# \_The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

# TELECOMMUNICATIONS FILING FORM

(Effective: 04-01-2020)

# Per the Commission's 5/29/2019 "Implementation Order" in Case No. 19-0173-TP-ORD

This form is intended to be used with most types of required filings. It provide check boxes with rule references for the most common types of filings. It does not replace or supersede Commission rules in anyway.

In the Matter of the Application of Windstream Western Reserve	)	TRF Docket No	o. 90- 5045 -TP-TRF
to Move Prices to a Pricing Attachment at the end of the Tariff	)	Case No	-TP-
	)	NOTE: Unless you	a have reserved a Case #, leav
	)	the "Case No." fie	ld BLANK.
Name of Registrant(s) Windstream Western Reserve			
DBA(s) of Registrant(s)			
Address of Registrant(s) 4001 Rodney Parham Road, Little Rock, Arka	nsas 72212		
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Consumer Contact Information Yvette Gibson		Phone ()_	_ <del>-</del>
Address (if different from above) Click here to enter text.			
Motion for protective order included with filing? $\Box$ Yes $\boxtimes$ No			
Motion for waiver(s) filed affecting this case? $\square$ Yes $\boxtimes$ No [Note: V	Waivers ma	y toll any automa	atic timeframe.]
Notes:			
Sections I and II are pursuant to Ohio Administrative Code (OAC)	4901:1-6.		
Section III – Part I - Carrier to Carrier is pursuant to OAC 4901:1-7		tachment to OA	C 4901:1-3
Section III – Part II - Wireless is pursuant to OAC 4901:1-6-24.			
Section IV – Attestation.			
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- (1) Indicate the Carrier Type and the reason for submitting this form by checking the boxes below.
- (2) For requirements for various applications, see identified section of the Ohio Administrative 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 <a href="https://www.PUCO.ohio.gov">www.PUCO.ohio.gov</a> under the docketing information system section (Procedural filing requirements), 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.
С	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).

<u>Carrier Type:</u> ⊠ <b>Other</b> (Explain below)	For Profit ILEC	Not for Profit ILEC	CLEC
Change terms & conditions of existing BLES.	☐ ATA <u>1-6-14(J)(2)</u> (Auto 30 days)	☐ ATA <u>1-6-14(J)</u> (Auto 30 days)	☐ ATA <u>1-6-14(J)</u> (Auto 30 days)
Introduce non-recurring charge, surcharge or fee to BLES	☐ ATA <u>1-6-14(J)</u> (Auto 30 days)		☐ ATA <u>1-6-14(J)</u> (Auto 30 days)
Introduce or Increase Late Payment	☐ ATA <u>1-6-14(J)</u> (Auto 30 days)	☐ ATA <u>1-6-14(J)</u> (Auto 30 days)	☐ ATA <u>1-6-14(J)</u> (Auto 30 days)
Revisions to BLES Cap	☐ ZTA <u>1-6-14(E)</u> (0 day notice)		
Introduce BLES or expand local service area (calling area)	☐ ZTA <u>1-6-14(E)</u> (0 day notice)	☐ ZTA <u>1-6-14(E)</u> (0 day notice)	☐ ZTA <u>1-6-14(E)</u> (0 day notice)
Change BLES Rates	☐ TRF <u>1-6-14(E) &amp; (G)</u> (0 day notice)	☐ TRF <u>1-6-14(E)</u> (0 day notice)	☐ TRF <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (0 day notice)
To obtain BLES pricing flexibility	☐ BLS <u>1-6-14(C)(1)(c)</u> (Auto 30 days)		
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 in boundary	☐ ACB <u>1-6-32</u> (Auto 14 days)	☐ ACB <u>1-6-32</u> (Auto 14 days)	
Expand service operation area			☐ TRF <u>1-6-08(G)</u> (0 day notice)
BLES withdrawal	☐ WBL <u>4927.10</u> (120 day notice)		☐ ZTA <u>1-6-25(B)</u> (0 day notice)
Other (explain): No changes to terms, conditions	, or rates; simply moving	the prices to a new section	on at the end of the tariff

# **Section I – Part I - Common Filings:**

# Section I – Part II – Customer Notification Offerings Pursuant to Chapter 4901:1-6-07 OAC

Type of Notice	Direct Mail	Bill Insert	Bill Notation	Electronic Mail
☐ 15-day Notice				
☐ 30-day Notice				
Date Notice Sent: Messaging was done in June cycles; new rates will not implement until next cycle ensuring a minimum 30-day notice period.				

# Section I – Part III – Inmate Operator Service Pursuant to Chapter 4901:1-6-22 OAC

Introduce New	Tariff Change	Price Change	Withdraw
□TRF	□ата	□TRF	□unc
(0 day notice)	(Auto 30 days)	(0 day notice)	(Non-Auto)

<sup>\*</sup>Other exhibits may be required under the applicable rule, see the 4901:106-14(E) Filing Requirements on the PUCO's webpage for a complete list of exhibits.

# Section II – Part I – Carrier Certification – Pursuant to Chapter 4901:1-6-08 & 10 OAC and Competitive Eligible Telecommunications Carrier Designation (CETC) – Pursuant to Chapter 4901:1-6-09 OAC

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

<sup>\*</sup>Supplemental forms can be found on the PUCO webpage - Telecommunications application forms.

# Section II - Part II - Change in Operation or Ownership

Change in Operation or Ownership	ILEC	CLEC	Telecommunications Service Provider Not Offering Local Service
Abandon all services		☐ ABN <u>1-6-26</u>	☐ ABN <u>1-6-26</u>
Tibulidon di Scrvices		(Auto 30 days)	(Auto 30 days)
Change of official name *	□ ACN <u>1-6-29(B)</u>	$\Box$ ACN <u>1-6-29(B)</u>	□ <u>CIO 1-6-29(C)</u>
Change of official fiame	(Auto 30 days)	(Auto 30 days)	(0-day notice)
Change in ownership *	☐ ACO <u>1-6-29(E)(1)</u>	☐ ACO <u>1-6-29(E)(1)</u>	☐ <u>CIO 1-6-29(C)</u>
Change in ownership	(Auto 30 days)	(Auto 30 days)	(0-day notice)
Merger *	☐ AMT <u>1-6-29(E)(1)</u>	☐ AMT <u>1-6-29(E)(1)</u>	□ <u>CIO 1-6-29(C)</u>
Weigei	(Auto 30 days)	(Auto 30 days)	(0-day notice)
Transfer certificate *	☐ ATC <u>1-6-29(B)</u>	☐ ATC <u>1-6-29(B)</u>	☐ <u>CIO 1-6-29(C)</u>
Transfer certificate	(Auto 30 days)	(Auto 30 days)	(0-day notice)
Transaction for transfer or	□ ATR 1-6-29(B)	☐ ATC <u>1-6-29(B)</u>	□ CIO 1-6-29(C)
lease of property, plant or business *	(Auto 30 days)	(Auto 30 days)	(0-day notice)
FCC Authorized Change in	☐ CIO <u>1-6-29 (E)(2)</u>	☐ CIO <u>1-6-29 (E)(2)</u>	□ CIO <u>1-6-29 (E)(2)</u>
Ownership or Merger	(0-day notice)	(0-day notice)	(0-day notice)

<sup>\*</sup>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 webpage for a complete list of exhibits.

