

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. 18-0099-TP-ZTA - Annual Tariff Revision to BLES Cap; Docket 90-5033-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 Orwell Telephone Company d/b/a FairPoint Communications.

P.U.C.O. No. 8	Section 1	Third Revised Sheet No. 4
	Section 1	Third Revised Sheet No. 5

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,



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

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

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 The Orwell Telephone Company d/b/a FairPoint Communications ) TRF Docket No. 90 - 5033-TP-TRF  
to Revise Annual BLES Cap Anniversary Date ) Case No. 18 - 0099 - **TP - ZTA**  
) NOTE: Unless you have reserved a Case #, leave the  
) "Case No" fields BLANK.

Name of Registrant(s) The Orwell Telephone Company  
DBA(s) of Registrant(s) FairPoint Communications  
Address of Registrant(s) 1 Davis Farm Road; Portland ME 04103  
Company Web Address www.fairpoint.com  
Regulatory Contact Person(s) Carole Williamson Phone 207-797-1190 Fax 207-797-1258  
Regulatory Contact Person's Email Address carole.williamson@fairpoint.com  
Contact Person for Annual Report Sandy Richardson Phone 620-227-4400  
Address (if different from above) 908 W. Frontview; Dodge City KS 67801  
Consumer Contact Information Victoria Gronquist Phone 716-326-1263  
Address (if different from above) 30 E. Main Street; Westfield NY 14787

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 Ohio Administrative Code [4901:1-6](#).

Section III – Carrier to Carrier is Pursuant to Ohio Adm.Code [4901:1-7](#), and Wireless is Pursuant to Ohio Adm.Code [4901:1-6-24](#).

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 [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 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:
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"/> Other (explain below)	<b>For Profit ILEC</b>	<b>Not For Profit ILEC</b>	<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 checked="" 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 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

<b>Type of Notice</b>	<b>Direct Mail</b>	<b>Bill Insert</b>	<b>Bill Notation</b>	<b>Electronic Mail</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> 15-day Notice	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> 30-day Notice	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Date Notice Sent:</b>				

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

<b>IOS</b>	<b>Introduce New</b>	<b>Tariff Change</b>	<b>Price Change</b>	<b>Withdraw</b>
<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 PUCO webpage.

## 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 PUCO's webpage](#) 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 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <a href="#">1-7-14</a> (Auto 30 days)
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. (13-579-AU-ORD 11/30/16 Entry)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <a href="#">1-3-04</a> (Auto 60 days)	
<b>Wireless Providers</b> See <a href="#">4901:1-6-24</a>	<input type="checkbox"/> RCC [Registration & Change in Operations] (0 day)	<input type="checkbox"/> NAG [Interconnection Agreement or Amendment] (Auto 90 days)

#### Section IV. – Attestation

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 Orwell Telephone , and am authorized to make this statement on its behalf.  
Carole Williamson  
(Name)

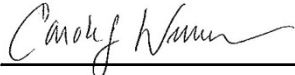
Please check ALL that apply:

☒ 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 Ohio Adm.Code 4901:1-6-7.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

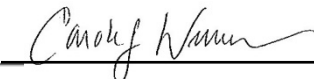
Executed on  
(Date) January 17, 2018 at (Location) 1 Davis Farm Road; Portland ME 04103

\*Signature and  
Title  Director Regulatory Date 01-17-18

*\*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.*

#### VERIFICATION

I, , 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  Director Regulatory Date 01-17-18

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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

# Exhibit A

CURRENT TARIFF PAGE(S)

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EXCHANGE RATES (Continued)

ORWELL, WINDSOR AND COLEBROOK EXCHANGE AREAS

Within the Colebrook Exchange Area; within the Orwell Exchange Area; and within the Windsor Exchange Area:

Individual Access Line

<u>Monthly</u> <u>Business Rates</u>	<u>Max. Rate</u>	<u>Monthly</u> <u>Residence Rates</u>	<u>Max. Rate</u>	<u>BLES Anniversary</u> <u>Date</u>	(N)   (N)
\$28.14	\$28.14	\$17.90	\$17.90	January 31, 2017	(N)

NORTH BLOOMFIELD EXCHANGE

Within the North Bloomfield Exchange Area:

Individual Access Line

<u>Monthly</u> <u>Business Rates</u>	<u>Max. Rate</u>	<u>Monthly</u> <u>Residence Rates</u>	<u>Max. Rate</u>	<u>BLES Anniversary</u> <u>Date</u>	(N)   (N)
\$34.30	\$34.30	\$21.73	\$21.73	January 31, 2017	(N)

MT. CORY EXCHANGE

Within the Mt. Cory Exchange Area:

Individual Access Line

<u>Monthly</u> <u>Business Rates</u>	<u>Max. Rate</u>	<u>Monthly</u> <u>Residence Rates</u>	<u>Max. Rate</u>	<u>BLES Anniversary</u> <u>Date</u>	(N)   (N)
\$31.42	\$31.42	\$19.68	\$19.68	January 31, 2017	(N)

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EXCHANGE RATES (Continued)

BELMORE, GILBOA, LEIPSIC AND PANDORA EXCHANGE AREAS

Within the Belmore, Gilboa, Leipsic and Pandora Exchange Areas:

Individual Access Line

<u>Monthly</u> <u>Business Rates</u>	<u>Max. Rate</u>	<u>Monthly</u> <u>Residence Rates</u>	<u>Max. Rate</u>	<u>BLES Anniversary</u> <u>Date</u>	(N)   (N)
\$28.14	\$28.14	\$17.90	\$17.90	January 31, 2017	

ORWELL, WINDSOR, COLEBROOK, NORTH BLOOMFIELD, BELMORE, GILBOA,  
LEIPSIC, MT. CORY AND PANDORA EXCHANGE AREAS

Within the Orwell, Windsor, Colebrook, North Bloomfield, Belmore, Gilboa, Leipsic, Mt. Cory and Pandora Exchange Areas:

911 EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SERVICE  
COUNTY RATE LIST

<u>County</u>	<u>911 Subscriber</u> <u>Charge *</u>	<u>Effective</u> <u>Date</u>	<u>Effective Case</u> <u>No.</u>
Allen	\$ .37	03/12/98	97-419-TP-EMG
Ashtabula	\$ .50	12/10/92	91-1831-TP- EMG
Geauga	\$ .50	12/01/94	93-237-TP-EMG
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Henry	\$ .37	03/12/98	97-419-TP-EMG
Putnam	\$ .37	03/12/98	97-419-TP-EMG
Trumbull	\$ .50	7/01/94	93-505-TP-EMG

\*Monthly charges apply to both business and residence service on a per access line basis.



## Exhibit B

PROPOSED TARIFF PAGE(S)

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\$28.14	\$28.14	\$17.90	\$17.90	January 31, 2108 (C)

NORTH BLOOMFIELD EXCHANGE

Within the North Bloomfield Exchange Area:

Individual Access Line

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EXCHANGE RATES (Continued)

BELMORE, GILBOA, LEIPSIC AND PANDORA EXCHANGE AREAS

Within the Belmore, Gilboa, Leipsic and Pandora Exchange Areas:

Individual Access Line

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ORWELL, WINDSOR, COLEBROOK, NORTH BLOOMFIELD, BELMORE, GILBOA,  
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Summary: Tariff Revised tariff pages updating the BLES Cap Anniversary date electronically filed by Mrs. Beth Westman on behalf of Orwell Telephone Company d/b/a FairPoint Communications