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AT&T Communications of Pennsylvania, LLC, et al, vs. Armstrong Telephone Company - Pennsylvania, et al.

Docket No. C-2009-2098380, et al.

Response of The United Telephone Company of Pennsylvania LLC d/b/a Embarq Pennsylvania RECEIVED To Sprint Nextel Set I

SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE

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Sponsor: Mark Harper PA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION SECRETARY'S BUREAU

Sprint-Embarq-17:

Please provide a copy of any price elasticity studies your company performed or requested be performed in the last 5 years that studied the prices for local service within your company's service territory.

Objection:

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Embarq PA objects on the grounds that: (a) providing a response would require the making of an extremely unreasonable investigation and study, particularly given the expedited nature of this proceeding; and (b) the question is not relevant and not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence. 52 Pa. Code §§5.361(a)(2) and (b). 52 Pa. Code §5.321.

Subject to these objections and without waiver thereof, Embarg PA will provide a relevant response based upon available information.

Response:

Subject to and without waiver of Embarg PA's objections dated July 6, 2009, Embarq PA states it does not have elasticity information responsive to this request.

Supplemental Response: (1/14/10):

Subject to and without waiver of objections, after the Commission's Public Meeting on November 19, 2009 and release of Chairman's Cawley's Statement, CenturyLink began oral discussions (November 25, 2009, December 9, 2009, December 18, 2009 and December 21, 2009) to undertake a limited, simple Pennsylvania-specific study regarding the impact of price increases on CenturyLink's consumers. Copies of the survey, the survey tabs/results, and documents are attached hereto. The documents are not marked confidential.

From: Grant, Jason

Sent: Wednesday, December 23, 2009 1:18 PM

To: John Bekier; Staihr, Brian K; Benedek, Sue E

Subject: RE: Prj Update

My recommendation would be one banner with demographics:

childrent yesmo age: ender 35, 35 - 64, 65+ incomer Less thank 30K, 30-75K, greater then 75K gender, malefemale etchnicity; breaks?? thantal status; breaks??

And then a banner related to the loyalty analysis:

Satisfaction, top 3 box/bottom 3 box. Recommend: top 3 box/bottom 3 box. Continue; top 3 box/bottom 3 box. Value, top 3 box/bottom 3 box.

Loyatly: ...can't remember the output but whatever the loyalty analysis provides in the 4 different groups

And then a banner that analyzes the data they provided (will provide) in the sample. Brian really need your input on what you want to look at for breaks on the revenue here...

Revenue: Under \$35/\$35+

Products, Telephone/Data/TV/Bundle

Any additional data they provided...not sure what was in the sample...

John, I'm thinking we had 3 banners spoold if not combine the demo banner with the sample data banner maybe?

Eman, I really need your input on these to make sure the output gets you what you want since this is the only detiverable for the study other than the excel spreadsheet that will show the regression analysis.

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From: John Bekier [mailto:john.bekier@m-rr.com] Sent: Wednesday, December 23, 2009 7:32 AM To: Staihr, Brian K; Grant, Jason; Benedek, Sue E

Subject: Prj Update

Good morning ... wanted to let you know we are up to 592 of 800 completes. All seems to be running fine and we have more than enough sample to complete the project

Let me know your thoughts on a banner plan or if you would prefer we draft one for review

Thanks, John

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From: John Bekier [john.bekier@m-rr.com]

Sent: Tuesday, December 22, 2009 9:06 AM

To: Staihr, Brian K; Benedek, Sue E

Cc: Grant, Jason

Subject: RE: Study Update

It is very doubtful we will need the additional records

Thanks

John Bekier 240,575,7103

From: Staihr, Brian K [mailto:Brian.K.Staihr@CenturyLink.com]

Sent: Tuesday, December 22, 2009 9:03 AM

To: John Bekier; Benedek, Sue E

Cc: Grant, Jason

Subject: RE: Study Update

John ..