# Section III – Part I - Carrier to Carrier (Pursuant to 4901:1-7) & Attachments to Utility Equipment or Rights of Way (Pursuant to 4901:1-3)

Carrier to Carrier	ILEC	CLEC
Interconnection agreement or amendment to	□ NAG <u>1-7-07</u>	□ NAG <u>1-7-07</u>
an approved agreement	(Auto 90 days)	(Auto 90 days)
Degreet for arbitration	□ ARB <u>1-7-09</u>	□ ARB <u>1-7-09</u>
Request for arbitration	(Non-Auto)	(Non-Auto)
Introduce on change conviou to conviou to villa	□ ATA <u>1-7-14</u>	□ ATA <u>1-7-14</u>
Introduce or change carrier to carrier tariffs	(Auto 30 days)	(Auto 30 days)
Request rural carrier exemption, rural carrier	☐ UNC <u>1-7-04 or 05</u>	
suspension or modification	(Auto 30 days)	

Changes in rates, terms & conditions to pole attachments, conduit occupancy and rights of way. (13-579-AU-ORD 11/30/16 Entry)		ATA <u>1-3-04</u> uto 60 days)	
Section III – Part II – Facilities-based Win	reless Serv	vice Providers (	Pursuant to 4901:1-6-24)
Registration and Change in Operations*			□ RCC <u>1-6-24(B)</u> (0 day notice)
Interconnection Agreement or amendment to an a Agreement.	approved		□ NAG <u>1-7-07</u> (0 day notice)
*Change in Operations filing must be filed in the process.	e original R	CC case designation	on code established during the registration
Section IV. – Attestation			
Registrant hereby attests to it compliance wi	th the pert	inent entries and	l orders issued by the Commission.
		<u>DAVIT</u>	
Compl	liance with	Commission Ru	les
I am an officer/agent of the applicant corporation, Katherine Hoagland (Name)	Windstream	n Ohio, and am aut	horized to make this statement on its behalf.
Please check All that apply:			
☑ I attest that these tariffs comply with all applica not imply Commission approval and that the Com contradictory provisions in our tariff. We will full noncompliance can result in various penalties, incl	nmission's ru y comply w	ıles, as modified aı ith the rules of the	nd clarified from time to time, supersede any State of Ohio and understand that
$\square$ I attest that customer notices accompanying this accordance with Ohio Adm. Code 4901:1-6-7.	s filing form	were sent to affect	red customers, as specified in Section II, in
I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoir	ng is true an	d correct.	
Executed on September 29, 2021, 2021 at 114 West	Spruce St. E	ast Rochester, NY	14445
/s/ Katherine Hoagland, Sr Regulatory Analyst *Signature and Title		<u>September</u> Date	29, 2021

<sup>\*</sup>This affidavit is required for every tariff-affecting filing. It may be signed by counsel, an officer of the applicant or an authorized agent of the applicant.

# **VERIFICATION**

Commission and that all of the information submitted here	unications Filing Form for the most proceedings provided by the and all additional information in connection with this case, is true
and correct to the best of my knowledge.	
/s/ Katherine Hoagland, Sr Regulatory Analyst	September 29, 2021
*Ciamatura and Titla	Date
*Signature and Title	Date
*Verification is required for every filing. It may be signed by cour	nsel 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

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Send your completed Filing 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**

Issued: May 3, 2011 Effective: May 19, 2011

# GENERAL EXCHANGE TARIFF P.U.C.O. No. 9

# **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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# GENERAL EXCHANGE TARIFF P.U.C.O. No. 9

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### GENERAL EXCHANGE TARIFF P.U.C.O. NO. 9

# 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.

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 <u>Establishment and Furnishing of Basic Local Exchange Service</u> (Continued)

S2.3.3 Application of Rates for School, Business and Residence Service (Continued)

#### C. Residence Service

In general, residence rates apply when the use of the service is of a domestic nature or is located on a premises whose main use is residential. Examples of locations of which residence rates apply are:

- (1) At private residences.
- (2) At private apartments in hotels, boarding houses, college dormitories, and hospitals when separate main station service is provided in such apartments and where the use of the service is confined to the domestic use of the customer.
- (3) At the place of residence of a clergyman, physician, nurse, dentist, veterinary surgeon or other medical practitioner or Christian Science practitioner. Abbreviated titles such as "Dr.", "Rev.", "Judge", "Professor", are not considered business designations.
- (4) In a private stable or garage when it is strictly a part of the customer's domestic establishment. Also, residence extensions are permitted in barns if the use of the service for any business purpose is only incidental. Separate exchange service or extension station service furnished at commercial farm locations for business use are classified as and charged for as business service.
- (5) Residential secretarial lines may be terminated in telephone answering facilities at telephone answering bureaus.
- D. Changes from business service to residence are made only in the event of a change in the customer's arrangements which would entitle him to a residence classification of his service, as specified in S2.3.3.C. above.

A change of service classification from business to residence requires a number change.

Changes from residence to business service may be made without change in telephone number, if the customer so desires. Service charges, which apply for such changes, are quoted in Section 3 of this tariff.

When it is determined that a customer with residence service is using that service in such manner that it should be classified and charged for as business service under the provisions of 2.3.3.B. above, the Company may disconnect the customer's service in the event he refuses to permit his service to be classified as business service and to pay the business rate. The telephone company is responsible for notifying the customer 30 days prior to disconnection.

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#### S2. GENERAL REGULATIONS

### S2.3 <u>Establishment and Furnishing of Basic Local Exchange Service</u> (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 there under, 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.

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# 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.

The TRS assessment will be applied on a per month basis.

# S2.7 <u>Lifeline Recovery Surcharge</u>

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 Little Rock, Arkansas

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### GENERAL EXCHANGE TARIFF P.U.C.O. NO. 9

# 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 customer-initiated 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.

	<u>Business</u>	Residence
Initial Service Order Charge	22.45	16.75

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.

	<u>Business</u>	Residence
Central Office Charge	24.10	20.50

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# GENERAL EXCHANGE TARIFF P.U.C.O. NO. 9

#### 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.

	<u>Business</u>	Residence
Visitation Charge	29.55	18.60

### 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

- 1. 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.

	<u>Business</u>	Residence
Reconnect Charge (Non-Payment)	28.45	28.45

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Issued By:

### 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

- 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

- A monthly Access Line charge in the amount of \$13.50 shall be the proper rate to be 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 \$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.

