The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

TELECOMMUNICATIONS FILING FORM

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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 Windstream Ohio) TRF Docket No.	90 - 5003 -TP-TRF
	Case No.	- TP -
to increase current residential BLES line rates, revise language regardinstallation, and move all rates to a Pricing Attachment at the end	ding) NOTE: Unless you "Case No" fields BI	have reserved a Case #, leave the LANK.
Name of Registrant(s) Windstream Ohio		
DBA(s) of Registrant(s)		
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Consumer Contact Information Yvette Gadson		Phone.
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: Wa	ivers may toll any automatic tim	eframe.]
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 <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 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).
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(I)</u> (Auto 30 days)	ATA <u>1-6-14(I)</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			$\Box \text{TRF } \underline{1\text{-}6\text{-}08(G)}(0 \text{ day})$
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				
X 30-day Notice			~	
Date Notice Sent: R	lunning the month of June, w/ i	ncreases to become effective on	a rolling basis in July to	allow for 30 days notice.

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

IOS	Introduce New	Tariff Change	Price Change	Withdraw
□ IOS				

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	☐ 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> (Auto 30 days)	ACN <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u> (0 day Notice)
Change in Ownership *	☐ACO <u>1-6-29(E)</u> (Auto 30 days)	ACO <u>1-6-29(E)</u> (Auto 30 days)	☐ CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u> (0 day Notice)
Merger *	AMT <u>1-6-29(E)</u> (Auto 30 days)	AMT <u>1-6-29(E)</u> (Auto 30 days)	☐ CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u> (0 day Notice)
Transfer a Certificate *	ATC <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	☐ ATC <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	☐ CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u> (0 day Notice)
Transaction for transfer or lease of property, plant or business *	□ATR <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	☐ ATR <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	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	□ NAG <u>1-7-07</u> (Auto 90 day)	□ NAG <u>1-7-07</u> (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 4901:1-6-24	☐RCC [Registration & Change in Operations] (0 day)	☐ NAG [Interconnection Agreement or Amendment] (Auto 90 days)

Registrant hereby attests to its compliance with pertinent entries and orders issued by the Commission.

Compliance with Commission Rules
I am an officer/agent of the applicant corporation, WINDSTREAM OHIO, , and am authorized to make this statement on its behalf. Katherine Hoagland
(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) May 14, 2021 at (Location) 114 W. Spruce St. East Rochester, NY 14445
*Signature and Title /s/Katherine Hoagland, Regulatory and Tariff Analyst Date May 14, 2021 *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.
<u>VERIFICATION</u>
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 /s/ Katherine Hoagland, Sr. Tariff Analyst Date May 14, 2021
*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

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EXPLANATION OF SYMBOLS

- (C) Signifies changed regulation.
- (D) Signifies discontinued rate or regulation.
- (I) Signifies increased rate.
- (N) Signifies new rate or regulation.
- (R) Signifies reduced rate.
- (S) Signifies reissued matter.
- (T) Signifies a change in text but no change in rate or regulation.

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S2. GENERAL REGULATIONS

S2.3 Establishment and Furnishing of Basic Local Exchange Service

S2.3.1 Availability of Facilities

The Company will comply with the rules regarding establishment of service, set forth in O.A.C. 4901:1-6-27.

S2.3.2 Application for Service

A. Refusal to Provide Local Service

> The Company will comply with the rules regarding denial or disconnection of local and toll service, set forth in O.A.C. 4901:1-6-12.

В. When an application for service and facilities or requests for additions, rearrangements, reallocations, or modifications of service are canceled, in whole or in part, prior to completion of the work involved, the applicant is required to reimburse the Company for all expense incurred in handling the request before notice of cancellation is received. Such charge, request before notice of cancellation is received. Such charge, however, is not to exceed all charges which would apply if the work involved in complying with the request had been completed.

Any costs due to a rearrangement of facilities caused by a suspension of a portion of a service will be borne by the customer.

- C. When facilities have been ordered for the specific needs of a customer and the installation thereof is unduly delayed by, or at the request of the customer, applicable charges as specified in S3 apply for such equipment for the period of the delay.
- D. When a customer requests a change in location of all or a part of the facilities covered by his/her application for service, or request for addition, rearrangements or modifications of his/her existing service and equipment, prior to completion of the work involved, he/she is required to pay the difference between the total cost and expenses incurred by the Company in completing the work involved and that which would have been incurred had the final location, of the facilities been specified initially.

S2. GENERAL REGULATIONS

S2.3 Establishment and Furnishing of Basic Local Exchange Service (Continued)

S2.3.4 Transfer of Service Between Customers

- A. Service previously furnished one customer may be assumed by a new customer upon due notice of cancellation or in case of abandonment, provided there is no lapse in the rendition of service. Such transfers are subject to service connection charge regulations and may be arranged for in either of two ways:
 - 1. If the customer, fully understanding the regulations governing the service and the status of the account, willingly assumes all obligations hereunder, future bills are then rendered to him/her without an adjustment to, or from, any particular date with the Company arranging for the requested change in billing and directory listing.
 - 2. If the new customer does not wish to assume payment of the old account, a new service application is taken and an adjustment in billing is made to, and from, the date the transfer is effective.
- B. Under either method of transfer the reassignment of the old telephone number to the service of the new party is arranged for only after the former customer has given his/her consent to its use and then only when, in the judgment of the Company, there exists no relationship, business or otherwise, between the old and new customers and when, in the judgment of the Company, a change in the telephone number is not required.
- C. When a relationship does exist, business or otherwise, between the old and new customer, the reassignment of the old telephone number will not be permitted unless all charges due under the current account have been paid and then only when, in the judgment of the Company, a change in the telephone number is not required.
- D. The charges applicable for transfers of service as indicated above are the same as the service connection charges as described and rated in S3.

S2.3.5 Initial Service Periods

- A. Unless otherwise specified the service period for all services offered in this tariff is one month, commencing with the date of installation of the service.
- B. The service period relates to each applicable unit of service, either on the initial or subsequent installations.

S2.3.6 Service at Outdoor Locations

A. The Company will refuse to provide, maintain, or restore service at outdoor locations unless the customer agrees in writing to accept responsibility and to indemnify and save the Company harmless from and against any and all loss or damage that may result to equipment furnished by the Company at such locations.

S2. GENERAL REGULATIONS

S2.5 Liability of the Company (Continued)

S2.5.4 Ownership of and Errors in Telephone Directories

The Telephone Company assumes no liability whatsoever for damages accruing from errors or omissions in the making or printing of the directory. The Telephone Company will not be party to controversies arising between subscribers or others as a result of listings published in the directory.

S2.5.5 Defacement of Premises

The Company is not liable for any defacement of, or damage to, the premises of a customer resulting from the furnishing of service or the attachment of the instruments, apparatus and associated wiring furnished by the Company on such premises, or by the installation or removal thereof, when such defacement or damage is not the result of negligence of employees of the Company.

S2.5.6 Handling of Consumer Complaints

The Company will comply with the rules regarding the handling of consumer complaints as set forth in O.A.C. 4901:1-6-30.

S2.6 <u>Telecommunications Relay Services (TRS)</u>

Customers will be assessed a charge per line per month to fund the Telecommunication Relay Services for the State of Ohio in accordance with Section 4905.84 and Section 4901:1-6-36 of the Revised Code. This charge shall in no event exceed the per end user line (or equivalent) assessment of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio levied upon the Company.

S2.7 Lifeline Recovery Surcharge

Incumbent Local Exchange Carriers (ILECs), in accordance with Section 4927.13 (D) of the Revised Code, may recover from end users any Lifeline service discounts that are not recovered through state or federal funding or whose recovery is prohibited by law. In accordance with 4901:1-6-19(P) O.A.C., ILECs may recover these discounts through a customer billing surcharge on retail customers, excluding those with Lifeline service.

The Company's Lifeline Recovery Surcharge is calculated to recover the difference between the Company's Lifeline prices and the Company's standard retail service prices, minus any portion of the price differences that are recovered through federal or state funding. The Company will update this calculation at least once per year in accordance with 4901:1-6-19 (R) O.A.C.

The Lifeline Recovery Surcharge is imposed on each residence, nonresidence, and payphone access line, other than Lifeline service. For purposes of application of this surcharge, access lines are defined as facilities, which provide access to and from the telecommunications network for toll service and for local calling. Not included in this definition are remote call forwarding and Company official accounts.

Monthly Charge

Lifeline Recovery Surcharge, per line: \$ 0.03

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Issued By:

Vice President

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S3. SERVICE CHARGES

S3.1 <u>Service Connection Charges – Basic Local Exchange Service</u>

S3.1.1 Description

The term "Service Connection Charge" refers to charges applying per occurrence to customerinitiated requests for establishment of Basic Local Exchange Service.

S3.1.2 Definition and Rates

A service connection charge results from one or more of the following work functions necessary to perform the service requested.

A. <u>SERVICE ORDERING CHARGE</u>

 INITIAL SERVICE ORDER CHARGE is the charge for work performed by the Company in connection with the receiving, recording, and processing of requests for the establishment or relocation of service at a new location. One Initial Service Order Charge applies for each order received.

Initial	Service Order Charge	<u>Business</u>	<u>Residence</u>
1.	(ATL)† - Current	25.35	18.90
2.	(E/CS) † - Current	18.75	14.00

B. <u>CENTRAL OFFICE CHARGE</u> is the charge for the work associated with establishing or changing a line connection in the central office. One central office charge applies to each line connection established or changed.

Central Office Charge	<u>Business</u>	Residence
1. (ATL) † - Current	14.15	12.05
2. (E/CS) † - Current	10.75	9.00

[†] Due to mergers, certain rates apply to certain exchanges only. Rates indicated by (CFLD) apply to the Chesterfield exchange, rates indicated by (E/CS) apply to the Elyria and Columbia Station exchanges, and rates indicated by (ALT) apply to the Covington, Delta, Granville, Gratiot, Kenton, Marne, Neapolis, Newark, Paulding, Pleasant Hill, St. Louisville and St. Paris exchanges.

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S3. SERVICE CHARGES

S3.1 <u>Service Connection Charges - Basic Local Exchange Service</u> (Continued)

S3.1.2 Definition and Rates (Continued)

C. <u>VISITATION CHARGE</u> is for the expense associated with traveling to a customer's premise and for work associated with the placement and connection of or inspection of drop wires at the premise. The charge includes cable cross connections, placing and/or inspection of protective devices. One visitation charge applies to each line connected.