That's excellent. 333 of the 800 on the first night is an my opinion courte good, especially during the holiday season.

Do you need an additional sample?

Originally we had thought we'd need 20,000 in gave you 10,000 to get poing.

Do you need another set of names/numbers?

Brian

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Thanks John



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Sent: Tuesday, December 29, 2009 11:48 AM

To: Grant, Jason; Staihr, Brian K; Benedek, Sue E

Subject: PA Study Tabs
Attachments: CTL009P09TB.PDF

Hello.

hope you at are naving a wonderful noticity season

Here are the tabs for the PA study, we just in total in thought it was incorrect to get something in your names while we wait for cot firmation on additional creaks to induce on the clamps. Once you at me know I can be wose run pretty quickly.

In the meantime, let me know it yet it as a collections

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Sent:

Monday, December 21, 2009 12:17 PM

To:

Staihr, Brian K; Grant, Jason; Benedek, Sue E

Subject:

Per your request

Attachments: CTL009P09QR.doc

Per your request, attached is the PA Survey

We will begin interviewing this evening

Thanks John

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Sent:

Wednesday, December 16, 2009 12:43 PM

To:

Benedek, Sue E

Cc:

Grant, Jason; Staihr, Brian K

Subject:

Per your request

Attachments: CTL001P10QR.doc

Hi Sue,

Per your request, I am attaching the following

Let me know if you have questions or require anything else

Best, John

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BEFORE THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Joint Application of The United Telephone Company of Pennsylvania LLC d/b/a Embarq Pennsylvania and Embarg Communications, Inc. for all Approvals Required Under the Pennsylvania Public Utility Code for the Indirect Transfer of Control to CenturyTel, Inc.

Docket No. A-2008-2076038

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Dated: March 13, 2009

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company to operate in an emerging competitive environment. The benefits of having a stronger competitor that is capable of flexibly responding to market conditions are apparent. Dr. Roycroft is consistently highlighting the market uncertainties. We agree. That is the motive for this stronger telecommunications provider, and that is the clear benefit to consumers which should not be eliminated with a condition such as the one proposed by Dr. Roycroft. 194

As addressed below, the Commission should reject each and every condition proposed by Dr. Roycroft as unnecessary for a public benefit of the proposed transaction, and unreasonable and burdensome. Each condition shall be addressed individually below.

a. Rate Caps

OCA witness Dr. Roycroft proposes that the Commission should continue the cap on Embarq PA's R1 rate at the existing \$18.00 per month level *until the end of 2012.* ¹⁹⁵ Dr. Roycroft estimates that this particular aspect of his proposed condition will cost an estimated \$10 million. ¹⁹⁶ Dr. Roycroft further recommends that Embarq PA should *not* be allowed to bank any basic residential rate increases during this period and should *not* be allowed to draw from the Pennsylvania state universal service fund (USF) to recover increases in the R1 rates above the \$18.00 per month level. ¹⁹⁷ Finally, Dr. Roycroft's rate freeze condition also would *not* allow Embarq PA to raise any other non-competitive service rates by amounts that are greater than the rate of inflation. ¹⁹⁸

As discussed above, the transaction provides substantial affirmative benefits and conditions on the transaction are unnecessary and improper. Moreover, the proposed \$18.00 per month cap (inclusive of the associated restrictions proposed by Dr. Roycroft) is unreasonable and

¹⁹⁴ EQ St. 2.1 (Bailey Rebuttal) at p. 60, lines 10-20.

¹⁹⁵ OCA St. 1 (Roycroft Direct) at p. 35, lines 16-20.

¹⁹⁶ Id. at p. 36, n. 75.

¹⁹⁷ Id. at p. 315, lines 18-20.