Filed under authority of Order No. Issued by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio Vice President

Issued By:

Little Rock, Arkansas

Issued: July 31, 2012 Effective: August 1, 2012 (D)

Effective: May 19, 2011

# GENERAL EXCHANGE TARIFF P.U.C.O. NO. 9

### S7. LOCAL ACCESS LINE SERVICE

### S7.1 EXTENDED LOCAL CALLING SERVICE (ELCS)

# S7.1.1 Description

- A. Extended Local Calling Service will be provided in lieu of new Extended Area Service (EAS), whether oneway 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.
- B. 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.
- C. 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.
- D. Extended Local Calling Service is available with all classes of service and to all customers within the specific exchange.
- E. 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:

Initial and additional Minute Rate

a) Monday through Sunday and Holidays all day:

\$ .05

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#### S7. LOCAL ACCESS LINE SERVICE

# S7.2 MODIFIED EXTENDED LOCAL CALLING SERVICE (MELCS)

### S7.2.1 Description

- A. Modified Extended Local Calling Service (MELCS) provides measured rate calling 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.
- 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

Ashtabula Andover, Conneaut, Dorset, Rock Creek, Trumbull

Austinburg Jefferson

Dorset Ashtabula, Kingsville, New Lyme

Geneva Jefferson, Rock Creek
Kingsville Dorset, Jefferson, Pierpont

Perry Cleveland Metropolitan Area, Leroy, Mentor

and Thompson

Pierpont Andover, Kingsville

Richfield Akron, Montrose (Summit County)

Rock Creek Ashtabula, Colebrook, Geneva, New Lyme,

Windsor

Trumbull Ashtabula, Jefferson

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#### S7. LOCAL ACCESS LINE SERVICE

### S7.3 MODIFIED EXTENDED LOCAL CALLING SERVICE II (MELCS II)

#### S7.3.1 General

- A. Modified Extended Local Calling Service II (MELCS II) allows mandatory one-way customer dialed calling to another exchange without the application of message toll rates. A customer receives measured rate calling between the specified exchange areas. Routes applicable to MELCS II are shown in S1D.1F(2) below.
- B. The MELCS II 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.
- C. Calls may be placed only from the customer's access line bearing the telephone number for which the customer is billed for the MELCS II Plan. Such calls shall be customer dialed, station-to-station calls. If a call is operator handled, the applicable message toll rate will apply.
- D. The MELCS II Plan will not be furnished with Foreign Exchange Service.
- E. The Company's "General Regulations", as published in its General Customer Services Tariff, apply to the extent pertinent to the MELCS II Plan.
- F. Application of Rates -
  - (1) Implementation of the MELCS II Plan in an exchange will not affect the monthly rate as indicated in other sections of this tariff.
  - (2) Routes and per minute rates for calling provided under the MELCS II Plan are as follows:

Originating Exchange	MELCS II Local Calling <u>Point</u>	Rate Per <u>Minute</u>
Aurora	Akron	\$.07
Northfield	Akron	\$.07
Twinsburg	Akron	\$.07

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# S7. LOCAL ACCESS LINE SERVICE

#### S7.4 PILOT SERVICE PLANS

### S7.4.1 General

- A. Pilot Service Plans provides one-way customer dialed calling to specified exchange areas within Ohio, without the application of message toll rates. A customer receives measured rate calling between the specified exchange areas.
- B. These Pilot Service Plans are local service offerings; 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, or as this paragraph may be amended in the future.
- C. Application of Rates
  - (2) All measured minutes are charged at a specified rate per minute for initial and additional minutes.

# S7.4.2 Pilot Service Plans Available:

The Pilot Service Plans are included in residence and business service in the exchanges and routes as listed below:

Exchanges to which

<u>Pilot Service Plan Name</u>	Offered In	Calls may be made
Complete Countywide Calling Plan	Chardon	Bainbridge, Burton, Middlefield, Parkman and Russell
County Community Plan	Bainbridge East Claridon Middlefield Parkman Russell	Chardon Chesterland Chardon Chardon Chardon
Expanded Community Calling Plan	Chardon	Mentor, Painesville, and Kirtland
Metropolitan Calling Plan	East Claridon Huntsburg Middlefield Montville Newbury Parkman Thompson	Cleveland Metro <sup>1</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 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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### S7.4 PILOT SERVICE PLANS (Continued)

# S7.4.2 Pilot Service Plans Available (Continued):

Pilot Service Plan Name

Exchanges to which

Calls may be made

Contiguous Community Calling Plan Bloomingdale Amsterdam, Jewett, Richmond,

and Smithfield

Centerville Beallsville

Cumberland Byesville, Caldwell, Cambridge,

McConnelsville, New Concord, Norwich, Philo, Reinersville Hackney and Zanesville

Fairview Cambridge, Flushing, Freeport,

and St. Clairsville

Hopedale Adena, Jewett, Smithfield, and

Steubenville

Morristown Flushing

Old Washington Byesville, Freeport, New

Comerstown and Quaker City
Powhatan Point Beallsville, Clarington, and

St. Clairsville

Quaker City Byesville, Caldwell, Cambridge,

Lewisville, Old Washington, St. Clairsville, Somerton, Summerfield and Woodsfield.

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### S7.4.3. Pilot Service Plans - Per Minute Use for Measured Service

The following rates will apply per minute of use, regardless of time of day or distance:

	Rate per Minute
Complete Countywide Plan	\$.05
County Community Plan	\$.05
Expanded Community Calling Plan	\$.07
Metropolitan Calling Plan	\$.07
Contiguous Community Calling Plan	\$.05

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### S7. LOCAL ACCESS LINE SERVICE

### S7.5 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 Nos. 7.1 → 7.2.

(C)

For the purposes of determining exchange service monthly access line rates, exchanges are classified in rate groups according to the total main telephones in a local calling area. The local calling area is the area within which customers make calls without the payment of message toll charges and may include one or more exchange areas.

# RATE GROUP CLASSIFICATION AND LIMITS

Rat	e Schedule Band		Total Main Telephone in Local Calling Area
	Band 1 Band 2 Band 3		0 - 192,000 192,001 - 384,000 384,001 - up
Band 1:	Ashtabula Austinburg Bloomingdale Centerville Chardon Chester Coolville Cumberland Dorset East Claridon Fairview	Geneva Hiram Hopedale Hudson (653) Huntsburg Kingsville Little Hocking Madison Mesopotamia Middlefield Montville	Morristown Newberry Old Washington Parkman Perry Pierpont Powhatan Point Quaker City Rock Creek Thompson Trumbull
Band 2:	Hudson (650/655)	Peninsula	
Band 3:	Aurora Bainbridge Chardon (EAS)	Hinckley Northfield Richfield	Russell Twinsburg

# INDIVIDUAL ACCESS LINE RATES

	Residential Current	Residential Max	Business Current	Business Max	School
Band 1:	\$18.85 (I)	\$18.85 (I)	\$26.80	\$30.05 (I)	\$15.15
Band 2:	\$21.30 (I)	\$21.30 (I)	\$31.65	\$34.90 (I)	20.00
Band 3:	\$22.00 (I)	\$22.00 (I)	\$33.05	\$36.30 (I)	21.40

\*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.

