

*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 Consolidated Communications of Ohio Company, LLC  
to Change its Basic Local Exchange Rates

) TRF Docket No. 90 - 5033-TP-TRF  
) Case No. 20 - 0256 - **TP - TRF**  
) NOTE: Unless you have reserved a Case #, leave the "Case No" fields BLANK.

Name of Registrant(s) Consolidated Communications of Ohio Company, LLC  
DBA(s) of Registrant(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
Address of Registrant(s) 5 Davis Farm Road, Portland, Maine 04103  
Company Web Address www.consolidated.com  
Regulatory Contact Person(s) Carole Williamson Phone 207-535-3069 Fax 207-797-5722  
Regulatory Contact Person's Email Address carole.williamson@consolidated.com  
Contact Person for Annual Report Darin Doughty Phone 217-238-8451  
Address (if different from above) 121 S. 17th St., Mattoon, IL 61938  
Consumer Contact Information Darin Doughty Phone 217-238-8451  
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 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

Carrier Type <input type="checkbox"/> Other (explain below)	For Profit ILEC	Not For Profit ILEC	CLEC
Change terms & conditions of existing BLES	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (Auto 30 days)
Introduce non-recurring charge, surcharge, or fee to BLES			<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (Auto 30 days)
Introduce or Increase Late Payment	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <u>1-6-14(I)</u> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <u>1-6-14(I)</u> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (Auto 30 days)
Revisions to BLES Cap	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA <u>1-6-14(F)</u> (0 day Notice)		
Introduce BLES or expand local service area (calling area)	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (0 day Notice)
Notice of no obligation to construct facilities and provide BLES	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA <u>1-6-27(C)</u> (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA <u>1-6-27(C)</u> (0 day Notice)	
Change BLES Rates	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TRF <u>1-6-14(I)</u> (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF <u>1-6-14(F)(4)</u> (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF <u>1-6-14(G)</u> (0 day Notice)
To obtain BLES pricing flexibility	<input type="checkbox"/> BLS <u>1-6-14(C)(1)(c)</u> (Auto 30 days)		
Change in boundary	<input type="checkbox"/> ACB <u>1-6-32</u> (Auto 14 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACB <u>1-6-32</u> (Auto 14 days)	
Expand service operation area			<input type="checkbox"/> TRF <u>1-6-08(G)</u> (0 day)
BLES withdrawal			<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA <u>1-6-25(B)</u> (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 type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Date Notice Sent:</b> January 28, 2020				

## 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 <u>1-6-08</u> * (Auto 30- day)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACE <u>1-6-08</u> *(Auto 30 day)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACE <u>1-6-08</u> *(Auto 30 day)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACE <u>1-6-10</u> (Auto 30 day)	<input type="checkbox"/> UNC <u>1-6-09</u> *(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 <u>1-6-26</u> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ABN <u>1-6-26</u> (Auto 30 days)
Change of Official Name *	<input type="checkbox"/> ACN <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACN <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u> (0 day Notice)
Change in Ownership *	<input type="checkbox"/> ACO <u>1-6-29(E)</u> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACO <u>1-6-29(E)</u> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u> (0 day Notice)
Merger *	<input type="checkbox"/> AMT <u>1-6-29(E)</u> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> AMT <u>1-6-29(E)</u> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u> (0 day Notice)
Transfer a Certificate *	<input type="checkbox"/> ATC <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATC <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u> (0 day Notice)
Transaction for transfer or lease of property, plant or business *	<input type="checkbox"/> ATR <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATR <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> 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 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 <u>1-7-07</u> (Auto 90 day)	<input type="checkbox"/> NAG <u>1-7-07</u> (Auto 90 day)
Request for Arbitration	<input type="checkbox"/> ARB <u>1-7-09</u> (Non-Auto)	<input type="checkbox"/> ARB <u>1-7-09</u> (Non-Auto)
Introduce or change c-t-c service tariffs	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <u>1-7-14</u> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <u>1-7-14</u> (Auto 30 days)
Request rural carrier exemption, rural carrier suspension or modification	<input type="checkbox"/> UNC <u>1-7-04 or 05</u> (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 <u>1-3-04</u> (Auto 60 days)	
Wireless Providers See <u>4901:1-6-24</u>	<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, Consolidated ☒, and am authorized to make this statement on its behalf.  
Carole J. Williamson, Director - Regulatory  
(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 28, 2020 at (Location) Portland, Maine 04103

\*Signature and Title carole.williamson@fairpoint.com  
Digitally signed by carole.williamson@fairpoint.com  
DN: cn=carole.williamson@fairpoint.com  
Date: 2020.01.28 12:43:39 -0500  
Date 1/28/20

*\*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 carole.williamson@fairpoint.com  
Digitally signed by carole.williamson@fairpoint.com  
DN: cn=carole.williamson@fairpoint.com  
Date: 2020.01.28 12:49:05 -0500  
Date 1/28/20

*\*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

## EXHIBIT A

(Current Tariff Sheets)

1.2 EXCHANGE RATES

- A. Unless otherwise specified, the charges quoted in this Tariff are for periods of one month, and are payable in advance.