¹⁹⁸ ld. at lines 20-23.

burdensome. The \$18.00 per month cap was established in 2003 as a result of the Commission's adoption of settlement agreement involving Pennsylvania's rural ILECs. OCA has failed to provide any justification for continuing the existing cap for another three years – i.e., for a total of over nine years. This is a particularly unnecessary and burdensome condition given that the Commission is addressing rate caps in its on-going USF investigation, as addressed below.

Moreover, as the Pennsylvania Supreme Court noted in the Verizon/MCI merger regarding price concessions sought in that proceeding, the recent and revolutionary changes affecting the telecommunications industry" do not require rate conditions. Dr. Roycroft in his own testimony emphasized market uncertainties affecting the telecommunications industry. As Mr. Bailey testified: "CenturyTel and Embarq are combining to have increased financial flexibility in operating during a turbulent competitive and economic period. The benefits are clear and affirmative." Simply put, OCA witness Dr. Roycroft's rate cap condition is an onerous, improper condition belonging to a bygone era. 203

Finally, the Commission's on-going USF investigation may impact rate caps, banked revenues, and the interrelationship of the state USF. Dr. Roycroft has failed to explain the necessity and reasonableness of this proposed condition in light of the Commission's on-going

¹⁹⁹ Access Charge Investigation per Global Order of September 30, 1999 et al., Docket Nos. M-00021596 et al., Order (July 15, 2003).

²⁰⁰ Popowsky, 937 A.2d at 1058-59 (A rate cap was unnecessary in the context of a telecommunications combination, namely: "the recent and revolutionary changes affecting the telecommunications industry – including new market structure; rapid technological advances affecting business planning; intense intermodal competition; and altered business incentives, such as the resultant and continuing incentive for vast capital investments in infrastructure, research, and development.").

²⁰¹ EO St. 2.1 (Bailey Rebuttal) at p. 60 (describing Mr. Roycroft's testimony).

²⁰² Id.

²⁰³ Embarq PA's rates for noncompetitive services are subject to Commission review in Embarq PA's annual price cap filings. Commission oversight and review, therefore, is provided by statute and the established annual price cap filing process in the event that Embarq PA sought to increase rates for noncompetitive services. Additional, restrictive measures in the form of "conditions" to ensure the Embarq PA's rates for noncompetitive services remain just and reasonable are unnecessary and unreasonable.

investigation. The Commission should not balkanize Embarq PA and its regulatory options through the proposed condition given the Commission's on-going investigation.

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b. Broadband Deployment

Through the period ending December 31, 2012, Dr. Roycroft also recommends that that Embarq PA be required to invest an additional \$34 million to accelerate deployment of broadband services with the objective of achieving as close to 100% deployment as quickly as possible. Dr. Roycroft also recommends filing of quarterly reports with the Commission identifying the impact of expending the additional \$34 million above its baseline expenditures. Dr. Roycroft's additional reporting requirement would require that Embarq PA report the projected new date when 100% availability will be achieved. 205

Dr. Roycroft's proposal to condition the transaction to require acceleration of Embarq PA's existing, statutorily-imposed deployment of broadband remains legally suspect and burdensome. Embarq PA's modified amended alternative regulation plan cannot be amended, as Dr. Roycroft has proposed, without Embarq PA's consent. The Pennsylvania Public Utility Code, therefore, expressly prohibits Dr. Roycroft's proposed condition. In no other merger transaction to date has this Commission seen fit to impose such a costly, legally infirm, and unreasonable condition.

Moreover, Embarq PA is in full compliance with the requirements of Pennsylvania's alternative regulation statute, Act 183 of 2004, as well as with the conditions agreed to in the stipulation approved by the Commission in Embarq's separation from Sprint Nextel.²⁰⁷ There has been no demonstration that Embarq PA has failed to meet its regulatory or statutory

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²⁰⁴ OCA St. 1 (Roycroft Direct) at p. 37.

²⁰⁵ Id. at p. 38.

²⁰⁶ 66 Pa. C.S. § 3013(b).

²⁰⁷ EO St. 1.1 (Bonsick Rebuttal) at p. 8, lines 1-5.