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#### S8. ENHANCED CENTRAL OFFICE SERVICES

# 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 \$ 5.00
Residential per line 0.00

# 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 S8.3.3 will not apply.

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### S9. POLE ATTACHMENTS AND CONDUIT AND TRENCH SYSTEM OCCUPANCY

### S9.2.3 Obligation of Attachee (Continued)

- G. Attachment to Poles Owned by the Company (Continued)
  - g. All new cable plant installed by an attachee shall be constructed on a strand that is separate from the Company's strand and cable plant.
  - h. Attachee may permit a subsequent attachee to attach its cable to the strand and cable of the attachee where it is acceptable to the Company. However, the attachee shall continue to be responsible for the payment of all fees and charges as specified in S9.3.
  - 2. Voltage, Power, Electrical Interference
    - a. The attachee's attachments shall not use or carry voltages or currents in excess of the limits prescribed for communications conductors by the National Electrical Safety Code (Definition 43). However, all parts of the attachee's attachments carrying voltages in excess of 50 volts AC (rms) to ground or 135 volts DC to ground, except for momentary signaling or control voltages, shall be enclosed in an effectively grounded sheath or shield. All energized parts of the attachee's attachments shall be suitably covered to prevent accidental contact by the general public, the Company's workmen or workmen of another attachee having facilities on the same pole.
    - b. The Company shall determine whether the attachee's attachments cause or may cause electrical interference with the Company's communications facilities. Attachee shall, on demand of the Company, correct immediately at the attachee's expense any such interference including, if necessary, removal of the attachments causing the interference.
    - No attachment shall use the earth as the sole conductor for any part of the circuit.
    - d. Attachee shall no circumvent the Company's corrosion mitigation measures (e.g. short circuit insulating joints).

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### S9. POLE ATTACHMENTS AND CONDUIT AND TRENCH SYSTEM OCCUPANCY

### S9.2.3 Obligation of Attachee (Continued)

- G. Attachment to Poles Owned by the Company (Continued)
  - 7. Guying and Stepping
    - a. Guying will be required in poles where the total unbalanced load, including the tension due to the attachee's attachments under the appropriate storm loading prescribed by the National Electrical Safety Code (Rule 251), exceeds 200 pounds unless the pole was designed as an unguyed corner pole and the pole has adequate strength and stability, in the opinion of the Company, to withstand the additional load.
    - b. Guys, when required, shall be of such material and dimensions as to provide adequate strength to withstand the transverse loads specified in the National Electrical Safety Code (Rule 252B), and the longitudinal load assumed in the Code (Rule 252C). Guys on poles which also support power facilities shall be in compliance with the National Electrical Safety Code (Rule 261C). On poles supporting communications facilities only, guying shall be in compliance with Grade C construction requirements of the Code.
    - Guy guards shall be installed in compliance with N.E.S.C. Rule 282E (Supplement 1).
    - d. Attachee may attach its guy to the Company's anchor rods where the Company specifically authorizes it in writing.
    - e. Attachee will pay the annual rental charges set forth in S9.3 for attachment of his guy to the Company's anchor.
    - f. When the Company and/or others have to transfer their guys from an existing anchor to a new anchor to accommodate the guy of an attachee, the attachee shall reimburse the Company as well as others for their costs and expense incurred to perform the necessary transfer work, as well as the cost of replacing the new anchor.

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### S9. POLE ATTACHMENTS AND CONDUIT AND TRENCH SYSTEM OCCUPANCY

### S9.2.3 Obligation of Attachee (Continued)

- H. Occupancy of Conduit System Owned by the Company (Continued)
  - c. The fees and charges specified in S9.3 shall be applicable to all authorizations granted to attachee, without regard to the methods of attachment used.
  - d. All requirements of the National Electrical Safety Codes referred to herein shall mean the 1977 Edition of such code, or any later amendment or replacement thereof, and shall include and 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.
  - e. 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 attachee written or illustrated materials which will specify and explain the required construction.
  - f. Should the Company need for its own service requirements any of the space occupied by the attachee's cable, equipment, and facilities located in the Company's conduit system, attachee will be notified that it shall either surrender its authorization for that portion of the Company's conduit system, and, at its expense, vacate the space occupied by its said cable, equipment or facilities, or, if the Company advises attachee that attachee's cable, equipment, and facilities can be accommodated otherwise in the Company's conduit system, attachee shall authorize the Company to rearrange attachee's cable, equipment, and facilities can be accommodated at the expense of the attachee. In the latter event, the occupancy of the Company's conduit system by the attachee's cable, equipment, and facilities may be subject to different occupancy fees as set forth in S9.3.
  - g. The Company may, without incurring any liability, remove the cables, equipment, and facilities of attachee from the Company's

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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)

the form provided by the Company. In granting or denying an authorization the Company reserves the right to determine whether granting an authorization would adversely affect its common carrier communications services and its ability to meet its duties and obligations with respect thereto, including questions of economy, safety, and future needs of the Company.

- c. The Company reserves the right to exclude cable, equipment, and facilities of the attachee from the Company's pedestals, or to limit the type, number, and size of the attachee's cable, equipment, and facilities which may be placed in any of the Company's pedestals.
- 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 it 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.

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# S9. POLE ATTACHMENTS AND CONDUIT AND TRENCH SYSTEM OCCUPANCY

#### S9.3.1 Rates (Continued)

### 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. Attachment Rate Annual

Per pole attached 2.00 Per anchor attached

9.65

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# C. Conduit System Occupancy

1. 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. 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 Annual

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

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# S9. POLE ATTACHMENTS AND CONDUIT AND TRENCH SYSTEM OCCUPANCY

### S9.3.1 Rates (Continued)

any pedestal, attachee shall pay an attachment fee, per pedestal, based upon the full cost and expense, including overheads to the Company.

Attachment Fee

Annual

Per pedestal attachment

(See 1 above)

### S9.2.3 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.
- The charge for replacement of poles shall include the entire non-betterment cost to the Company, including the increased cost of larger poles, sacrificed life value of the poles removed, cost of removal less any salvage recovery and the cost of transferring the Company's facilities from the old to the new poles.
- 3. Charges as specified in paragraph 1 preceding in connection with the common trench system shall be prorated between all parties, including the attachee, who are to occupy the common trench system.
- B. <u>Payment Date</u> All bills for nonrecurring charges as specified in this section shall be payable upon presentation to the attachee, and shall be deemed delinquent if not paid within 30 days after presentation to the attachee.