Visitation Charge		<u>Business</u>	Residence
1.	(ATL) † - Maximum	19.20	21.90
2.	(E/CS) † - Maximum	16.75	18.25

S3.1.3 Application of Charges

- A. Where the service desired necessitates the use of more than one item of service subject to a service connection charge, the total charge is the sum of the separate service connection charges for each item of service furnished except as hereinafter provided.
- B. The charges specified hereinafter do not contemplate work being performed by the Company employees at a time when overtime wages apply due to the request of the customer, nor do they contemplate work begun being interrupted by the customer. If the customer requests overtime labor being performed or interruption once work is begun, a charge in addition to the specified charges will be made equal to the additional cost involved.

S3.2 Reconnect Charge

- A charge applying to restoring service following a suspension of such service for non-payment of charges.
- 2. Service will be restored upon payment of charges due or at the discretion of the Company, a substantial portion thereof and is in addition to the reconnect charge per line.

Recor	nnect Charge (Non-Payment)	<u>Business</u>	Residence
1.	(ATL) †- Current	21.00	21.00
2.	(CLFD) † - Current	12.00	12.00
3.	(E/CS) † - Current	15.50	15.50

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S4. CHARGES APPLICABLE UNDER SPECIAL CONDITIONS

S4.1 Construction Charges

S4.1.1 General

Under certain conditions as hereinafter set forth and pursuant to Chapter 4901:1-6-33 of the P.U.C.O. rules, construction charges are applied to cover all or a portion of the unusual expense incurred by the Company in the establishment of service in addition to the rate for the class and type of service furnished and to any mileage charges or other charges that will apply in accordance with this tariff.

Advance payments covering construction charges will be required at the time the application for service is made and are based on an estimate of the expense to be incurred by the Company in providing construction required. The advance payment will be credited against the actual cost upon completion of construction and the difference will be charged or credited to the customer.

Material and labor which may be furnished by the applicant as hereinafter set forth are subject to the approval of the Company. All telephone plant construction on private property must be in accordance with the Company's standard specifications and written easements must be secured before construction commences. The cost associated with any moves or changes to existing Company facilities initiated at the request of the customer will be borne solely by the customer.

If the Company has started construction to provide service to a customer and the customer cancels the service application prior to construction being completed, then the customer shall reimburse the Company for any and all cost incurred for construction completed on the date of such cancellation.

For the application and administration of attachments or occupancy by a third party to Company facilities, refer to Section 9 of this tariff as it now exists or as it may be revised or supplemented.

S4.1.2 Private Property Construction

When a customer is so located that it is necessary to use private right-of-way to furnish service and the Company is unable to obtain the required right-of-way without additional expense, the customer will be required to pay the expense (or rental) incurred by the Company in securing and retaining such right-of-way. Additionally, when the Company attaches its facilities to poles of other companies in lieu of providing pole line construction, the applicable charges are the same as those incurred by the Company.

S4. CHARGES APPLICABLE UNDER SPECIAL CONDITIONS

S4.1 <u>Construction Charges</u> (Continued)

S4.1.3 Private Property Construction - Entrance Facilities

When a customer requests entrance facilities, those facilities are to extend from the main pole line, property line, or rear lot line easement to the customer's point of protection and/or demarcation point.

When wire facilities are constructed on private property, the cost of labor and material, plus supervision and overhead expenses for the first 150 feet of construction from the main pole line, property line, or rear lot line easement, shall be borne by the Company, except:

- 1. Conduit construction see S4.1.4.
- Direct Buried Facilities see S4.1.5.
- When conditions imposed by a customer make the installation unusual, the additional expense incurred by the Company shall be borne by the customer.

<u>All costs</u>, including labor and materials, plus supervision and overhead expenses, associated with the construction of wire facilities in excess of 150 feet and up to the protector and/or demarcation point shall be borne by the customer. Such aerial or underground extensions on private property shall be at the expense of the customer, but under the exclusive control and direction of the Company.

The entrance facility up to and including the protector and/or demarcation point will always remain under the exclusive control and ownership of the Company. The maintenance and renewal of wire facilities on private property shall be at the expense of the customer, but under the exclusive control and direction of the Company.

S4.1.4 Private Property Construction - Underground Conduit

The Company will place the necessary conduit in the street to the main pole line, property line, or rear lot line easement at no expense to the customer.

If the customer elects to have the Company construct a conduit system on private property either entrance and/or distribution, the Company will charge the customer the cost of labor and materials, plus supervision, and overhead expenses. Such conduit facilities on private property shall be at the expense of the customer, but under the exclusive control and direction of the Company.

If the customer elects to construct and install an entrance conduit system and/or distribution conduit system, the customer will construct the system in accordance with the Company's standard specifications and be subject to approval by the Company. Expense for the conduit system will be borne solely by the customer. Such conduit facilities on private property shall be at the expense of the customer, but under the exclusive control and direction of the Company.

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S4. CHARGES APPLICABLE UNDER SPECIAL CONDITIONS

S4.1 <u>Construction Charges</u> (Continued)

S4.1.5 Private Property Construction - Direct Buried Facilities

The installation of a buried facility will be provided at the customer's or builder's request where conditions permit. The final decision as to the feasibility of providing and the type and method of installation of the direct buried facility will rest at all times with the Company.

The Company will place the necessary buried facilities in the street to the main pole line, property line, or rear lot line easement at no expense to the customer.

If the customer elects to have the Company construct a direct buried facility on private property either entrance and/or distribution, the Company will charge the customer for the cost of trenching or plowing, plus supervision, and overhead expenses. Such trenching or plowing of buried facilities on private property shall be at the expense of the customer, but under the exclusive control and direction of the Company.

If the customer elects to construct and install the direct buried facility either entrance and/or distribution, the customer will construct the facility in accordance with the Company's standard specifications and be subject to approval by the Company. Expense for the direct buried facility will be borne solely by the customer. Such facilities on private property shall be at the expense of the customer, but under the exclusive control and direction of the Company.

S4.1.6 Private Property Construction - Distribution Facilities

For the construction of customer distribution wire facilities on private property, the Company will charge the customer the cost of labor and materials, plus supervision and overhead expenses. Customer distribution wire facilities constructed on private property are to be under the exclusive control of the Company as long as they are connected with the system of the Company.

The maintenance and renewal of distribution wire facilities on private property shall be at the expense of the customer, but under the exclusive control and direction of the Company.

If, and/or when the system of the Company is no longer part of the distribution facility, then control of the facility shall revert back to the customer.

S4.1.7 Special Types of Installation

When a special type of installation is desired by the customer or where the individual requirements of a particular situation make the installation unusually expensive, the customer is required to bear the excess cost of such installation.

S4.1.8 Temporary Installation

When an installation is required for temporary service and there is no immediate prospect of reusing the plant provided, the customer will be required to bear the cost of such installation over and above all other regular charges for service and equipment.

S6. COIN TELEPHONE SERVICE

S6.1 <u>Customer-Owned Coin-Operated Telephone (COCOT) Service</u>

A. Application

This section contains regulations, rates and charges applicable to Customer-Owned, Coin-Operated Telephone (COCOT) Service required by The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio Opinion and Order for Case No. 84-863-TP-COI as entered in the Journal January 29, 1985 and the Opinion and Order in Case No. 88-452-TP-COI as entered in the Journal February 21, 1990.

B. General

- 1. The Company will permit the resale of Local Telephone Service associated with Customer-Owned, Coin-Operated Telephone (COCOT) Service.
- Customer-Owned, Coin-Operated Telephone (COCOT) Service is basic exchange service provided to customers for the connection of a Customer-Owned, Coin-Operated Telephone.

C. Regulations

- 1. COCOT Service is provided on an Individual Business Access Line basis only.
- Should customers choose to provide their own wiring for use with COCOT equipment, it must meet the conditions as specified in S12.
- COCOT owners must submit a completed "Application to Provide Customer-Owned, Coin-Operated Telephone Service in the State of Ohio" to the Telephone Company prior to the connection of their service.
- 4. COCOT owners must provide service in compliance with all PUC of Ohio Rules and Regulations governing COCOTS.
- Failure to adhere to the requirements listed in this section will result in disconnection of service.
- 6. The COCOT owner may subscribe to Selective Call Screening and/or Billed Number Screening, as described in the pricelist located online at www.windstream.com. Outgoing calls placed through the toll operator must be made collect, billed to a third number or billed to a credit card. Incoming toll calls are not completed collect to the COCOT or billed with the COCOT as the billing number.

D. Charges

- 1. A monthly Access Line charge in the amount of \$13.34 shall be the proper rate to be applied to an access line to support instrument implemented smart payphones.
- A monthly Access Line charge, as indicated above in S6.1.D.1. plus \$2.03, shall be the
 proper rate to be applied to an access line that utilizes central office provided coin
 services Service.
- Service Connection Charges, as listed in S3.1 of this tariff, will apply for activation or any subsequent moves or changes in the access line service.

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S7. BASIC LOCAL ACCESS LINE SERVICE

S7.1 EXTENDED LOCAL CALLING SERVICE (ELCS)

S7.1.1 Description

- A. Extended Local Calling Service is a four-element measured rate service provided between specific intrastate exchanges.
- B. Extended Local Calling Service will be provided in lieu of new Extended Area Service (EAS), whether one-way or two-way, between specific exchanges of the Company and to exchanges of other telephone companies when ordered by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) in an Extended Area Service complaint case.
- C. All Extended Area Service existing prior to the establishment of Extended Local Calling Service will continue in its present form unless discontinued by order of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio.
- D. Extended Local Calling Service is a local service offering; therefore, any stimulation to calling volumes between exchanges that occurs after its implementation may not be used as a basis for requests for any type of flat rate toll alternative.
- E. Extended Local Calling Service is available with all classes of service and to all customers within the specific exchange.
- F. Extended Local Calling Service is restricted to customer-dialed, station-to-station, sent paid calls to the extended exchange(s) and does not apply to operator-assisted calls.