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	Α	В	С	D	E	F	G	Н
	CC_NAME	SANAME	YEAR	SACPL	NACPL	Annual Support Pay	Monthly Support Pay	CAT_13_LOOPS
2	FairPoint Communications, Inc.	BENTLEYVILLE TEL CO	2008	441.93	382.97	2733.75	28.48	2777
3	Frontier Communications Corporation	FRONTIER-BREEZEWOOD	2008	345.02	382.97	0	0	3989
4	D&E Communications, Inc.	BUFFALO VALLEY TEL	2008	331.6	382.97	0	0	19459
5	Frontier Communications Corporation	FRONTIER-CANTON	2008	294.29	382.97	0	0	3931
6		CITIZENS - KECKSBURG	2008	408.98	382.97	0	0	4361
	Frontier Communications Corporation	COMMONWEALTH TEL CO	2008	331.6	382.97	0	0	281214
8	D&E Communications, Inc.	THE CONESTOGA TEL	2008	331.6	382.97	0	0	51226
	D&E Communications, Inc.	DENVER & EPHRATA	2008	331.6	382.97	0	0	53069
10	Frontier Communications Corporation	FRONTIER-PA	2008	186.75	382.97	0	0	24752
11	Verizon Communications Inc.	VERIZON NORTH-PA	2008	301.79	357.07	0	0	464130
12	Verizon Communications Inc.	VERIZON N-PA(CONTEL)	2008	251.01	382.97	0	0	54119
13		HICKORY TEL CO	2008	467.57	382.97	23845.72	248.39	1351
14		IRONTON TEL CO	2008	395.2	382.97	0	0	5009
	Windstream Corporation	WINDSTREAM PA	2008	302.55	382.97	0	0	203846
16		LACKAWAXEN TELECOM	2008	258.62	382.97	0	0	3731
	Frontier Communications Corporation	FRONTIER-LAKEWOOD	2008	281.11	382.97	0	0	1433
18		LAUREL HIGHLAND TEL	2008	441.36	382.97	3449.03	35.93	5618
19	Telephone And Data Systems, Inc.	MAHANOY & MAHANTANGO	2008	395.3	382.97	0	0	3827
20	FairPoint Communications, Inc.	MARIANNA - SCENERY	2008	504.4	382.97	97611.55	1016.79	2347
	Armstrong Holdings	ARMSTRONG TEL CO-PA	2008	881.91	382.97	492461.23	5129.8	1550
22		NORTH-EASTERN PA TEL	2008	465.79	382.97	191307.24	1992.78	11599
23		NORTH PENN TEL CO	2008	624.01	382.97	651165.4	6782.97	5239
	Consolidated Communications, Inc.	CONSOLIDATED COMM-PA	2008	331.6	382.97	0	0	60184
	Frontier Communications Corporation	FRONTIER-OSWAYO RIVR	2008	234.67	382.97	0	0	2157
	Armstrong Holdings	ARMSTRONG TEL NORTH	2008	540.48	382.97	31480.29	327.92	484
27		PALMERTON TEL CO	2008	443.57	382.97	22025.67	229.43	10742
28		PENNSYLVANIA TEL CO	2008	467.24	382.97	23869.78	248.64	1369
	Pymatuning Holding Company, Inc.	PYMATUNING IND TEL	2008	451.23	382.97	15886.5	165.48	2260
	Verizon Communications Inc.	VERIZON N-PA(QUAKER)	2008	233.6	382.97	0	0	45867
31		SOUTH CANAAN TEL CO	2008	467.15	382.97	47735.79	497.25	2747
32	Telephone And Data Systems, Inc.	SUGAR VALLEY TEL CO	2008	471.55	382.97	21694.52	225.98	1072
33	Embarq Corporation	THE UTC OF PA	2008	316.52	382.97	0	0	311750
34 35		VENUS TEL CORP	2008	467.86	382.97	23814.96	248.07	1335
35		YUKON - WALTZ TEL CO	2008	476.66	382.97	19907.29	207.37	845
36		WEST SIDE TEL CO-PA	2008	666.3	382.97	6240.38	65	40
37	Verizon Communications Inc.	VERIZON PENNSYLVANIA	2008	305.38	357.07	0	0	4459242