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# S11. UNIVERSAL EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBER SERVICE - 911

# **COUNTY RATE LIST**

<u>County</u>	Current Subscriber <u>Charge</u>	Implementation Date for 911 <u>Service</u>	Effective Date for Current 911 Subscriber Charge	Initial Case No. for 911 Implementation	Most Current Case No. for 911 Review
Ashtabula	.25	10/28/92	10/28/92	91-1831-TP-EMG	91-1831-TP-EMG
Athens	.25	4/2/96	4/2/96	95-1165-TP-EMG	95-1165-TP-EMG
Belmont	.25	9/11/97	9/11/97	96-384-TP-EMG	96-384-TP-EMG
Cuyahoga	.25	11/02/87	11/02/87	87-1281-TP-EMG	87-1281-TP-EMG
Geauga	.25	11/16/94	11/16/94	93-237-TP-EMG	93-237-TP-EMG
Guernsey	.25	04/22/92	04/22/92	92-208-TP-EMG	92-205-TP-EMG
Harrison	.25	01/28/09	01/28/09	08-1217-TP-EMG	08-1217-TP-EMG
Jefferson	.25	5/20/97	5/20/97	96-160-TP-EMG	96-160-TP-EMG
Lake	.25	10/05/88	10/05/88	88-1089-TP-EMG	88-1089-TP-EMG
Medina	.25	01/18/89	01/18/89	87-1089-TP-EMG	87-1089-TP-EMG
Meigs	.25	09/10/09	09/10/09	09-510-TP-EMG	09-510-TP-EMG
Monroe	.25	6/1/09	6/1/09	09-294-TP-EMG	09-294-TP-EMG
Muskingum	.25*	11/18/87	11/18/92	87-1282-TP-EMG	92-1530-TP-EMG
Noble	.25	10/14/04	10/14/04	02-398-TP-EMG	02-398-TP-EMG
Portage	.25	09/11/91	09/11/92	90-1619-TP-EMG	90-1619-TP-EMG
Summit	.25	05/11/88	05/11/93	87-1285-TP-EMG	87-1285-TP-EMG
Trumbull	.25	06/22/94	06/22/94	93-505-TP-EMG	93-505-TP-EMG
Washington	.25	07/27/05	07/27/05	04-1840-TP-EMG	04-1840-TP-EMG

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# 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.
      - 2. 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:
      - 1. 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.
- (M) To signify a move in the location of text.
- (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.

- (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)
  - S2.3.3 Application of Rates for School, Business and Residence Service (Continued)
    - C. Residence Service

In general, residence rates apply when the use of the service is of a domestic nature or is located on a premises whose main use is residential. Examples of locations of which residence rates apply are:

- (1) At private residences.
- (2) At private apartments in hotels, boarding houses, college dormitories, and hospitals when separate main station service is provided in such apartments and where the use of the service is confined to the domestic use of the customer.
- (3) At the place of residence of a clergyman, physician, nurse, dentist, veterinary surgeon or other medical practitioner or Christian Science practitioner. Abbreviated titles such as "Dr.", "Rev.", "Judge", "Professor", are not considered business designations.
- (4) In a private stable or garage when it is strictly a part of the customer's domestic establishment. Also, residence extensions are permitted in barns if the use of the service for any business purpose is only incidental. Separate exchange service or extension station service furnished at commercial farm locations for business use are classified as and charged for as business service.
- (5) Residential secretarial lines may be terminated in telephone answering facilities at telephone answering bureaus.
- D. Changes from business service to residence are made only in the event of a change in the customer's arrangements which would entitle him to a residence classification of his service, as specified in S2.3.3.C. above.

A change of service classification from business to residence requires a number change.

Changes from residence to business service may be made without change in telephone number, if the customer so desires. Service charges, which apply for such changes, are described in Section 3 of this tariff, with rates located in the Pricing Attachment, at the end of this tariff.

When it is determined that a customer with residence service is using that service in such manner that it should be classified and charged for as business service under the provisions of 2.3.3.B. above, the Company may disconnect the customer's service in the event he refuses to permit his service to be classified as business service and to pay the business rate. The telephone company is responsible for notifying the customer 30 days prior to disconnection.

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#### S2. GENERAL REGULATIONS

### S2.3 <u>Establishment and Furnishing of Basic Local Exchange Service</u> (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 there under, 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 and the Pricing Attachment, respectively.

# 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.

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# 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 Telecommunications Relay Services (TRS)

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.

The TRS assessment will be applied on a per month basis.

#### 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 monthly per line 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 customer-initiated 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 Residence 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 Residence 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 Residence 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 Residence rates are listed in the Pricing Attachment located at the end of this tariff.

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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

- A monthly Access Line charge listed in the Pricing Attachment at the end of this tariff shall be the proper rate to be (D) applied to an access line to support instrument implemented smart payphones.
- The monthly Access Line charge, as indicated above in S6.1.D.1. plus an additional rate listed in the Pricing Attachment at the end of this tariff, 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 the Pricing Attachment, will apply for activation or any subsequent moves or changes in the access line service.
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#### S7. LOCAL ACCESS LINE SERVICE

# S7.1 EXTENDED LOCAL CALLING SERVICE (ELCS)

#### S7.1.1 Description

- A. 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.
- B. 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.
- C. 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.
- D. Extended Local Calling Service is available with all classes of service and to all customers within the specific exchange.
- E. 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. The initial and additional minute rate for Extended Local Calling Service is listed in the Pricing Attachment, at the end of this tariff.

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#### S7. LOCAL ACCESS LINE SERVICE S7.2 MODIFIED EXTENDED LOCAL CALLING SERVICE (MELCS)

#### S7.2.1 Description

- Modified Extended Local Calling Service (MELCS) provides measured rate calling between specific A. 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.
- 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 I listed in the Pricing Attachment located at the end of this tariff.
- C. MELCS is included in residence and business service in the exchanges and routes as listed in Section S7.2.3.
- D. MELCS is restricted to customer dialed, station to station calls, and does not include operator assisted

#### 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.

#### Rate per minute В.

All measured MELCS calls are charged at a per minute for initial and additional minutes as listed in the Pricing Attachment at the end of this tariff. No time of day, day of week, or holiday discounts apply to the MELCS measured rate.

# S7.2.3 Availability

Α. MELCS is provided in the following exchanges:

> Exchanges in which Exchanges which service is offered can be called

Ashtabula Andover, Conneaut, Dorset, Rock Creek, Trumbull

Austinburg Jefferson

Dorset Ashtabula, Kingsville, New Lyme

Geneva Jefferson, Rock Creek Kingsville Dorset, Jefferson, Pierpont

Perry Cleveland Metropolitan Area, Leroy, Mentor

and Thompson

Pierpont Andover, Kingsville

Richfield Akron, Montrose (Summit County)

Rock Creek Ashtabula, Colebrook, Geneva, New Lyme,

Windsor

Trumbull Ashtabula, Jefferson

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#### S7. LOCAL ACCESS LINE SERVICE