S7.1.2 Rates

- A. Implementation of Extended Local Calling Service in an exchange will not affect the monthly rate, as indicated in other sections of this tariff, for access line service.
- B. Extended Local Calling Service is provided at the following rates:

		<u>1-10 Miles</u>	<u>11-55 Miles</u>
1.	Initial Minute Rate *	\$.07	\$.07

2. Each Additional Minute Rate

To Telephone Numbers in Designated Exchanges Within the Following Distance Bands

	Monday through Friday	<u>1-10 Miles</u>	11-55 Miles
a)	8 A.M. to, but not including, 9 P.M.	\$.06	\$.07
b)	9 P.M. to, but not including, 8 A.M.	\$.05	\$.07
c)	Saturday Sunday and holidays	\$ 05	\$ 07

S7.1.3 Availability

A. Extended Local Calling Service is provided in the following exchanges:

Exchanges In Which	Exchange(s) Which	Mileage From
Service is Offered	Can Be Called	Exchange Offered
Delta	Toledo	24.17
	Holland	14.79
Marne	Frazeysburg	8.16
St. Louisville	Utica-Homer	4.74
St. Paris	Terre Haute	6.91

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S7. BASIC LOCAL ACCESS LINE SERVICE

S.7.2 MODIFIED EXTENDED LOCAL CALLING SERVICE (MELCS)

S7.2.1 Description

- A. Modified Extended Local Calling Service (MELCS) provides measured rate or optional flat rate calling between specific intrastate exchanges.
- B. MELCS is a local service offering; therefore, any stimulation to calling volumes between exchanges that occur after its implementation may not be used as a basis for any flat rate alternative besides the flat rate additives as listed in this section.
- C. MELCS is included in residence and business service in the exchanges and routes as listed in Section S7.2.3.
- MELCS is restricted to customer dialed, station to station calls, and does not include operator assisted calls.

S7.2.2. Rates

A. Implementation of MELCS in an exchange will not affect the monthly rate as indicated in other sections of this tariff.

B. Rate per minute

All measured MELCS calls are charged at \$.05 per minute for initial and additional minutes. No time of day, day of week, or holiday discounts apply to the MELCS measured rate.

S7.2.3 Availability

A. MELCS is provided in the following exchanges:

Exchanges in which Exchanges which service is offered can be called

Elyria Amherst, Avon, Avon Lake, Birmingham,

Lorain, Vermillion

Elyria Bedford, Berea, Brecksville, Chagrin Falls, Cleveland,

Gates Mills, Hillcrest, Independence, Montrose, North

Royalton, Olmstead Falls, Strongsville, Terrace,

Trinity, Victory, Wickliffe, Willoughly.

S7. BASIC LOCAL ACCESS LINE SERVICE

PILOT SERVICE PLANS (Continued)

S7.3.3 Pilot Service Plans - Per Minute Use for Measured Service

The following rates will apply per minute of use:

Contiguous Community Calling Plan	<u>1-11 Miles</u>	Over 11 Miles
Initial Minute	\$.07	\$.07
Additional Minute		
8AM to but not including 9PM	\$.06	\$.07
9PM to but not including 8AM	\$.05	\$.07

Metropolitan Calling Plan \$.07 per minute

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S7. BASIC LOCAL ACCESS LINE SERVICE

S7.4 MONTHLY RATES FOR BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

Price Flexibility

All of the Company's exchanges have been deemed competitive and have been accorded the pricing flexibility defined in 4901:6-14 (C) O.A.C. which caps BLES monthly rates at annual increases of no more than \$1.25 per line. The annual period is defined to begin on the anniversary date of this approval, which became effective June 21, 2015. For detailed exchange specific information, please see Section 7, Sheet No. 5.1.

Class of Service

<u>Exchange</u>	Residential	Residential	Business*	Business	School
	<u>Curren</u> t	<u>Max</u>	<u>Curren</u> t	<u>Max</u>	
Chesterfield	\$ 12.20 (I)	\$ 12.20 (I)	\$16.50	\$16.50	\$10.75
Columbus Station	20.00 (I)	20.00 (I)	37.90	37.90	21.40
2 Party**	18.70 (I)	18.70 (I)	-	-	-
Covington	15.30 (I)	15.30 (I)	23.70	23.70	15.50
Delta	15.30 (I)	15.30 (I)	23.70	23.70	15.15
Elyria	18.30 (I)	18.30 (I)	32.20	32.20	20.00
2 Party**	17.25 (l)	17.25 (l)	=	-	-
Granville	15.30 (I)	15.30 (I)	23.70	23.70	15.15
2 Party**	14.40 (l)	14.40 (I)	-	-	-
Gratiot	15.30 (I)	15.30 (I)	23.70	23.70	15.15
2 Party **	14.40 (I)	14.40 (I)	-	-	-
Kenton	15.30 (I)	15.30 (I)	23.70	23.70	15.15
Marne	15.30 (I)	15.30 (I)	23.70	23.70	15.15
Neapolis	15.30 (I)	15.30 (I)	23.70	23.70	15.15
Newark	15.30 (I)	15.30 (I)	23.70	23.70	15.15
2 Party **	14.40 (I)	14.40 (I)	=	-	-
Paulding	15.30 (I)	15.30 (I)	23.70	23.70	15.15
2 Party**	14.40 (I)	14.40 (I)	-	-	-
Pleasant Hill	15.30 (I)	15.30 (I)	23.70	23.70	15.15
St. Louisville	15.30 (I)	15.30 (I)	23.70	23.70	15.15
2 Party**	14.40 (I)	14.40 (I)	-		
St. Paris	15.30 (I)	15.30 (I)	23.70	23.70	15.15

^{*}Business line rate is applicable for customers with 3 or less individual lines that are sold separately. Other services and for customers subscribing to 4 or more lines are provisioned out of the Company pricelist located online at www.windstream.com.

^{**}Party line service is available only to current customers at their current service locations.

S7. BASIC LOCAL ACCESS LINE SERVICE

S7.5 Local Calling Scope

The rates as shown in Section 7.4 are monthly rates and entitle the customer to local calling to the following exchanges. Customers can call their own exchange and the Flat Rate EAS Exchanges with no per minute charge. Calling to the Measured Rate EAS Exchanges will result in a per minute local measured rate, as found in this section of the tariff.

Customer Located in Exchange:	Flat Rate EAS Exchanges, including the Local Serving Exchange:	Measured Rate EAS (ELCS, MELCS, Pilot Plans) Exchanges
Chesterfield	Wauseon	Contiguous Community Calling: Fayette, Lyons
Columbia Station	Elyria, North Eaton, Cleveland Metro ¹	
Covington	Pleasant Hill, Troy	
Delta	Wauseon	ELCS: Toledo, Holland Contiguous Community Calling: Liberty Center, Lyons, Metamora, Neapolis, Swanton
Elyria	Columbia Station, North Eaton, Grafton, Oberlin, Wellington	MELCS Option 1: Amherst, Avon, Avon Lake, Birmingham, Lorain, Vermilion MELCS Option 2: Bedford, Berea, Brecksville, Chagrin Falls, Cleveland,, Gates Mills, Hillcrest, Independence, Montrose, North Royalton, Olmstead Falls, Strongsville, Terrace, Trinity, Victory, Wickliffe, and Willoughby.
Granville	Newark, Gratiot, Marne, and St. Louisville	Contiguous Community Calling: Alexandria, Hebron, Johnstown, Pataskala Metropolitan Calling: Columbus, Worthington, Westerville, Gahanna, New Albany, Reynoldsburg, Canal Winchester, Groveport, Lockbourne, Grove City, Alton, Hilliard, Dublin
Gratiot	Newark, Granville, Marne, St. Louisville, Zanesville	
Kenton	Ridgeway,	Contiguous Community Calling: Ada, Alger, Belle Center, Dunkirk, Forest, LaRue, Marion, Mt. Victory, Upper Sandusky

¹ The Cleveland Metro includes Bedford, Berea, Brecksville, Chagrin Falls, Cleveland, Gates Mills, Hillcrest, Independence, Montrose, North Royalton, Olmsted Falls, Strongsville, Terrace, Trinity, Victory, Wickliffe, and Willoughby.

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S8. SERVICE ARRANGEMENTS

S8.1 Access Line Service

BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE (BLES)

Individual access line residential or 3 lines or less business Individual access line service. BLES is offered by the Company pursuant and in compliance with the commission's service requirements for BLES found in rule 4901:1-6-12 of the Administrative Code and 4927.01(A)(1) of the Revised Code.

S8.1.1 Individual Line Service

A. <u>Individual line service</u> is access service provided to a business or residence customer at the applicable monthly access line rate as shown in Section 7 of this tariff. Included in this service is the ability of the customer to presubscribe to the Interexchnage Carrier of the customer's choosing. The access line must be provided by the Company.

S8.1.2 Flat Rate Service

A. <u>Flat rate service</u> is furnished to the customer at the class of access line service rate indicated in Section 7 of this tariff. This rate remains consistent month-to-month, regardless of the amount of local usage.

S8.2 Demarcation Point

Demarcation Point or Network Interface is the point of interconnection between the Company's communications facilities and the terminal equipment, protective apparatus or wiring at the customer's premises. The network interface or demarcation point shall be located on the customer's side, and within 50 feet, of the Company's protector, or the equivalent thereof in cases where a protector is not employed, as provided under the local Company's reasonable and nondiscriminatory standard operating practices. A Company provided outlet will be required at the demarcation point when new customer-owned premise wiring is installed or modifications are made to existing customer-owned premise wiring.

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S8. SERVICE ARRANGEMENTS

S8.3 <u>Tel-Touch Calling Service</u>

S8.3.1 General

Tel-Touch Calling provides for the origination of telephone calls through the use of push-buttons in lieu of a rotary dial.

Tel-Touch Calling Service is furnished for use to all classes of access service, certain branch exchange and dial selection intercommunicating systems. It may be furnished to either one or both customers on a two-party line.

S8.3.2 Rates:

Business, per line

(ATL) (E/CS)† - Current \$ 5.00
 (CFLD)† - Current 2.25

S8.3.3 Application of Charges

- A. When an established service is changed from rotary dial service to Tel-Touch Calling Service, the subsequent service order, central office and visitation (if applicable) charges will apply.
- B. When a customer having Tel-Touch Calling Service changes his/her service location within an exchange or to another exchange of this Company, installation charges related to the establishment of the Tel-Touch Calling Service as indicated in S8.3.2 will not apply.

S9. POLE ATTACHMENTS AND CONDUIT AND TRENCH SYSTEM OCCUPANCY

S9.2.3 Obligation of Attachee (Continued)

- I. Occupancy of Trench System Owned by the Company (Continued)
 - d. When multiple applications, including application of the attachee are received by the Company with respect to the usage of a trench to be excavated by the Company for buried communications facilities, the Company will endeavor to equitably prorate to the extent that is possible between attachee and other applicants for trench space, the common expenses of engineering, inspection, excavation, and other associated costs which result from the processing of multiple applications. Attachee shall be bound by the Company's determination as to any such proration of costs to the attachee.
 - e. Where emergency needs of the Company require (Company's judgment as to what constitutes an emergency to be conclusive) the Company may, without incurring any liability, remove the cables, equipment and facilities of the attachee from the trench system, at the attachee's expense and shall promptly notify the attachee thereof. As soon as practicable thereafter, the Company will endeavor to make arrangements for the relocation or restoration of attachee's cables, equipment and facilities in the trench system at the attachee's expense.
 - f. The fees and charges specified in S9.3 shall be applicable to all authorizations granted to the attachee hereunder, without regard to the methods used.
 - g. All requirements of the National Electrical Safety Code referred to herein shall mean the 1977 Edition of such code, or any later amendment or replacement thereof, and shall include any additional requirements of any applicable Federal, State, County or Municipal code. References to simplify the Safety Code, or to N.E.S.C., have the same meaning.
 - h. While many of the standards and technical requirements for the attachee's cable, equipment and facilities are set forth herein, the Company reserves the right to specify the type of construction required in situations not otherwise covered in this tariff. In such cases, the Company will in its discretion furnish to the attachee written or illustrated materials which will specify and explain the required construction.

