF PRINCIPAL MONTHLY RATES

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	Access Line Individual	<u>Max.</u> <u>Rate</u>	BLES Anniversary Date	(N)
Residential	\$20.20	\$20.20	January 31, 2017	
Business	\$37.67	\$37.67	January 31, 2017	(N)
Public Pay phones	\$36.42			
COCOT	\$19.50			
Coin Supervision				
Additive	\$7.20			

Two-way extended area service is furnished the subscribers of this exchange between The Germantown Independent Telephone Company and the Franklin, Middletown, Dayton and Miamisburg-West Carollton exchanges of AT&T Ohio and the Gratis and Farmersville exchanges of Frontier North Inc.

EXPANDED SERVICE AREAS

The services, rates, terms, and conditions for the Franklin Exchange will be identical to those of the Germantown Exchange. Service will be available where facilities permit.

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Exhibit B

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Summary: Tariff Revised tariff pages updating the BLES Cap Anniversary date electronically filed by Mrs. Beth Westman on behalf of Germantown Telephone Company d/b/a FairPoint Communications