#### S7.3 MODIFIED EXTENDED LOCAL CALLING SERVICE II (MELCS II)

# S7.3.1 General

- A. Modified Extended Local Calling Service II (MELCS II) allows mandatory one-way customer dialed calling to another exchange without the application of message toll rates. A customer receives measured rate calling between the specified exchange areas. Routes applicable to MELCS II are shown in S1D.1F(2) below.
- B. The MELCS II 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.
- C. Calls may be placed only from the customer's access line bearing the telephone number for which the customer is billed for the MELCS II Plan. Such calls shall be customer dialed, station-to-station calls. If a call is operator handled, the applicable message toll rate will apply.
- D. The MELCS II Plan will not be furnished with Foreign Exchange Service.
- E. The Company's "General Regulations", as published in its General Customer Services Tariff, apply to the extent pertinent to the MELCS II Plan.
- F. Application of Rates -
  - (1) Implementation of the MELCS II Plan in an exchange will not affect the monthly rate as indicated in other sections of this tariff.
  - (2) Routes and per minute rates for calling provided under the MELCS II Plan are listed in the Pricing Attachment located at the end of this tariff.
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#### S7. LOCAL ACCESS LINE SERVICE

#### S7.4 PILOT SERVICE PLANS

#### S7.4.1 General

- A. Pilot Service Plans provides one-way customer dialed calling to specified exchange areas within Ohio, without the application of message toll rates. A customer receives measured rate calling between the specified exchange areas.
- B. These Pilot Service Plans are local service offerings; 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, or as this paragraph may be amended in the future.
- C. Application of Rates
  - (2) All measured minutes are charged at a specified rate per minute for initial and additional minutes, as listed in the Pricing Attachment at the end of this tariff.

# S7.4.2 Pilot Service Plans Available:

The Pilot Service Plans are included in residence and business service in the exchanges and routes as listed below:

	Exchanges to which
Offered In	Calls may be made
Chardon	Bainbridge, Burton, Middlefield, Parkman and Russell
Bainbridge East Claridon Middlefield Parkman Russell	Chardon Chesterland Chardon Chardon Chardon
Chardon	Mentor, Painesville, and Kirtland
East Claridon Huntsburg Middlefield Montville Newbury Parkman Thompson	Cleveland Metro <sup>1</sup>
	Chardon  Bainbridge East Claridon Middlefield Parkman Russell  Chardon  East Claridon Huntsburg Middlefield Montville Newbury Parkman

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 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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# S7.4 PILOT SERVICE PLANS (Continued)

# S7.4.2 Pilot Service Plans Available (Continued):

Pilot Service Plan Name

Offered In

Exchanges to which
Calls may be made

Contiguous Community Calling Plan Bloomingdale Amsterdam, Jewett, Richmond,

and Smithfield

Centerville Beallsville

Cumberland Byesville, Caldwell, Cambridge,

McConnelsville, New Concord, Norwich, Philo, Reinersville Hackney and Zanesville Cambridge, Flushing, Freeport,

Fairview Cambridge, Flushing, Freeport

and St. Clairsville

Hopedale Adena, Jewett, Smithfield, and

Steubenville

Morristown Flushing

Old Washington Byesville, Freeport, New

Comerstown and Quaker City

Powhatan Point Beallsville, Clarington, and

St. Clairsville

Quaker City Byesville, Caldwell, Cambridge,

Lewisville, Old Washington, St. Clairsville, Somerton, Summerfield and Woodsfield.

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# S7.4.3. Pilot Service Plans - Per Minute Use for Measured Service

The rates listed in the Pricing Attachment at the end of this tariff, for each of the Service Plans will apply per minute of use, regardless of time of day or distance:

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#### S7. LOCAL ACCESS LINE SERVICE

# S7.5 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 Nos.  $7.1 \rightarrow 7.2$ .

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For the purposes of determining exchange service monthly access line rates, exchanges are classified in rate groups according to the total main telephones in a local calling area. The local calling area is the area within which customers make calls without the payment of message toll charges and may include one or more exchange areas.

#### RATE GROUP CLASSIFICATION AND LIMITS

Rate S	Schedule Band		Total Main Telephone in Local Calling Area
	Band 1 Band 2 Band 3		0 - 192,000 192,001 - 384,000 384,001 - up
Band 1:	Ashtabula Austinburg Bloomingdale Centerville Chardon Chester Coolville Cumberland Dorset East Claridon Fairview	Geneva Hiram Hopedale Hudson (653) Huntsburg Kingsville Little Hocking Madison Mesopotamia Middlefield Montville	Morristown Newberry Old Washington Parkman Perry Pierpont Powhatan Point Quaker City Rock Creek Thompson Trumbull
Band 2:	Hudson (650/655)	Peninsula	
Band 3:	Aurora Bainbridge Chardon (EAS)	Hinckley Northfield Richfield	Russell Twinsburg

#### **INDIVIDUAL ACCESS LINE RATES**

The Residential, Business and School rates for Band 1, Band 2 and Band 3 are listed in the Pricing Attachment at the end of this tariff.

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\*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 provided on a detariffed basis.

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# S8. ENHANCED CENTRAL OFFICE SERVICES

# 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 Per line rates for Business and Residential service are listed 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 S8.3.3 will not apply.

#### S9. POLE ATTACHMENTS AND CONDUIT AND TRENCH SYSTEM OCCUPANCY

#### S9.2.3 Obligation of Attachee (Continued)

- G. Attachment to Poles Owned by the Company (Continued)
  - g. All new cable plant installed by an attachee shall be constructed on a strand that is separate from the Company's strand and cable plant.
  - h. Attachee may permit a subsequent attachee to attach its cable to the strand and cable of the attachee where it is acceptable to the Company. However, the attachee shall continue to be responsible for the payment of all fees and charges as specified in S9.3 and the Pricing Attachment at the end of this tariff.
  - 2. Voltage, Power, Electrical Interference
    - a. The attachee's attachments shall not use or carry voltages or currents in excess of the limits prescribed for communications conductors by the National Electrical Safety Code (Definition 43). However, all parts of the attachee's attachments carrying voltages in excess of 50 volts AC (rms) to ground or 135 volts DC to ground, except for momentary signaling or control voltages, shall be enclosed in an effectively grounded sheath or shield. All energized parts of the attachee's attachments shall be suitably covered to prevent accidental contact by the general public, the Company's workmen or workmen of another attachee having facilities on the same pole.
    - b. The Company shall determine whether the attachee's attachments cause or may cause electrical interference with the Company's communications facilities. Attachee shall, on demand of the Company, correct immediately at the attachee's expense any such interference including, if necessary, removal of the attachments causing the interference.
    - No attachment shall use the earth as the sole conductor for any part of the circuit.
    - d. Attachee shall no circumvent the Company's corrosion mitigation measures (e.g. short circuit insulating joints).