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Response of The United Telephone Company of Pennsylvania LLC d/b/a CenturyLink
To Discovery Propounded by Sprint Nextel -- Set II

Response Sponsor: Jeff Lindsey and Christy Londerholm

Sprint-CTL 2-1:

What is CenturyLink's cost of providing basic local service? Please describe how the cost of service was determined and provide all documents, worksheets, papers, etc. used to determine the cost of service.

Objection:

To the extent the question requests undertaking a cost study of basic local exchange service and a description of how the cost of service was determined, CenturyLink objects on the ground that doing so would require the making of an unreasonable investigation and an onerous special study which cannot be reasonably conducted. The question in this regard would cause unreasonable investigation as well as annoyance, burden, and expense. 52 Pa. Code §§5.361(a) and (b). Moreover, to the extent the question seeks cost information about services other than intrastate switched access services, CenturyLink objects on the ground that the information is not relevant and not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence 52 Pa. Code §5.321. Finally, CenturyLink objects on the basis that the information is not relevant to any Commission-identified issue in this proceeding and not likely to lead to admissible evidence. Indeed, Sprint now opens the door to the relitigation of issues (in this instance cost matters) at issue in the PA USF proceeding Docket No. I-00040105.

Response:

Subject to and without waiver of CenturyLink's general or specific objections, CenturyLink has not endeavored to undertake cost studies in this proceeding for either basic local service or switched access service. The Office of Consumer Advocate (OCA) in the PA USF proceeding at Docket No. I-00040105 had provided cost study testimony. Specifically, as Sprint is aware, OCA witness Dr. Loube presented cost study results showing that CenturyLink's overall average monthly cost per line at the exchange level was approximately \$42, but costs for each exchange and costs within an exchange can greatly vary and can be significantly times higher than that OCA-provided average.

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Response Sponsor: Jeff Lindsey/Christy Londerholm

Sprint-CTL 2-2:

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Objection:

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Response:

Subject to and without waiver of CenturyLink's general or specific objections, See, response to Sprint-CTL 2-1.

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Pennsylvania

Wireless Facts

Subscribers:

9,615,349

Population:

12,440,536

Percentage of Wireless Consumers: 77%

Wireless-Only Households:

11.0%

Industry in Pennsylvania

Service Providers:

9 (in urban areas)

Wireless Employees in the State:

4,915

Average Annual Wireless Payroll:

\$304,799,000

Average Annual Wireless Employee Wage: \$62,010

Wireless Subscriber Growth

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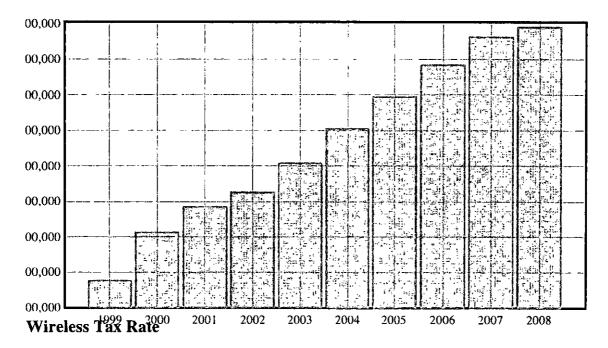


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State-Local Rate
13.50%
Federal Rate
4.19%
Combined Monthly Tax Rate
17.69%
Rank Nationally
8th