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S9. POLE ATTACHMENTS AND CONDUIT AND TRENCH SYSTEM OCCUPANCY

S9.3.1 Rates (Continued)

A. General (Continued)

2. <u>Termination of Authorization</u> Upon termination or surrender of an authorization granted hereunder, no refund of any attachment fee or occupancy fee shall be made; provided, however, that in case of any termination of any authorization pursuant to the provisions of S9.2.2.D, a proportionate refund of the applicable prepaid annual attachment fee shall be made.

b. Pole and Anchor Attachments

1. Computation of the total rate for pole and anchor attachments shall be based upon the number of poles and anchors to which attachments are actually made on December 31 of the preceding year. For the period ending December 31 of each calendar year in which the initial attachment is made to any pole or anchor, attachee shall pay to the Company an attachment fee of 50% of the annual rate per pole and per anchor, payable on the first regular payment date, based upon the number of poles and anchors on which initial attachments were made during such calendar year.

2.	Attac	Attachment Rate		
	A.	Per pole attached 1. (ATL) (CFLD) † 2. (E/CS) †	1.75 2.85	
	B.	Per anchor attached (ATL) (CFLD) (E/CS) †	9.65	

C. Conduit System Occupancy

- Computation of the total conduit occupancy rate shall be based on the measurement of duct feet of conduit from the center to the center of manholes; or from the center of a manhole to the end of the conduit system; or the length of conduit from pole to pole; or isolated lengths of conduit not attached to any structure (such as involved with buried cable) which will be occupied by the attachee's cable.
- † Due to mergers, certain rates apply to certain exchanges only. Rates indicated by (CFLD) apply to the Chesterfield exchange, rates indicated by (E/CS) apply to the Elyria and Columbia Station exchanges, and rates indicated by (ATL) apply to the Covington, Delta, Granville, Gratiot, Kenton, Marne, Neapolis, Newark, Paulding, Pleasant Hill, St. Louisville and St. Paris exchanges.

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S9. POLE ATTACHMENTS AND CONDUIT AND TRENCH SYSTEM OCCUPANCY

S9.3.1 Rates (Continued)

- C. Conduit System Occupancy (Continued)
 - 1. For the period ending December 31 of each calendar year in which the initial occupancy is made to any part of the conduit system, attachee shall pay to the Company 50% of the appropriate occupancy fee, payable on the first regular payment date.

2. Occupancy Rate

<u>Annual</u>

Per duct foot

.75

- D. Trench System Occupancy
 - Computation of the total pedestal attachment rate will be based upon the number of pedestals to which attachments are actually made, on December 31 of the preceding year. For the period ending December 31 of each calendar year in which the initial attachment is made to any pedestal, attachee shall pay an attachment fee, per pedestal, based upon the full cost and expense, including overheads to the Company.

2. Attachment Fee

Annual

Per pedestal attachment

(See 1 above)

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S9.3.2 Charges (Nonrecurring)

A. Computation

All charges for inspections, engineering, rearrangements or removals of attachee's facilities from the Company's poles, rodding, swabbing, placement or removal of cable from conduit systems; excavations in connection with the common trench system and, without limitation, any other work performed by the Company shall be based upon the full cost and expense, including overhead, to the Company for performing such work for the attachee. The cost to the Company shall be determined in accordance with the regular and customary methods used by the Company in determining such costs.

S11. UNIVERSAL EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBER SERVICE - 911

S11.5 Enhanced Emergency Number Service (E-9-1-1) (Continued)

S11.5.4 Rates and Charges (1)

A. The following rates and charges apply to the customer and are in addition to all other applicable rates and charges shown elsewhere in the tariff, or the expenses incurred by the Company from other telephone companies that participate in the provision of the service.

		Monthly Rate
(1)	ANI (per access line)	\$.05
(2)	Selective Call Routing (per access line)	.04
(3)	ALI (per access line)	.11
(4)	ANI/Selective Call Routing	
	(per access line)	.09
(5)	ANI/ALI (per access line)	.16
(6)	ANI/Selective Call Routing/ALI	
	(per access line)	.20

B. Database Charges

Nonrecurring charges associated with the establishment of the E-9-1-1 database will be based upon the costs incurred by the Company, the elements of which are subject to the review and approval of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio.

- C. Special Service Arrangement Charges
 - If E-9-1-1 Service requirements cannot be met with regularly offered service arrangements, special arrangements will be furnished when practical by the Company at charges equivalent to the costs of furnishing such arrangements. These special charges will be applicable to such items as engineering and special program development associated with billing and database management.
 - 2. Costs as referred to in this section may include, but are not limited to:
 - a. Cost of maintenance.
 - b. Cost of operation.
 - c. Depreciation on the cost installed of any facilities used to provide the special service arrangement based on the anticipated useful service life of the facilities with an appropriate allowance for the net salvage.
 - General administration expenses, including taxes on the basis of average charges for these items.
 - e. Any other item of expenses associated with the particular special service arrangement.
 - An amount, used to provide the special service arrangement, for return on investment.

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S11. UNIVERSAL EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBER SERVICE - 911 $\underline{\text{COUNTY RATE LIST}^{(1)}}$

County	Current 911 Subscriber Charge	Implementation Date for 911 Service	Effective Date for Current 911 Subscriber Charge	Initial Case No. for 911 Implementation	Most Current Case No. for 911 Review
Champaign	.20	05/01/91	05/01/93	90-1375-TP-EMG	86-911-TP-COI
Defiance	.20	9/25/97	9/25/97	97-851-TP-EMG	97-851-TP-EMG
Fulton	.20	09/11/90	09/11/92	90-1104-TP-EMG	92-1251-TP-EMG
Hardin	.20	11/09/92	11/09/92	91-965-TP-EMG	91-965-TP-EMG
Henry	.20	06/30/89	06/30/93	88-157-TP-EMG	92-537-TP-EMG
Licking	.20	06/15/90	06/15/93	89-829-TP-EMG	86-911-TP-COI
Lorain	.20	11/15/89	11/15/92	88-1607-TP-EMG	92-1468-TP-EMG
Lucas	.20	03/01/89	03/01/93	87-1284-TP-EMG	91-2201-TP-EMG
Marion	.20	02/03/88	02/03/93	87-1897-TP-EMG	92-2164-TP-EMG
Miami	.20	03/01/90	03/01/93	88-1295-TP-EMG	91-2200-TP-EMG
Muskingum	.20	06/15/90	06/15/93	87-1282-TP-EMG	92-1530-TP-EMG
Paulding	.20	9/24/96	9/24/96	95-1141-TP-EMG	95-1141-TP-EMG
Perry	.20	4/1/98	4/1/98	98-127-TP-EMG	98-127-TP-EMG
Wyandot	.2002/17/99	02/17/99	98	-1537-TP-EMG 98-1537-T	P-EMG

ABBREVIATED DIALING

- 14. ABBREVIATED DIALING (Continued)
 - 14.1. N11 Abbreviated Dialing Service (Continued)
 - 14.1.3. Rates and Charges
 - A. Application of Rates
 - 1. Nonrecurring charges shall apply for each N11number per local calling area.
 - N11 subscribers will pay the normal tariffed charges for the local exchange access arrangements used for transporting and terminating messages at the N11 subscriber's designated premises.
 - 3. Applicable service order charges as specified in Section 3 of this Tariff will apply, in addition to the following rates.
 - B. Charges applicable to the N11 Service Subscriber:
 - Establishment of N11 Service, per N11 Service number, per Host or Standalone C.O. Switch

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EXPLANATION OF SYMBOLS

- (C) Signifies changed regulation.
- (D) Signifies discontinued rate or regulation.
- (I) Signifies increased rate.
- To signify a move in the location of text. (M)
- (T)
- Signifies new rate or regulation. (N)
- Signifies reduced rate. (R)
- (S) Signifies reissued matter.
- (T) Signifies a change in text but no change in rate or regulation.

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DEFINITION OF TERMS

S1.

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S2. GENERAL REGULATIONS

S2.3 Establishment and Furnishing of Basic Local Exchange Service

S2.3.1 Availability of Facilities

The Company will comply with the rules regarding establishment of service, set forth in O.A.C. 4901:1-6-27.

- (A) The company's obligation to furnish service is dependent upon its ability to secure and retain, without unreasonable expense, suitable facilities and rights for the provisions of such service.
- (B) The rates and charges quoted in this tariff provide for the furnishing of service and facilities where suitable facilities are available or when the construction of the necessary facilities does not involve excessive costs. Excessive costs are defined in Section S4.1, which also sets forth how charges will be determined.

S2.3.2 Application for Service

A. Refusal to Provide Local Service

The Company will comply with the rules regarding denial or disconnection of local and toll service, set forth in O.A.C. 4901:1-6-12.

B. When an application for service and facilities or requests for additions, rearrangements, reallocations, or modifications of service are canceled, in whole or in part, prior to completion of the work involved, the applicant is required to reimburse the Company for all expense incurred in handling the request before notice of cancellation is received. Such charge, request before notice of cancellation is received. Such charge, however, is not to exceed all charges which would apply if the work involved in complying with the request had been completed.

Any costs due to a rearrangement of facilities caused by a suspension of a portion of a service will be borne by the customer.

- C. When facilities have been ordered for the specific needs of a customer and the installation thereof is unduly delayed by, or at the request of the customer, applicable charges as specified in S3 apply for such equipment for the period of the delay.
- D. When a customer requests a change in location of all or a part of the facilities covered by his/her application for service, or request for addition, rearrangements or modifications of his/her existing service and equipment, prior to completion of the work involved, he/she is required to pay the difference between the total cost and expenses incurred by the Company in completing the work involved and that which would have been incurred had the final location, of the facilities been specified initially.