ORWELL, WINDSOR AND COLEBROOK EXCHANGE AREAS

Within the Orwell, Windsor and Colebrook Exchange Areas:

Individual Access Line					
<u>Monthly Business</u>	<u>Max. Rate</u>	<u>Monthly</u>	<u>Max. Rate</u>	<u>BLES Anniversary</u>	
<u>Rates</u>		<u>Residence Rates</u>		<u>Date</u>	
\$28.14	\$28.14	\$17.90	\$17.90	January 31, 2019	(C)

NORTH BLOOMFIELD EXCHANGE

Within the North Bloomfield Exchange Area:

Individual Access Line					
<u>Monthly Business</u>	<u>Max. Rate</u>	<u>Monthly</u>	<u>Max. Rate</u>	<u>BLES Anniversary</u>	
<u>Rates</u>		<u>Residence Rates</u>		<u>Date</u>	
\$34.30	\$34.30	\$21.73	\$21.73	January 31, 2019	(C)

MT. CORY EXCHANGE

Within the Mt. Cory Exchange Area:

Individual Access Line					
<u>Monthly Business</u>	<u>Max. Rate</u>	<u>Monthly</u>	<u>Max. Rate</u>	<u>BLES Anniversary</u>	
<u>Rates</u>		<u>Residence Rates</u>		<u>Date</u>	
\$31.42	\$31.42	\$19.68	\$19.68	January 31, 2019	(C)

1.2 EXCHANGE RATES (Continued)BELMORE, GILBOA, LEIPSIC AND PANDORA EXCHANGE AREAS

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

## Individual Access Line

<u>Monthly Business</u> <u>Rates</u>	<u>Max. Rate</u>	<u>Monthly</u> <u>Residence Rates</u>	<u>Max. Rate</u>	<u>BLES Anniversary</u> <u>Date</u>	
\$28.14	\$28.14	\$17.90	\$17.90	January 31, 2019	(C)

For the Belmore, Colebrook, Gilboa, Leipsic, Mt. Cory, North Bloomfield, Orwell and Windsor Exchanges:

The semi-public paystation subscriber will be charged a monthly rate of forty-one and 25/100 (\$41.25) plus all of the long distance charges and taxes.

The standard, one party business rate currently in effect in each exchange area, or its equivalent, shall be the proper rate to be applied to the furnishing of COCOT Service.

GERMANTOWN EXCHANGE

Within the Germantown Exchange Area:

## Individual Access Line

<u>Monthly Business</u> <u>Rates</u>	<u>Max. Rate</u>	<u>Monthly</u> <u>Residence Rates</u>	<u>Max. Rate</u>	<u>BLES Anniversary</u> <u>Date</u>	
\$37.67	\$37.67	\$20.20	\$20.20	January 31, 2019	(C)

<u>Other Lines:</u>	<u>Monthly Rate</u>
<u>Public Pay Phone</u>	\$36.42
<u>COCOT</u>	\$19.50
<u>Coin Supervision</u>	
<u>Additive</u>	\$7.20

1.2 EXCHANGE RATES (Continued)COLUMBUS GROVE EXCHANGE

Within the Columbus Grove Exchange Area:

Individual Access Line

Within the Base Rate Area\*

<u>Monthly Business</u> <u>Rates</u>	<u>Max. Rate</u>	<u>Monthly</u> <u>Residence Rates</u>	<u>Max. Rate</u>	<u>BLES Anniversary</u> <u>Date</u>	
\$20.85	\$20.85	\$13.05	\$13.05	January 31, 2019	(C)

Individual Access Line

Outside the Base Rate Area\*\*

<u>Monthly Business</u> <u>Rates</u>	<u>Max. Rate</u>	<u>Monthly</u> <u>Residence Rates</u>	<u>Max. Rate</u>	<u>BLES Anniversary</u> <u>Date</u>	
\$23.45	\$23.45	\$15.65	\$15.65	January 31, 2019	(C)