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#### S9. POLE ATTACHMENTS AND CONDUIT AND TRENCH SYSTEM OCCUPANCY

#### S9.2.3 Obligation of Attachee (Continued)

- G. Attachment to Poles Owned by the Company (Continued)
  - 7. Guying and Stepping
    - a. Guying will be required in poles where the total unbalanced load, including the tension due to the attachee's attachments under the appropriate storm loading prescribed by the National Electrical Safety Code (Rule 251), exceeds 200 pounds unless the pole was designed as an unguyed corner pole and the pole has adequate strength and stability, in the opinion of the Company, to withstand the additional load.
    - b. Guys, when required, shall be of such material and dimensions as to provide adequate strength to withstand the transverse loads specified in the National Electrical Safety Code (Rule 252B), and the longitudinal load assumed in the Code (Rule 252C). Guys on poles which also support power facilities shall be in compliance with the National Electrical Safety Code (Rule 261C). On poles supporting communications facilities only, guying shall be in compliance with Grade C construction requirements of the Code.
    - c. Guy guards shall be installed in compliance with N.E.S.C. Rule 282E (Supplement 1).
    - d. Attachee may attach its guy to the Company's anchor rods where the Company specifically authorizes it in writing.
    - e. Attachee will pay the annual rental charges set forth in the Pricing Attachment at the end of this tariff for attachment of his guy to the Company's anchor.
    - f. When the Company and/or others have to transfer their guys from an existing anchor to a new anchor to accommodate the guy of an attachee, the attachee shall reimburse the Company as well as others for their costs and expense incurred to perform the necessary transfer work, as well as the cost of replacing the new anchor.

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#### S9. POLE ATTACHMENTS AND CONDUIT AND TRENCH SYSTEM OCCUPANCY

#### S9.2.3 Obligation of Attachee (Continued)

- H. Occupancy of Conduit System Owned by the Company (Continued)
  - c. The fees and charges specified in the Pricing Attachment at the end of this tariff shall be applicable to all authorizations granted to attachee, without regard to the methods of attachment used.
  - d. All requirements of the National Electrical Safety Codes referred to herein shall mean the 1977 Edition of such code, or any later amendment or replacement thereof, and shall include and 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.
  - e. 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 attachee written or illustrated materials which will specify and explain the required construction.
  - f. Should the Company need for its own service requirements any of the space occupied by the attachee's cable, equipment, and facilities located in the Company's conduit system, attachee will be notified that it shall either surrender its authorization for that portion of the Company's conduit system, and, at its expense, vacate the space occupied by its said cable, equipment or facilities, or, if the Company advises attachee that attachee's cable, equipment, and facilities can be accommodated otherwise in the Company's conduit system, attachee shall authorize the Company to rearrange attachee's cable, equipment, and facilities in the manner which attachee's cable, equipment, and facilities can be accommodated at the expense of the attachee. In the latter event, the occupancy of the Company's conduit system by the attachee's cable, equipment, and facilities may be subject to different occupancy fees as set forth in S9.3.
  - g. The Company may, without incurring any liability, remove the cables, equipment, and facilities of attachee from the Company's

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# S9.2.3 Obligation of Attachee (Continued)

I. Occupancy of Trench System Owned by the Company (Continued)

the form provided by the Company. In granting or denying an authorization the Company reserves the right to determine whether granting an authorization would adversely affect its common carrier communications services and its ability to meet its duties and obligations with respect thereto, including questions of economy, safety, and future needs of the Company.

- c. The Company reserves the right to exclude cable, equipment, and facilities of the attachee from the Company's pedestals, or to limit the type, number, and size of the attachee's cable, equipment, and facilities which may be placed in any of the Company's pedestals.
- 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 it 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 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.

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#### S9. POLE ATTACHMENTS AND CONDUIT AND TRENCH SYSTEM OCCUPANCY

#### S9.3.1 Rates (Continued)

# 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. Annual pole and anchor attachment rates are listed in the Pricing Attachment located at the end of this tariff.

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# C. Conduit System Occupancy

- 1. 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. 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 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
- (M) Rates previously found on this page are now found in the Pricing Attachment, at the end of this tariff.

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#### S9.3.1 Rates (Continued)

any pedestal, attachee shall pay an attachment fee, per pedestal, based upon the full cost and expense, including overheads to the Company.

2. The annual pedestal attachment fee is listed in the Pricing Attachment (T) located at the end of this tariff.

# S9.2.3 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.
- The charge for replacement of poles shall include the entire non-betterment cost to the Company, including the increased cost of larger poles, sacrificed life value of the poles removed, cost of removal less any salvage recovery and the cost of transferring the Company's facilities from the old to the new poles.
- 3. Charges as specified in paragraph 1 preceding in connection with the common trench system shall be prorated between all parties, including the attachee, who are to occupy the common trench system.
- B. <u>Payment Date</u> All bills for nonrecurring charges as specified in this section shall be payable upon presentation to the attachee, and shall be deemed delinquent if not paid within 30 days after presentation to the attachee.

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# S11. UNIVERSAL EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBER SERVICE - 911

# **COUNTY RATE LIST**

The subscriber rate for each county listed below is listed in the Pricing Attachment located at the end of this tariff.

County	Implementation Date for 911 <u>Service</u>	Effective Date for Current 911 Subscriber Charge	Initial Case No. for 911 Implementation	Most Current Case No. for <u>911 Review</u>	0.0
Ashtabula	10/28/92	10/28/92	91-1831-TP-EMG	91-1831-TP-EMG	(M)
Athens	4/2/96	4/2/96	95-1165-TP-EMG	95-1165-TP-EMG	
Belmont	9/11/97	9/11/97	96-384-TP-EMG	96-384-TP-EMG	
Cuyahoga	11/02/87	11/02/87	87-1281-TP-EMG	87-1281-TP-EMG	
Geauga	11/16/94	11/16/94	93-237-TP-EMG	93-237-TP-EMG	
Guernsey	04/22/92	04/22/92	92-208-TP-EMG	92-205-TP-EMG	
Harrison	01/28/09	01/28/09	08-1217-TP-EMG	08-1217-TP-EMG	
Jefferson	5/20/97	5/20/97	96-160-TP-EMG	96-160-TP-EMG	
Lake	10/05/88	10/05/88	88-1089-TP-EMG	88-1089-TP-EMG	
Medina	01/18/89	01/18/89	87-1089-TP-EMG	87-1089-TP-EMG	
Meigs	09/10/09	09/10/09	09-510-TP-EMG	09-510-TP-EMG	
Monroe	6/1/09	6/1/09	09-294-TP-EMG	09-294-TP-EMG	
Muskingum *	11/18/87	11/18/92	87-1282-TP-EMG	92-1530-TP-EMG	
Noble	10/14/04	10/14/04	02-398-TP-EMG	02-398-TP-EMG	
Portage	09/11/91	09/11/92	90-1619-TP-EMG	90-1619-TP-EMG	
Summit	05/11/88	05/11/93	87-1285-TP-EMG	87-1285-TP-EMG	
Trumbull	06/22/94	06/22/94	93-505-TP-EMG	93-505-TP-EMG	
Washington	07/27/05	07/27/05	04-1840-TP-EMG	04-1840-TP-EMG	(M)

<sup>\*</sup>This rate is the monthly charge for basic 911 service for only those Cumberland Exchange customers residing in Muskingum County.