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S2. GENERAL REGULATIONS

S2.3 Establishment and Furnishing of Basic Local Exchange Service (Continued)

S2.3.4 Transfer of Service Between Customers

- A. Service previously furnished one customer may be assumed by a new customer upon due notice of cancellation or in case of abandonment, provided there is no lapse in the rendition of service. Such transfers are subject to service connection charge regulations and may be arranged for in either of two ways:
 - 1. If the customer, fully understanding the regulations governing the service and the status of the account, willingly assumes all obligations hereunder, future bills are then rendered to him/her without an adjustment to, or from, any particular date with the Company arranging for the requested change in billing and directory listing.
 - 2. If the new customer does not wish to assume payment of the old account, a new service application is taken and an adjustment in billing is made to, and from, the date the transfer is effective.
- B. Under either method of transfer the reassignment of the old telephone number to the service of the new party is arranged for only after the former customer has given his/her consent to its use and then only when, in the judgment of the Company, there exists no relationship, business or otherwise, between the old and new customers and when, in the judgment of the Company, a change in the telephone number is not required.
- C. When a relationship does exist, business or otherwise, between the old and new customer, the reassignment of the old telephone number will not be permitted unless all charges due under the current account have been paid and then only when, in the judgment of the Company, a change in the telephone number is not required.
- D. The charges applicable for transfers of service as indicated above are the same as the service connection charges as described in S3 and rated in the Pricing Attachment, at the end of this tariff.

S2.3.5 Initial Service Periods

- A. Unless otherwise specified the service period for all services offered in this tariff is one month, commencing with the date of installation of the service.
- B. The service period relates to each applicable unit of service, either on the initial or subsequent installations.

S2.3.6 Service at Outdoor Locations

A. The Company will refuse to provide, maintain, or restore service at outdoor locations unless the customer agrees in writing to accept responsibility and to indemnify and save the Company harmless from and against any and all loss or damage that may result to equipment furnished by the Company at such locations. (T)

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S2. GENERAL REGULATIONS

S2.5 <u>Liability of the Company (Continued)</u>

S2.5.4 Ownership of and Errors in Telephone Directories

The Telephone Company assumes no liability whatsoever for damages accruing from errors or omissions in the making or printing of the directory. The Telephone Company will not be party to controversies arising between subscribers or others as a result of listings published in the directory.

S2.5.5 Defacement of Premises

The Company is not liable for any defacement of, or damage to, the premises of a customer resulting from the furnishing of service or the attachment of the instruments, apparatus and associated wiring furnished by the Company on such premises, or by the installation or removal thereof, when such defacement or damage is not the result of negligence of employees of the Company.

S2.5.6 Handling of Consumer Complaints

The Company will comply with the rules regarding the handling of consumer complaints as set forth in O.A.C. 4901:1-6-30.

S2.6 <u>Telecommunications Relay Services (TRS)</u>

Customers will be assessed a charge per line per month to fund the Telecommunication Relay Services for the State of Ohio in accordance with Section 4905.84 and Section 4901:1-6-36 of the Revised Code. This charge shall in no event exceed the per end user line (or equivalent) assessment of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio levied upon the Company.

S2.7 Lifeline Recovery Surcharge

Incumbent Local Exchange Carriers (ILECs), in accordance with Section 4927.13 (D) of the Revised Code, may recover from end users any Lifeline service discounts that are not recovered through state or federal funding or whose recovery is prohibited by law. In accordance with 4901:1-6-19(P) O.A.C., ILECs may recover these discounts through a customer billing surcharge on retail customers, excluding those with Lifeline service.

The Company's Lifeline Recovery Surcharge is calculated to recover the difference between the Company's Lifeline prices and the Company's standard retail service prices, minus any portion of the price differences that are recovered through federal or state funding. The Company will update this calculation at least once per year in accordance with 4901:1-6-19 (R) O.A.C.

The Lifeline Recovery Surcharge is imposed on each residence, nonresidence, and payphone access line, other than Lifeline service. For purposes of application of this surcharge, access lines are defined as facilities, which provide access to and from the telecommunications network for toll service and for local calling. Not included in this definition are remote call forwarding and Company official accounts.

The per line monthly rate for lifeline recovery surcharge is listed in the Pricing Attachment.

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S3. SERVICE CHARGES

S3.1 Service Connection Charges – Basic Local Exchange Service

S3.1.1 Description

The term "Service Connection Charge" refers to charges applying per occurrence to customerinitiated requests for establishment of Basic Local Exchange Service.

S3.1.2 Definition and Rates

A service connection charge results from one or more of the following work functions necessary to perform the service requested.

A. SERVICE ORDERING CHARGE

 INITIAL SERVICE ORDER CHARGE is the charge for work performed by the Company in connection with the receiving, recording, and processing of requests for the establishment or relocation of service at a new location. One Initial Service Order Charge applies for each order received. The Business and Residential nonrecurring rates are listed in the Pricing Attachment located at the end of this tariff.

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B. <u>CENTRAL OFFICE CHARGE</u> is the charge for the work associated with establishing or changing a line connection in the central office. One central office charge applies to each line connection established or changed. The Business and Residential nonrecurring rates are listed in the Pricing Attachment located at the end of this tariff.

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S3. SERVICE CHARGES

S3.1 <u>Service Connection Charges - Basic Local Exchange Service</u> (Continued)

S3.1.2 Definition and Rates (Continued)

C. <u>VISITATION CHARGE</u> is for the expense associated with traveling to a customer's premise and for work associated with the placement and connection of or inspection of drop wires at the premise. The charge includes cable cross connections, placing and/or inspection of protective devices. One visitation charge applies to each line connected. The Business and Residential nonrecurring rates are listed in the Pricing Attachment located at the end of this tariff

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S3.1.3 Application of Charges

- A. Where the service desired necessitates the use of more than one item of service subject to a service connection charge, the total charge is the sum of the separate service connection charges for each item of service furnished except as hereinafter provided.
- B. The charges specified hereinafter do not contemplate work being performed by the Company employees at a time when overtime wages apply due to the request of the customer, nor do they contemplate work begun being interrupted by the customer. If the customer requests overtime labor being performed or interruption once work is begun, a charge in addition to the specified charges will be made equal to the additional cost involved.

S3.2 Reconnect Charge

- A charge applying to restoring service following a suspension of such service for non-payment of charges.
- Service will be restored upon payment of charges due or at the discretion of the Company, a substantial portion thereof and is in addition to the reconnect charge per line. The Business and Residential nonrecurring rates are listed in the Pricing Attachment located at the end of this tariff.

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S4. CHARGES APPLICABLE UNDER SPECIAL CONDITIONS

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S4. CHARGES APPLICABLE UNDER SPECIAL CONDITIONS

S4.1 **Construction Charges**

S4.1.1 General

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Under certain conditions as hereinafter set forth, and pursuant to Chapter 4901:1-6-33 of the P.U.C.O. rules, under normal conditions, the Company, without charge, will extend new lines to reach residential basic local customers within the exchange service area, provided the cost of constructing the required line extension will not exceed the estimated annual basic local charges from such customer.

Any charges in excess of the above ("excessive costs") will be passed on to the customer except for locations at which the Company is receiving governmental funding that covers the costs of extending service to that customer

The Company may pass through all costs of extending service to any customers other than basic local customers.

Any moves of existing service required by any person or entity other than the Company or requested by the customer will be deemed a request to extend new lines and charged in accordance with the above unless the governmental entity requiring the move will pay for same. If the governmental move request impacts multiple customers, charges for the new line extensions will be borne equally by all impacted customers unless any individual customer has charges unusual to his or her situation.

Underground facilities may be provided at a customer's or a developer's request as special construction in connection with either existing or new services in lieu of the usual aerial drop wire and will be provided at the customer or developer's cost, including costs of maintenance and repair or replacement.

The duct or ducts required in the underground conduit by the Company to furnish service shall be reserved for its exclusive use. Where facilities are changed from aerial to underground, in addition to the above, the customer or developer shall be charged the cost of dismantling and removing the aerial facilities.

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S4. CHARGES APPLICABLE UNDER SPECIAL CONDITIONS

S4.1 <u>Construction Charges</u> (Continued)

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S4.1 <u>Construction Charges</u> (Continued)

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S4.1.7 Special Types of Installation

When a special type of installation is desired by the customer or where the individual requirements of a particular situation make the installation unusually expensive, the customer is required to bear the excess cost of such installation.

S4.1.8 Temporary Installation

When an installation is required for temporary service and there is no immediate prospect of reusing the plant provided, the customer will be required to bear the cost of such installation over and above all other regular charges for service and equipment.

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S6. COIN TELEPHONE SERVICE

S6.1 Customer-Owned Coin-Operated Telephone (COCOT) Service

A. Application

This section contains regulations, rates and charges applicable to Customer-Owned, Coin-Operated Telephone (COCOT) Service required by The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio Opinion and Order for Case No. 84-863-TP-COI as entered in the Journal January 29, 1985 and the Opinion and Order in Case No. 88-452-TP-COI as entered in the Journal February 21, 1990.

B General

- The Company will permit the resale of Local Telephone Service associated with Customer-Owned, Coin-Operated Telephone (COCOT) Service.
- Customer-Owned, Coin-Operated Telephone (COCOT) Service is basic exchange service provided to customers for the connection of a Customer-Owned, Coin-Operated Telephone.

C. Regulations

- 1. COCOT Service is provided on an Individual Business Access Line basis only.
- Should customers choose to provide their own wiring for use with COCOT equipment, it must meet the conditions as specified in S12.
- COCOT owners must submit a completed "Application to Provide Customer-Owned, Coin-Operated Telephone Service in the State of Ohio" to the Telephone Company prior to the connection of their service.
- COCOT owners must provide service in compliance with all PUC of Ohio Rules and Regulations governing COCOTS.
- 5. Failure to adhere to the requirements listed in this section will result in disconnection of service.
- 6. The COCOT owner may subscribe to Selective Call Screening and/or Billed Number Screening, as described in the pricelist located online at www.windstream.com. Outgoing calls placed through the toll operator must be made collect, billed to a third number or billed to a credit card. Incoming toll calls are not completed collect to the COCOT or billed with the COCOT as the billing number.

D. Charges

- 1. A monthly Access Line charge listed in the Pricing Attachment shall be the proper rate to be (M)(T) applied to an access line to support instrument implemented smart payphones.
- 2. A monthly Access Line charge, as indicated above in S6.1.D.1. plus an additional fee listed in the Pricing Attachment, shall be the proper rate to be applied to an access line that utilizes central office provided coin services Service. (M)(T)
- 2. Service Connection Charges, as listed in S3.1 of this tariff, will apply for activation or any subsequent moves or changes in the access line service.
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S7. BASIC LOCAL ACCESS LINE SERVICE

S7.1 EXTENDED LOCAL CALLING SERVICE (ELCS)

S7.1.1 Description

- A. Extended Local Calling Service is a four-element measured rate service provided between specific intrastate exchanges.
- B. Extended Local Calling Service will be provided in lieu of new Extended Area Service (EAS), whether one-way or two-way, between specific exchanges of the Company and to exchanges of other telephone companies when ordered by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) in an Extended Area Service complaint case.
- C. All Extended Area Service existing prior to the establishment of Extended Local Calling Service will continue in its present form unless discontinued by order of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio.
- D. Extended Local Calling Service is a local service offering; therefore, any stimulation to calling volumes between exchanges that occurs after its implementation may not be used as a basis for requests for any type of flat rate toll alternative.
- E. Extended Local Calling Service is available with all classes of service and to all customers within the specific exchange.
- F. Extended Local Calling Service is restricted to customer-dialed, station-to-station, sent paid calls to the extended exchange(s) and does not apply to operator-assisted calls.