Basic Coin Transmission Rate

Within the Base Rate Area\*

<u>Element</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Smart Payphone Line	\$19.60
Dumb Payphone Line	\$19.60
Coin Supervision Additive	\$7.20

Basic Coin Transmission Rate

Outside the Base Rate Area\*\*

<u>Element</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Smart Payphone Line	\$22.20
Dumb Payphone Line	\$22.20
Coin Supervision Additive	\$7.20

\* As defined on the map shown in Section 1, Sheet No. 5

\*\* As defined on the map shown in Section 1, Sheet No. 7



EXHIBIT B

(Proposed Tariff Sheets)

1.2 EXCHANGE RATES

- A. Unless otherwise specified, the charges quoted in this Tariff are for periods of one month, and are payable in advance.

ORWELL, WINDSOR AND COLEBROOK EXCHANGE AREAS

Within the Orwell, Windsor and Colebrook Exchange Areas:

Individual Access Line					
<u>Monthly Business</u>	<u>Max. Rate</u>	<u>Monthly</u>	<u>Max. Rate</u>	<u>BLES Anniversary</u>	
<u>Rates</u>		<u>Residence Rates</u>		<u>Date</u>	
\$30.00 (I)	\$30.00 (I)	\$19.90 (I)	\$19.90 (I)	January 31, 2020	(C)

NORTH BLOOMFIELD EXCHANGE

Within the North Bloomfield Exchange Area:

Individual Access Line					
<u>Monthly Business</u>	<u>Max. Rate</u>	<u>Monthly</u>	<u>Max. Rate</u>	<u>BLES Anniversary</u>	
<u>Rates</u>		<u>Residence Rates</u>		<u>Date</u>	
\$36.00 (I)	\$36.00 (I)	\$23.73 (I)	\$23.73 (I)	January 31, 2020	(C)

MT. CORY EXCHANGE

Within the Mt. Cory Exchange Area:

Individual Access Line					
<u>Monthly Business</u>	<u>Max. Rate</u>	<u>Monthly</u>	<u>Max. Rate</u>	<u>BLES Anniversary</u>	
<u>Rates</u>		<u>Residence Rates</u>		<u>Date</u>	
\$33.00 (I)	\$33.00 (I)	\$21.68 (I)	\$21.68 (I)	January 31, 2020	(C)

1.2 EXCHANGE RATES (Continued)BELMORE, GILBOA, LEIPSIC AND PANDORA EXCHANGE AREAS

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

## Individual Access Line

<u>Monthly Business Rates</u>	<u>Max. Rate</u>	<u>Monthly Residence Rates</u>	<u>Max. Rate</u>	<u>BLES Anniversary Date</u>	
\$30.00 (I)	\$30.00 (I)	\$19.90 (I)	\$19.90 (I)	January 31, 2020	(C)

For the Belmore, Colebrook, Gilboa, Leipsic, Mt. Cory, North Bloomfield, Orwell and Windsor Exchanges:

The semi-public paystation subscriber will be charged a monthly rate of forty-one and 25/100 (\$41.25) plus all of the long distance charges and taxes.

The standard, one party business rate currently in effect in each exchange area, or its equivalent, shall be the proper rate to be applied to the furnishing of COCOT Service.

GERMANTOWN EXCHANGE

Within the Germantown Exchange Area:

## Individual Access Line

<u>Monthly Business Rates</u>	<u>Max. Rate</u>	<u>Monthly Residence Rates</u>	<u>Max. Rate</u>	<u>BLES Anniversary Date</u>	
\$39.50 (I)	\$39.50 (I)	\$21.37 (I)	\$21.37 (I)	January 31, 2020	(C)

<u>Other Lines:</u>	<u>Monthly Rate</u>
<u>Public Pay Phone</u>	\$36.42
<u>COCOT</u>	\$19.50
<u>Coin Supervision Additive</u>	\$7.20

1.2 EXCHANGE RATES (Continued)COLUMBUS GROVE EXCHANGE

Within the Columbus Grove Exchange Area:

Individual Access Line

Within the Base Rate Area\*

<u>Monthly Business</u> <u>Rates</u>	<u>Max. Rate</u>	<u>Monthly</u> <u>Residence Rates</u>	<u>Max. Rate</u>	<u>BLES Anniversary</u> <u>Date</u>	
\$22.50 (I)	\$22.50 (I)	\$15.05 (I)	\$15.05 (I)	January 31, 2020	(C)

