BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of)	
Pattersonville Telephone Company to)	
Revise Its Intrastate Switched Access Tariff)	Case No. 22-0497-TP-ATA
to Comply with the Federal)	
Communications Commission 8YY Access)	
Charge Reform)	
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REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION

SUBMITTED ON BEHALF OF THE STAFF OF THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

On May 24, 2022, Pattersonville Telephone Company filed an application seeking to revise its intrastate switched access tariff to comply with the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC) October 9, 2020, Report and Order (R&O) in WC Docket No. 18-156, *In re 8YY Access Charge Reform*.

In its R&O, the FCC capped all originating toll-free end office, tandem switching, and transport rates of the date of the R&O. specifically, for originating 8YY end office charges, the FCC established a phased down approach to bill and keep over a three-year period. As part of the second phase, effective July 1, 2022, all rate of return local exchange carriers are required to reduce their intrastate rates for all originating End Office Access Service rate elements for Toll-Free Calls by one-half and reduce their intrastate rate for Toll-Free Database Query Charges by one-half the difference between the current maximum rate of \$0.004248 and the transitional rate of \$0.0002 per query. In this application, Pattersonville Telephone Company has modified its intrastate switched access tariff to reduce its intrastate rates in accordance with the R&O.

This application is being filed pursuant to Ohio Adm.Code 4901:1-7-14, as adopted in Case No. 16-2066-TP-ORD, which requires the filing of an ATA application to amend existing carrier-to-carrier tariffs. Pursuant to Ohio Adm.Code 4901:1-7-14(B), the application is deemed approved 30 days after filing unless suspended or subjected to hearing. Staff reviewed all documents filed with the application and has determined that the application has satisfied the requirement set forth in the R&O. Therefore, Staff recommends the application be automatically approved on July 1, 2022, as ordered in the May 18, 2022, 8YY Access Reform Entry in Case No. 10-2387-TP-COI.

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Summary: Staff Review and Recommendation electronically filed by Mrs. Tanika Hawkins on behalf of PUCO Staff