S7.1.2 Rates

- A. Implementation of Extended Local Calling Service in an exchange will not affect the monthly rate, as indicated in other sections of this tariff, for access line service.
- B. Extended Local Calling Service is provided at the rates listed in the Pricing Attachment located at the end of this tariff.



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S7.1.3 Availability

A. Extended Local Calling Service is provided in the following exchanges:

Exchanges In Which	Exchange(s) Which	Mileage From
Service is Offered	Can Be Called	Exchange Offered
Delta	Toledo	24.17
	Holland	14.79
Marne	Frazeysburg	8.16
St. Louisville	Utica-Homer	4.74
St. Paris	Terre Haute	6.91

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S7. BASIC LOCAL ACCESS LINE SERVICE

S.7.2 MODIFIED EXTENDED LOCAL CALLING SERVICE (MELCS)

S7.2.1 Description

- A. Modified Extended Local Calling Service (MELCS) provides measured rate or optional flat rate calling between specific intrastate exchanges.
- B. MELCS is a local service offering; therefore, any stimulation to calling volumes between exchanges that occur after its implementation may not be used as a basis for any flat rate alternative besides the flat rate additives as listed in this section.
- C. MELCS is included in residence and business service in the exchanges and routes as listed in Section S7.2.3.
- MELCS is restricted to customer dialed, station to station calls, and does not include operator assisted calls.

S7.2.2. Rates

A. Implementation of MELCS in an exchange will not affect the monthly rate as indicated in other sections of this tariff.

B. Rate per minute

All measured MELCS calls are charged a per minute rate listed in the Pricing Attachment. No time of day, day of week, or holiday discounts apply to the MELCS measured rate.

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S7.2.3 Availability

A. MELCS is provided in the following exchanges:

Exchanges in which Exchanges which service is offered can be called

Elyria Amherst, Avon, Avon Lake, Birmingham,

Lorain, Vermillion

Elyria Bedford, Berea, Brecksville, Chagrin Falls, Cleveland,

Gates Mills, Hillcrest, Independence, Montrose, North Royalton, Olmstead Falls, Strongsville, Terrace,

Trinity, Victory, Wickliffe, Willoughly.

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S7. BASIC LOCAL ACCESS LINE SERVICE

PILOT SERVICE PLANS (Continued)

S7.3.3 Pilot Service Plans - Per Minute Use for Measured Service

The rates for each Service Plan as listed in the Pricing Attachment will apply per minute of use.

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S7. BASIC LOCAL ACCESS LINE SERVICE

S7.4 MONTHLY RATES FOR BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

Price Flexibility

All of the Company's exchanges have been deemed competitive and have been accorded the pricing flexibility defined in 4901:6-14 (C) O.A.C. which caps BLES monthly rates at annual increases of no more than \$2.00 per line. The annual period is defined to begin on the anniversary date of this approval, which became effective June 21, 2015. For detailed exchange specific information, please see Section 7, Sheet No. 5.1. The Residential, Business and School rates for each Exchange are listed in the Pricing Attachment located at the end of this tariff. Party line service is available only to current customers at their current service locations. Business line rates are applicable for customers with 3 or less individual lines that are sold separately. Other services and for customers subscribing to 4 or more lines are provisioned out of the Company pricelist located online at www.windstream.com.

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S7. BASIC LOCAL ACCESS LINE SERVICE

S7.5 Local Calling Scope

The rates as shown in the Pricing Attachment at the end of this tariff, are monthly rates and entitle the customer to local calling to the following exchanges. Customers can call their own exchange and the Flat Rate EAS Exchanges with no per minute charge. Calling to the Measured Rate EAS Exchanges will result in a per minute local measured rate, as found in the Pricing Attachment of the tariff.

Customer Located in Flat Rate EAS Exchanges, including Measured Rate EAS (ELCS, MELCS, Pilot Plans) Exchanges Exchange: the Local Serving Exchange: Chesterfield Wauseon Contiguous Community Calling: Fayette, Lyons Columbia Station Elyria, North Eaton, Cleveland Metro¹ Covington Pleasant Hill, Troy Delta Wauseon ELCS: Toledo, Holland Contiguous Community Calling: Liberty Center, Lyons, Metamora, Neapolis, Swanton Columbia Station, North Eaton, Grafton, MELCS Option 1: Amherst, Avon, Avon Elyria Lake, Birmingham, Lorain, Vermilion Oberlin, Wellington MELCS Option 2: Bedford, Berea, Brecksville, Chagrin Falls, Cleveland, , Gates Mills, Hillcrest, Independence, Montrose, North Royalton, Olmstead Falls, Strongsville, Terrace, Trinity, Victory, Wickliffe, and Willoughby. Granville Newark, Gratiot, Marne, and St. Louisville Contiguous Community Calling: Alexandria, Hebron, Johnstown, Pataskala Metropolitan Calling: Columbus, Worthington, Westerville, Gahanna, New Albany, Reynoldsburg, Canal Winchester, Groveport, Lockbourne, Grove City, Alton, Hilliard, Dublin Gratiot Newark, Granville, Marne, St. Louisville, Zanesville Kenton Ridgeway, Contiguous Community Calling: Ada, Alger, Belle Center, Dunkirk, Forest, LaRue, Marion, Mt. Victory, Upper Sandusky

¹ The Cleveland Metro includes Bedford, Berea, Brecksville, Chagrin Falls, Cleveland, Gates Mills, Hillcrest, Independence, Montrose, North Royalton, Olmsted Falls, Strongsville, Terrace, Trinity, Victory, Wickliffe, and Willoughby.

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S8. SERVICE ARRANGEMENTS

S8.1 Access Line Service

BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE (BLES)

Individual access line residential or 3 lines or less business Individual access line service. BLES is offered by the Company pursuant and in compliance with the commission's service requirements for BLES found in rule 4901:1-6-12 of the Administrative Code and 4927.01(A)(1) of the Revised Code.

S8.1.1 Individual Line Service

A. Individual line service is access service provided to a business or residence customer at the applicable monthly access line rate as shown in the Pricing Attachment at the end of this tariff. Included in this service is the ability of the customer to presubscribe to the Interexchange Carrier of the customer's choosing. The access line must be provided by the Company.

S8.1.2 Flat Rate Service

A. <u>Flat rate service</u> is furnished to the customer at the class of access line service rate listed in the Pricing Attachment at the end of this tariff. This rate remains consistent month-to-month, regardless of the amount of local usage.

S8.2 Demarcation Point

Demarcation Point or Network Interface is the point of interconnection between the Company's communications facilities and the terminal equipment, protective apparatus or wiring at the customer's premises. The network interface or demarcation point shall be located on the customer's side, and within 50 feet, of the Company's protector, or the equivalent thereof in cases where a protector is not employed, as provided under the local Company's reasonable and nondiscriminatory standard operating practices. A Company provided outlet will be required at the demarcation point when new customer-owned premise wiring is installed or modifications are made to existing customer-owned premise wiring.

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S8. SERVICE ARRANGEMENTS

S8.3 Tel-Touch Calling Service

S8.3.1 General

Tel-Touch Calling provides for the origination of telephone calls through the use of push-buttons in lieu of a rotary dial.

Tel-Touch Calling Service is furnished for use to all classes of access service, certain branch exchange and dial selection intercommunicating systems. It may be furnished to either one or both customers on a two-party line.

S8.3.2 Rates:

The Business per line rates are located in the Pricing Attachment located at the end of this tariff.

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S8.3.3 Application of Charges

- A. When an established service is changed from rotary dial service to Tel-Touch Calling Service, the subsequent service order, central office and visitation (if applicable) charges will apply.
- B. When a customer having Tel-Touch Calling Service changes his/her service location within an exchange or to another exchange of this Company, installation charges related to the establishment of the Tel-Touch Calling Service as indicated in S8.3.2 will not apply.

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S9. POLE ATTACHMENTS AND CONDUIT AND TRENCH SYSTEM OCCUPANCY

S9.2.3 Obligation of Attachee (Continued)

- I. Occupancy of Trench System Owned by the Company (Continued)
 - d. When multiple applications, including application of the attachee are received by the Company with respect to the usage of a trench to be excavated by the Company for buried communications facilities, the Company will endeavor to equitably prorate to the extent that is possible between attachee and other applicants for trench space, the common expenses of engineering, inspection, excavation, and other associated costs which result from the processing of multiple applications. Attachee shall be bound by the Company's determination as to any such proration of costs to the attachee.
 - e. Where emergency needs of the Company require (Company's judgment as to what constitutes an emergency to be conclusive) the Company may, without incurring any liability, remove the cables, equipment and facilities of the attachee from the trench system, at the attachee's expense and shall promptly notify the attachee thereof. As soon as practicable thereafter, the Company will endeavor to make arrangements for the relocation or restoration of attachee's cables, equipment and facilities in the trench system at the attachee's expense.
 - f. The fees and charges specified in S9.3 and the Pricing Attachment at the end of this tariff, shall be applicable to all authorizations granted to the attachee hereunder, without regard to the methods used.
 - g. All requirements of the National Electrical Safety Code referred to herein shall mean the 1977 Edition of such code, or any later amendment or replacement thereof, and shall include any additional requirements of any applicable Federal, State, County or Municipal code. References to simplify the Safety Code, or to N.E.S.C., have the same meaning.
 - h. While many of the standards and technical requirements for the attachee's cable, equipment and facilities are set forth herein, the Company reserves the right to specify the type of construction required in situations not otherwise covered in this tariff. In such cases, the Company will in its discretion furnish to the attachee written or illustrated materials which will specify and explain the required construction.