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# 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.
      - 2. 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 and the Pricing Attachment of this Tariff will apply, in addition to the following rates.
  - B. Charges applicable to the N11 Service Subscriber's establishment of N11 service are listed in the Pricing Attachment located at the end of this tariff.

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Service Type	Category	Service Description	Rate Application	NRC	MRC	Max Rate (BLES Lines)
Business	Customer-Owned Coin- Operated Telephone (COCOT) Service	Monthly Access Line (Central Office Provided Coin Service)	Per Line		\$2.03	
Business	Customer-Owned Coin- Operated Telephone (COCOT) Service	Monthly Access Line (Smart Payhone)	Per Line		\$13.50	
Business	Enhanced Emergency Number Service	911 Subscriber Charge	Per Month		\$0.25	
Business	Enhanced Emergency Number Service	ALI (per access line)	Per Line		\$0.11	
Business	Enhanced Emergency Number Service	ANI (per access line)	Per Line		\$0.07	
Business	Enhanced Emergency Number Service	ANI/ALI (per access line)	Per Line		\$0.18	
Business	Enhanced Emergency Number Service	ANI/Selective Call Routing (per access line)	Per Line		\$0.14	
Business	Enhanced Emergency Number Service	ANI/Selective Call Routing/ALI (per access line)	Per Line		\$0.25	
Business	Enhanced Emergency Number Service	Selective Call Routing (per access line)	Per Line		\$0.07	
Business	EXTENDED LOCAL CALLING SERVICE	All measured MELCS calls	Per Minute		\$0.05	
Business	EXTENDED LOCAL CALLING SERVICE	Monday through Sunday and Holidays all day	Per Minute		\$0.05	
Business	INDIVIDUAL ACCESS LINE RATES	Band 1	Per Month		\$26.80	\$30.05
Business	INDIVIDUAL ACCESS LINE RATES	Band 2	Per Month		\$31.65	\$34.90
Business	INDIVIDUAL ACCESS LINE RATES	Band 3	Per Month		\$33.05	\$36.30
Business	INDIVIDUAL ACCESS LINE RATES School	Band 1	Per Month		\$15.15	
Business	INDIVIDUAL ACCESS LINE RATES School	Band 2	Per Month		\$20.00	
Business	INDIVIDUAL ACCESS LINE RATES School	Band 3	Per Month		\$21.40	
Business	Late Payment Charges	Unpaid Balance	Per Invoice	Greater of \$10 or 1.5% of unpaid balance		

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Service Type	Category	Service Description	Rate Application	NRC	MRC	Max Rate (BLES Lines)
Business	MELCS II	Aurora	Per Minute		\$0.07	
Business	MELCS II	Northfield	Per Minute		\$0.07	
Business	MELCS II	Twinsburg	Per Minute		\$0.07	
Business	N11 Abbreviated Dialing Service	Establishment of N11 Service	Per Service Order	\$ 500.00		
Business	Pilot Service Plans - Per Minute Use for Measured Service	Complete Countywide Plan	Per Minute		\$0.05	
Business	Pilot Service Plans - Per Minute Use for Measured Service	Contiguous Community Calling Plan	Per Minute		\$0.05	
Business	Pilot Service Plans - Per Minute Use for Measured Service	County Community Plan	Per Minute		\$0.05	
Business	Pilot Service Plans - Per Minute Use for Measured Service	Expanded Community Calling Plan	Per Minute		\$0.07	
Business	Pilot Service Plans - Per Minute Use for Measured Service	Metropolitan Calling Plan	Per Minute		\$0.07	
Business	Pole Attachments, Conduits and Trench System	Conduit - Per Duct Foot	Per Month		\$0.75	

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						Lines)
Business	Pole Attachments, Conduits and Trench System	Pole Attachments Per Anchor	Per Month		\$9.65	
Business	Pole Attachments, Conduits and Trench System	Pole Attachments Per Pole	Per Month		\$2.00	
Business	Pole Attachments, Conduits and Trench System	Trench System Occupancy	Per Month		See Section 9.3.1 (D) (1)	
Business	Service Connection Charges	Central Office Charge	Per Order	\$ 24.10		
Business	Service Connection Charges	Initial Service Order Charge	Per Order	\$ 22.45		
Business	Service Connection Charges	Reconnect Charge	Per Order	\$ 28.45		
Business	Service Connection Charges	Visitation Charge	Per Order	\$ 29.55		
Business	Tel-Touch Calling Service	Business, per line	Per Line		\$5.00	
Residential	Customer-Owned Coin- Operated Telephone (COCOT) Service	Monthly Access Line	Per Line		\$13.50	
Residential	Enhanced Emergency Number Service	911 Subscriber Charge	Per Month		\$0.25	
Residential	EXTENDED LOCAL CALLING SERVICE	All measured MELCS calls	Per Minute		\$0.05	
Residential	EXTENDED LOCAL CALLING SERVICE	Monday through Sunday and Holidays all day	Per Minute		\$0.05	
Residential	INDIVIDUAL ACCESS LINE RATES	Band 1	Per Month		\$18.85	\$18.85
Residential	INDIVIDUAL ACCESS LINE RATES	Band 2	Per Month		\$21.30	\$21.30
Residential	INDIVIDUAL ACCESS LINE RATES	Band 3	Per Month		\$22.00	\$22.00
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 balance		
Residential	Lifeline	Lifeline Recovery Surcharge	Per Line		\$0.03	
Residential	MELCS II	Aurora	Per Minute		\$0.07	

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Residential	MELCS II	Northfield	Per Minute			\$0.07	
Residential	MELCS II	Twinsburg	Per Minute			\$0.07	
Residential	Pilot Service Plans - Per Minute Use for Measured Service	Complete Countywide Plan	Per Minute			\$0.05	
Residential	Pilot Service Plans - Per Minute Use for Measured Service	Contiguous Community Calling Plan	Per Minute			\$0.05	
Residential	Pilot Service Plans - Per Minute Use for Measured Service	County Community Plan	Per Minute			\$0.05	
Residential	Pilot Service Plans - Per Minute Use for Measured Service	Expanded Community Calling Plan	Per Minute			\$0.07	
Residential	Pilot Service Plans - Per Minute Use for Measured Service	Metropolitan Calling Plan	Per Minute			\$0.07	
Residential	Service Connection Charges	Central Office Charge	Per Order	\$	20.50		
Residential	Service Connection Charges	Initial Service Order Charge	Per Order	\$	16.75		
Residential	Service Connection Charges	Reconnect Charge	Per Order	\$	28.45		
Residential	Service Connection Charges	Visitation Charge	Per Order	\$	18.60		

# **EXHIBIT C**

Windstream Western Reserve General Exchange Tariff Revisions

With this filing Windstream Western Reserve ("Windstream") seeks to move all prices contained within the tariff, to a new section at the end. Windstream believes it will be easier for customers to obtain current pricing more easily, as well as save the Company and PUC time in reviewing future rate changes.

There have been no changes to any terms, conditions, or the rates themselves.

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