Individual Access Line

Outside the Base Rate Area\*\*

<u>Monthly Business</u> <u>Rates</u>	<u>Max. Rate</u>	<u>Monthly</u> <u>Residence Rates</u>	<u>Max. Rate</u>	<u>BLES Anniversary</u> <u>Date</u>	
\$25.00 (I)	\$25.00 (I)	\$17.65 (I)	\$17.65 (I)	January 31, 2020	(C)

Basic Coin Transmission Rate

Within the Base Rate Area\*

<u>Element</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Smart Payphone Line	\$19.60
Dumb Payphone Line	\$19.60
Coin Supervision Additive	\$7.20

Basic Coin Transmission Rate

Outside the Base Rate Area\*\*

<u>Element</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Smart Payphone Line	\$22.20
Dumb Payphone Line	\$22.20
Coin Supervision Additive	\$7.20

\* As defined on the map shown in Section 1, Sheet No. 5

\*\* As defined on the map shown in Section 1, Sheet No. 7

## EXHIBIT C

### (Description of the Changes)

In this application, Consolidated Communications of Ohio Company, LLC requests a change in its Basic Local Exchange Rates (BLES). Consolidated Communications of Ohio Company, LLC was granted BLES pricing flexibility, effective January 31, 2014. The company requests an increase for both business and residential customers in each of the company's exchanges as detailed in Exhibit D, effective March 1, 2020. Obtaining increases at this time is essential for the Company to bring its rates more in line with the national average and continue to provide its customers with excellent telephone service.

## EXHIBIT D

### (Customer Notice)

The following customer notice appeared in bills that were mailed to Consolidated Communications customers on January 28, 2020. This notice was sent to the Commission's electronic mailbox ([Telecomm-Rule07@puc.state.oh.us](mailto:Telecomm-Rule07@puc.state.oh.us)) prior to the rate increase:

#### **Increase to Basic Local Exchange Rates**

At Consolidated Communications, we strive to keep you informed of any changes to your billing and service options. Effective March 1, 2020, our local telephone rates will be increasing for residential and business customers in the following exchange areas:

##### **Germantown**

Current Residential Rate	New Residential Rate	Current Business Rate	New Business Rate
\$20.20	\$21.37	\$37.67	\$39.50

##### **Columbus Grove (In Town-Within the Base Rate Area)**

Current Residential Rate	New Residential Rate	Current Business Rate	New Business Rate
\$13.05	\$15.05	\$20.85	\$22.50

##### **Columbus Grove (Out of Town-Outside the Base Rate Area)**

Current Residential Rate	New Residential Rate	Current Business Rate	New Business Rate
\$15.65	\$17.65	\$23.45	\$25.00

##### **Orwell, Windsor and Colebrook**

Current Residential Rate	New Residential Rate	Current Business Rate	New Business Rate
\$17.90	\$19.90	\$28.14	\$30.00

##### **North Bloomfield**

Current Residential Rate	New Residential Rate	Current Business Rate	New Business Rate
\$21.73	\$23.73	\$34.30	\$36.00

##### **Mt. Cory**

Current Residential Rate	New Residential Rate	Current Business Rate	New Business Rate
\$19.68	\$21.68	\$31.42	\$33.00

##### **Belmore, Gilboa, Leipsic, and Pandora**

Current Residential Rate	New Residential Rate	Current Business Rate	New Business Rate
\$17.90	\$19.90	\$28.14	\$30.00

These increases are necessary to bring our local rates more in line with the national average and to continue to provide our customers with excellent telephone service. We value your business and look forward to providing you with the best services possible. For more information, please call 1.844.YOUR.CCI (1.844.968.7224).

## **EXHIBIT E**

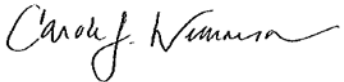
### **(Affidavit)**

The following affidavit was prepared and filed with the Commission after the customer notice was provided to customers on January 28, 2020.

I, Carole J. Williamson, am an authorized agent of the applicant corporation, Consolidated Communications, and am authorized to make this statement on its behalf.

I attest that the customer notice accompanying this affidavit was sent to affected customers as a bill insert on January 28, 2020, 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 1/28/20 at Portland, Maine 04103.

Signature 

**This foregoing document was electronically filed with the Public Utilities**

**Commission of Ohio Docketing Information System on**

**1/29/2020 11:04:24 AM**

**in**

**Case No(s). 20-0256-TP-TRF**

Summary: Tariff Tariff filing to increase BLES rates for Consolidated Communications of Ohio Company, LLC electronically filed by Carole J Williamson on behalf of Consolidated Communications of Ohio Company, LLC