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S9. POLE ATTACHMENTS AND CONDUIT AND TRENCH SYSTEM OCCUPANCY

S9.3.1 Rates (Continued)

A. General (Continued)

2. <u>Termination of Authorization</u> Upon termination or surrender of an authorization granted hereunder, no refund of any attachment fee or occupancy fee shall be made; provided, however, that in case of any termination of any authorization pursuant to the provisions of S9.2.2.D, a proportionate refund of the applicable prepaid annual attachment fee shall be made.

b. Pole and Anchor Attachments

- 1. Computation of the total rate for pole and anchor attachments shall be based upon the number of poles and anchors to which attachments are actually made on December 31 of the preceding year. For the period ending December 31 of each calendar year in which the initial attachment is made to any pole or anchor, attachee shall pay to the Company an attachment fee of 50% of the annual rate per pole and per anchor, payable on the first regular payment date, based upon the number of poles and anchors on which initial attachments were made during such calendar year.
- 2. The annual per pole and per anchor attachment rate are listed in the Pricing Attachment, at the end of this tariff.
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C. Conduit System Occupancy

- Computation of the total conduit occupancy rate shall be based on the measurement of duct feet of conduit from the center to the center of manholes; or from the center of a manhole to the end of the conduit system; or the length of conduit from pole to pole; or isolated lengths of conduit not attached to any structure (such as involved with buried cable) which will be occupied by the attachee's cable.
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S9.3.1 Rates (Continued)

- C. Conduit System Occupancy (Continued)
 - 1. For the period ending December 31 of each calendar year in which the initial occupancy is made to any part of the conduit system, attachee shall pay to the Company 50% of the appropriate occupancy fee, payable on the first regular payment date.
 - 2. The annual per duct foot occupancy rate is listed in the Pricing Attachment, at the end of this tariff.

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- D. Trench System Occupancy
 - Computation of the total pedestal attachment rate will be based upon the number of pedestals to which attachments are actually made, on December 31 of the preceding year. For the period ending December 31 of each calendar year in which the initial attachment is made to any pedestal, attachee shall pay an attachment fee, per pedestal, based upon the full cost and expense, including overheads to the Company.
 - 2. Attachment Fee

Annual

Per pedestal attachment

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S9.3.2 Charges (Nonrecurring)

A. Computation

All charges for inspections, engineering, rearrangements or removals of attachee's facilities from the Company's poles, rodding, swabbing, placement or removal of cable from conduit systems; excavations in connection with the common trench system and, without limitation, any other work performed by the Company shall be based upon the full cost and expense, including overhead, to the Company for performing such work for the attachee. The cost to the Company shall be determined in accordance with the regular and customary methods used by the Company in determining such costs.

(M) Rates previously found on this page are now found in the Pricing Attachment, at the end of this tariff.

S11. UNIVERSAL EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBER SERVICE - 911

S11.5 Enhanced Emergency Number Service (E-9-1-1) (Continued)

S11.5.4 Rates and Charges (1)

A. The rates and charges listed in the Pricing Attachment at the end of this tariff, apply to the customer and are in addition to all other applicable rates and charges shown elsewhere in the tariff, or the expenses incurred by the Company from other telephone companies that participate in the provision of the service.

Monthly Rate

ANI (per access line)	See Pricing Attachment
Selective Call Routing (per access line)	See Pricing Attachment
ALI (per access line)	See Pricing Attachment
ANI/Selective Call Routing	_
(per access line)	See Pricing Attachment
ANI/ALI (per access line)	See Pricing Attachment
ANI/Selective Call Routing/ALI	
(per access line)	See Pricing Attachment
	Selective Call Routing (per access line) ALI (per access line) ANI/Selective Call Routing (per access line) ANI/ALI (per access line) ANI/Selective Call Routing/ALI

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B. Database Charges

Nonrecurring charges associated with the establishment of the E-9-1-1 database will be based upon the costs incurred by the Company, the elements of which are subject to the review and approval of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio.

- C. Special Service Arrangement Charges
 - If E-9-1-1 Service requirements cannot be met with regularly offered service arrangements, special arrangements will be furnished when practical by the Company at charges equivalent to the costs of furnishing such arrangements. These special charges will be applicable to such items as engineering and special program development associated with billing and database management.
 - 2. Costs as referred to in this section may include, but are not limited to:
 - a. Cost of maintenance.
 - b. Cost of operation.
 - c. Depreciation on the cost installed of any facilities used to provide the special service arrangement based on the anticipated useful service life of the facilities with an appropriate allowance for the net salvage.
 - General administration expenses, including taxes on the basis of average charges for these items.
 - e. Any other item of expenses associated with the particular special service arrangement.
 - f. An amount, used to provide the special service arrangement, for return on investment.
- (M) Rates previously found on this page are now found in the Pricing Attachment, at the end of this tariff.

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Section 11

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GENERAL EXCHANGE TARIFF P.U.C.O. NO. 2

S11. UNIVERSAL EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBER SERVICE - 911

COUNTY RATE LIST(1)

The 911 Subscriber Charge for each county is listed in the Pricing Attachment located at the end of this tariff

County		Effective Date for Current 911 Subscriber Charge	Initial Case No. for 911 Implementation	Most Current Case No. for 911 Review	
Champaign	05/01/91	05/01/93	90-1375-TP-EMG	86-911-TP-COI	(M)
Defiance	9/25/97	9/25/97	97-851-TP-EMG	97-851-TP-EMG	(M)
Fulton	09/11/90	09/11/92	90-1104-TP-EMG	92-1251-TP-EMG	(M)
Hardin	11/09/92	11/09/92	91-965-TP-EMG	91-965-TP-EMG	(M)
Henry	06/30/89	06/30/93	88-157-TP-EMG	92-537-TP-EMG	(M)
Licking	06/15/90	06/15/93	89-829-TP-EMG	86-911-TP-COI	(M)
Lorain	11/15/89	11/15/92	88-1607-TP-EMG	92-1468-TP-EMG	(M)
Lucas	03/01/89	03/01/93	87-1284-TP-EMG	91-2201-TP-EMG	(M)
Marion	02/03/88	02/03/93	87-1897-TP-EMG	92-2164-TP-EMG	
Miami	03/01/90	03/01/93	88-1295-TP-EMG	91-2200-TP-EMG	(M)
Muskingum	06/15/90	06/15/93	87-1282-TP-EMG	92-1530-TP-EMG	(M)
Paulding	9/24/96	9/24/96	95-1141-TP-EMG	95-1141-TP-EMG	(M)
Perry	4/1/98	4/1/98	98-127-TP-EMG	98-127-TP-EMG	(M)
Wyandot	02/17/99	02/17/99	98-1537-TP-EMG	98-1537-TP-EMG	(M)

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GENERAL EXCHANGE TARIFF P.U.C.O. No. 2

ABBREVIATED DIALING

- ABBREVIATED DIALING (Continued)
 - 14.1. N11 Abbreviated Dialing Service (Continued)
 - 14.1.3. Rates and Charges
 - A. Application of Rates
 - 1. Nonrecurring charges shall apply for each N11number per local calling area.
 - N11 subscribers will pay the normal tariffed charges for the local exchange access arrangements used for transporting and terminating messages at the N11 subscriber's designated premises.
 - 3. Applicable service order charges as specified in Section 3 of this Tariff will apply, in addition to the following rates.
 - B. Charges applicable to the N11 Service Subscriber:
 - The nonrecurring rate for the establishment of N11 service, per N11 service number, per Host or Standalone C.O. Switch is listed in the Pricing Attachment located at the end of this tariff.

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GENERAL EXCHANGE TARIFF P.U.C.O. No. 2

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Service Type	Category	Service Description	Rate Application	NRC	MRC	
Business	Basic Local Exchange Service	Chesterfield	Per Month		\$16.50	
Business	Basic Local Exchange Service	Columbus Station	Per Month		\$37.90	
Business	Basic Local Exchange Service	Covington	Per Month		\$23.70	
Business	Basic Local Exchange Service	Delta	Per Month		\$23.70	
Business	Basic Local Exchange Service	Elyria	Per Month		\$32.20	
Business	Basic Local Exchange Service	Granville	Per Month		\$23.70	
Business	Basic Local Exchange Service	Gratiot	Per Month		\$23.70	
Business	Basic Local Exchange Service	Kenton	Per Month		\$23.70	
Business	Basic Local Exchange Service	Marne	Per Month		\$23.70	
Business	Basic Local Exchange Service	Neapolis	Per Month		\$23.70	
Business	Basic Local Exchange Service	Newark	Per Month		\$23.70	
Business	Basic Local Exchange Service	Paulding	Per Month		\$23.70	
Business	Basic Local Exchange Service	Pleasant Hill	Per Month		\$23.70	
Business	Basic Local Exchange Service	St. Louisville	Per Month		\$23.70	
Business	Basic Local Exchange Service	St. Paris	Per Month		\$23.70	
Business	Basic Local Exchange Service - School	Chesterfield	Per Month		\$10.75	
Business	Basic Local Exchange Service - School	Columbus Station	Per Month		\$21.40	
Business	Basic Local Exchange Service - School	Covington	Per Month		\$15.50	
Business	Basic Local Exchange Service - School	Delta	Per Month		\$15.15	
Business	Basic Local Exchange Service - School	Elyria	Per Month		\$20.00	
Business	Basic Local Exchange Service - School	Granville	Per Month		\$15.15	
Business	Basic Local Exchange Service - School	Gratiot	Per Month		\$15.15	
Business	Basic Local Exchange Service - School	Kenton	Per Month		\$15.15	
Business	Basic Local Exchange Service - School	Marne	Per Month		\$15.15	

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Service Type	Category	Service Description	Rate Application	NRC	MRC
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Business	Basic Local Exchange Service - School	Neapolis	Per Month		\$15.15
Business	Basic Local Exchange Service - School	Newark	Per Month		\$15.15
Business	Basic Local Exchange Service - School	Paulding	Per Month		\$15.15
Business	Basic Local Exchange Service - School	Pleasant Hill	Per Month		\$15.15

