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Re: In the Matter of Telephone Service Company's Application to Abandon its  
TSC Regional Service, PUCO No. 00-1381-~~OE~~-UNC

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Dear Jay:

The purpose of this letter is to clarify the intent of Telephone Service Company in filing its Application to Abandon TSC Regional Service.

Currently, Telephone Service Company provides two overlapping intraLATA services: TSC Regional Service and TSC Long Distance. TSC Regional Service is the traditional intraLATA service, offered by the local service provider, Telephone Service Company. TSC Long Distance is also an intraLATA offering, which consists of services purchased from an underlying carrier by TSC Communications, Inc., resold to Telephone Service Company, and resold to end-users.\*

It is TSC Regional Service that Telephone Service Company is seeking to abandon. TSC Long Distance will remain a viable offering. Current TSC Regional customers will be informed that if they do not select another provider for their "intrastate local toll calling" (i.e., intraLATA toll) needs by the end of the thirty-day period specified in the notification letter, they will be automatically converted to TSC Long Distance.

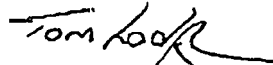
I hope this clarifies the circumstances surrounding the Application to Abandon TSC Regional Service. The reference to Telephone Service Company's affiliate, TSC Communications, as the provider of TSC Long Distance, was an unfortunate mis-characterization.

\* TSC Long Distance, unlike TSC Regional Service, also encompasses interLATA and interstate offerings.

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If I can provide any additional assistance, please don't hesitate to call.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tom Lodge". The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

Thomas E. Lodge

cc: Carolyn Flahive

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