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Service Type	Category	Service Description	Rate Application	NRC	MRC
Business	Basic Local Exchange Service - School	St. Louisville	Per Month		\$15.15
Business	Basic Local Exchange Service - School	St. Paris	Per Month		\$15.15
Business	Customer-Owned Coin- Operated Telephone (COCOT) Service	Monthly Access Line (Central Office Provided Coin Service)	Per Minute		\$2.03
Business	Customer-Owned Coin- Operated Telephone (COCOT) Service	Monthly Access Line (Smart Payphone)	Per Minute		\$13.34
Business	Enhanced Emergency Number Service	911 Subscriber Charge	Per Line		\$0.20
Business	Enhanced Emergency Number Service	ALI (per access line)	Per Line		\$0.11
Business	Enhanced Emergency Number Service	ANI (per access line)	Per Line		\$0.05
Business	Enhanced Emergency Number Service	ANI/ALI (per access line)	Per Line		\$0.16
Business	Enhanced Emergency Number Service	ANI/Selective Call Routing (per access line)	Per Line		\$0.09
Business	Enhanced Emergency Number Service	Selective Call Routing (per access line)	Per Line		\$0.04
Business	Extended Local Calling Service	8 A.M. to, but not including, 9 P.M. 1-10 Miles	Per Minute		\$0.06
Business	Extended Local Calling Service	9 P.M. to, but not including, 8 A.M. 1-10 Miles	Per Minute		\$0.05
Business	Extended Local Calling Service	9 P.M. to, but not including, 8 A.M. 11-55 Miles	Per Minute		\$0.07
Business	Extended Local Calling Service	A.M. to, but not including, 9 P.M. 11-55 Miles	Per Minute		\$0.07
Business	Extended Local Calling Service	Initial Minute Rate 1-10 Miles	Per Minute		\$0.07
Business	Extended Local Calling Service	Initial Minute Rate 11-55 Miles	Per Minute		\$0.07
Business	Extended Local Calling Service	Saturday, Sunday and holidays 1-10 Miles	Per Minute		\$0.05
Business	Extended Local Calling Service	Saturday, Sunday and holidays 11-55 Miles	Per Minute		\$0.07
Business	Late Payment Charges	Non-Residential Late Payment Charges	Per Activation		\$10.00
Business	Late Payment Charges	Restoral of Service Charge	Per Service Order		\$100.00
Business	Late Payment Charges	Unpaid Balance	Per Invoice	Greater of \$10 or 1.5% of unpaid charges	

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Service Type	Category	Service Description	Rate Application	NRC	MRC
Business	MELCS	MELC usage	Per Minute		\$0.05
Business	N11 Abbreviated Dialing Service	Establishment of N11 Service	Per Service Order	\$500.00	
Business	Pilot Service Plans	8AM to but not including 9PM 1-11 Miles	Per Minute		\$0.06
Business	Pilot Service Plans	8AM to but not including 9PM Over 11 Miles	Per Minute		\$0.07
Business	Pilot Service Plans	9PM to but not including 8AM 1-11 Miles	Per Minute		\$0.05
Business	Pilot Service Plans	9PM to but not including 8AM Over 11 Miles	Per Minute		\$0.07
Business	Pilot Service Plans	Initial Minute 1-11 Miles	Per Minute		\$0.07

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Service Type	Category	Service Description	Rate Application	NRC	MRC		
Business	Pilot Service Plans	Initial Minute Over 11 Miles	Per Minute		\$0.07		
Business	Pilot Service Plans	Metropolitan Calling Plan	Per Minute		\$0.07		
Business	Pole Attachments and Conduit and Trench System	Anchor	Per Anchor		\$9.65		
Business	Pole Attachments and Conduit and Trench System	Conduit System	Per Duct foot		\$0.75		
Business	Pole Attachments and Conduit and Trench System	Pole Attachments Per Pole (ATL & CFLD)	Per Pole		\$1.75		
Business	Pole Attachments and Conduit and Trench System	Pole Attachments Per Pole (E/CS)	Per Pole		\$2.85		
Business	Pole Attachments and Conduit and Trench System	Trench System Occupancy	Per Pedestal		See Section 9 .3.1 (D) (1)		
Business	Reconnect Charge	Reconnect Charge (ATL)	Per Order	\$21.00			
Business	Reconnect Charge	Reconnect Charge (CLFD)	Per Order	\$12.00			
Business	Reconnect Charge	Reconnect Charge (E/CS)	Per Order	\$15.50			
Business	Service Connection	Central Office Charge (ATL)	Per Order	\$14.15			
Business	Service Connection	Central Office Charge (E/CS)	Per Order	\$10.75			
Business	Service Connection	Initial Service Order (ATL)	Per Order	\$25.35			
Business	Service Connection	Initial Service Order (E/CS)	Per Order	\$18.75			
Business	Service Connection	Visitation Charge (ATL)	Per Order	\$19.20			
Business	Service Connection	Visitation Charge (E/CS)	Per Order	\$16.75			
Business	Tel-Touch Calling Service	Business, per line (ATL) (E/CS)	Per Line		\$5.00		
Business	Tel-Touch Calling Service	Business, per line (CFLD)	Per Line		\$2.25		
Residential	Basic Local Exchange Service	Chesterfield	Per Month		\$14.20 (I)		
Residential	Basic Local Exchange Service	Columbus Station	Per Month		\$22.00 (I)		
Residential	Basic Local Exchange Service	Columbus Station 2 Party	Per Month		\$18.70		

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Service Type	Category	Service Description	Rate Application	NRC	MRC
Residential	Basic Local Exchange Service	Covington	Per Month		\$17.30 (I)
Residential	Basic Local Exchange Service	Delta	Per Month		\$17.30 (I)
Residential	Basic Local Exchange Service	Elyria	Per Month		\$20.30 (I)
Residential	Basic Local Exchange Service	Elyria 2 Party	Per Month		\$17.25
Residential	Basic Local Exchange Service	Granville	Per Month		\$17.30 (I)
Residential	Basic Local Exchange Service	Granville 2 Party	Per Month		\$14.40
Residential	Basic Local Exchange Service	Gratiot	Per Month		\$17.30 (I)

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Service Type	Category	Service Description	Rate Application	NRC	MRC	
Residential	Basic Local Exchange Service	Gratiot 2 Party	Per Month		\$14.40	
Residential	Basic Local Exchange Service	Kenton	Per Month		\$17.30 (I)	
Residential	Basic Local Exchange Service	Marne	Per Month		\$17.30 (I)	
Residential	Basic Local Exchange Service	Neapolis	Per Month		\$17.30 (I)	
Residential	Basic Local Exchange Service	Newark	Per Month		\$17.30 (I)	
Residential	Basic Local Exchange Service	Newark 2 Party	Per Month		\$14.40	
Residential	Basic Local Exchange Service	Paulding	Per Month		\$17.30 (I)	
Residential	Basic Local Exchange Service	Paulding2 Party	Per Month		\$14.40	
Residential	Basic Local Exchange Service	Pleasant Hill	Per Month		\$17.30 (I)	
Residential	Basic Local Exchange Service	St. Louisville	Per Month		\$17.30 (I)	
Residential	Basic Local Exchange Service	St. Louisville 2 Party	Per Month		\$14.40	
Residential	Basic Local Exchange Service	St. Paris	Per Month		\$17.30 (I)	
Residential	Extended Local Calling Service	8 A.M. to, but not including, 9 P.M. 1-10 Miles	Per Minute		\$0.06	
Residential	Extended Local Calling Service	9 P.M. to, but not including, 8 A.M. 1-10 Miles	Per Minute		\$0.05	
Residential	Extended Local Calling Service	9 P.M. to, but not including, 8 A.M. 11-55 Miles	Per Minute		\$0.07	
Residential	Extended Local Calling Service	A.M. to, but not including, 9 P.M. 11-55 Miles	Per Minute		\$0.07	
Residential	Extended Local Calling Service	Initial Minute Rate 1-10 Miles	Per Minute		\$0.07	
Residential	Extended Local Calling Service	Initial Minute Rate 11-55 Miles	Per Minute		\$0.07	
Residential	Extended Local Calling Service	Saturday, Sunday and holidays 1-10 Miles	Per Minute		\$0.05	
Residential	Extended Local Calling Service	Saturday, Sunday and holidays 11-55 Miles	Per Minute		\$0.07	
Residential	Late Payment Charges	Residential Late Payment Charges	Per Activation		\$25.00	
Residential	Late Payment Charges	Unpaid Balance	Per Invoice	Greater of \$5 or 1.5% of unpaid charges		

GENERAL EXCHANGE TARIFF P.U.C.O. No. 2

Service Type	Category	Service Description	Rate Application	NRC	MRC
Residential	Lifeline	Lifeline Recovery Surcharge	Per Month		\$0.03
Residential	MELCS	MELC usage	Per Minute		\$0.05
Residential	Pilot Service Plans	8AM to but not including 9PM 1-11 Miles	Per Minute		\$0.06
Residential	Pilot Service Plans	8AM to but not including 9PM Over 11 Miles	Per Minute		\$0.07
Residential	Pilot Service Plans	9PM to but not including 8AM 1-11 Miles	Per Minute		\$0.05
Residential	Pilot Service Plans	9PM to but not including 8AM Over 11 Miles	Per Minute		\$0.07

GENERAL EXCHANGE TARIFF P.U.C.O. No. 2

Service Type	Category	Service Description	Rate Application	NRC	MRC
Residential	Pilot Service Plans	Initial Minute 1-11 Miles	Per Minute		\$0.07
Residential	Pilot Service Plans	Initial Minute Over 11 Miles	Per Minute		\$0.07
Residential	Pilot Service Plans	Metropolitan Calling Plan	Per Minute		\$0.07
Residential	Reconnect Charge	Reconnect Charge (ATL)	Per Order	\$21.00	
Residential	Reconnect Charge	Reconnect Charge (CLFD)	Per Order	\$12.00	
Residential	Reconnect Charge	Reconnect Charge (E/CS)	Per Order	\$15.50	
Residential	Service Connection	Central Office Charge (ATL)	Per Order	\$12.05	
Residential	Service Connection	Central Office Charge (E/CS)	Per Order	\$9.00	
Residential	Service Connection	Initial Service Order (ATL)	Per Order	\$18.90	
Residential	Service Connection	Initial Service Order (E/CS)	Per Order	\$14.00	
Residential	Service Connection	Visitation Charge (ATL)	Per Order	\$21.90	
Residential	Service Connection	Visitation Charge (E/CS)	Per Order	\$18.25	

EXHIBIT C

Windstream Ohio General Exchange Tariff Revisions

With this filing Windstream Ohio ("Windstream") seeks to increase single Residential access line rates by \$2.00 for all exchanges and revises the verbiage for installations and excessive costs.

Windstream has also moved all the rates from their various locations throughout the tariff, and put them in a Pricing Attachment section at the end; Windstream anticipates that this will make finding rates easier for customers, as well as save the Commission time when reviewing any future rate changes, as it will decrease the volume of pages being submitted.

EXHIBIT D

Bill Message R1 up to \$2 States

At Kinetic by Windstream, we strive to provide our customers with the highest quality services at affordable rates to keep you connected to family and friends. As we work to improve the overall experience for our customers, it is sometimes necessary to adjust our product offerings and prices.

We wanted to make you aware that starting on July 1st, 2021 your residential access line rate will increase by up to \$2.00 per month.

We look forward to continuing to care for all your communications needs and are always seeking ways to improve your communication experience. Thank you for being a valued Kinetic by Windstream customer- we appreciate your business.

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