Breakdown

- State Sales Tax (Access, Interstate and Intrastate) 6.00%
- State Gross Receipts Tax (Access, Interstate and Intrastate) 5.00%
- Local Sales Tax (Philadelphia, 1%, and Harrisburg, 0%) 0.50%
- Statewide Wireless 9-1-1 (\$1 per month effective 4/1/04) 2.00%

Federal Wireless

Issues

- Keeping The Internet Tax-Free
- Wireless Amber AlertsTM
- Adding Wireless Facilities
- Consumer Code
- Support One National Policy For Wireless
- Wireless 9-1-1 Services
- Safe Driving
- Cell Tax Fairness Act Of 2009
- Internet Regulation or Network Neutrality
- Listed Property

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 Legislature link: www.legis.state.pa.us

• Governor's link: www.governor.state.pa.us

All Information Compiled from the Following Sources:

- Dr. Robert Roche, CTIA-The Wireless Association's Vice President for Research, Washington, D.C., http://www.ctia.org.
- Scott Mackey, Partner and Economist, Kimbell Sherman Ellis, LLP, Montpelier, VT, http://www.ksefocus.com/why-kse/people/scott-mackey, from Tax Analysts, Special Report, State Tax Notes, February, 2008, "Excessive Taxes and Fees on Wireless Service: Recent Trends," by Scott Mackey.
- Federal Communications Commission, FCC's Industry Analysis and Technology Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, July 2009, "Local Telephone Competition: Status as of June 30, 2008," http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/DOC-292193A1.pdf.
- Data on employment and wages by state are available from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) Census of Employment and Wages (CEW) at http://data.bls.gov/PDQ/outside.jsp?survey=en. The wireless industry data is retrievable through NAICS 5172 - Wireless Telecommunications Carriers.
- The data on state population and household income is available via drop down menu from the Fact Sheets available from the U.S. Census Fact Finder page, at http://factfinder.census.gov/home/saff/main.html?lang=en.
- Write your lawmakers

Protect your wireless interests

• Spread the Word

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AT&T Communications of Pennsylvania, LLC, et al, vs. Armstrong Telephone Company – Pennsylvania, et al. Docket No. C-2009-2098380, et al.

Response of The United Telephone Company of Pennsylvania LLC d/b/a CenturyLink
To Discovery Propounded by Sprint Nextel -- Set II

Response Sponsor: David Bonsick

Sprint-CTL 2-8:

Please provide the 2009 Biannual [sic] Network Modernization Plan Report as filed by your Company.

Objection:

First, CenturyLink's 2009 report is not relevant and is not likely to lead to admissible evidence. 52 Pa. Code §5.321. Moreover, an RLEC's compliance and reporting with network modernization plans is not an identified issue in this proceeding and not likely to lead to admissible evidence. Second, CenturyLink's 2009 report contains both public information and confidential information. The confidential information is competitively sensitive – e.g., competitive network deployment information by exchange. See, Sprint/Blue Ridge proceeding. Sprint is clearly on a fishing expedition.

Response:

Subject to and without waiver of CenturyLink's general or specific objections, see attached <u>redacted</u> CenturyLink 2009 Biennial Network Modernization Plan Report.

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Embarq Corporation 240 N. Third St., Suite 201 Harrisburg, PA 17101 EMBARQ.com

Attachment to Sprint-CTL 2-8

March 12, 2009

VIA HAND DELIVERY

Mr. James J. McNulty, Secretary Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission Commonwealth Keystone Building 400 North Street Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120

Re:

Petition Of The United Telephone Company of Pennsylvania LLC For Approval Under Chapter 30 Of The Public Utility Code Of An Alternative Regulation And Network Modernization Plan,

Docket No. P-00981410

Biennial Network Modernization Plan (NMP) Report

Dear Secretary McNulty.

Attached is the Bionnial Network Modernization Plan Report submitted by The United Telephone Company of Pennsylvania LLC d/b/a Embarq Pennsylvania ("Embarq Pennsylvania") as required by Embarq Pennsylvania's Amended Alternative Regulation Plan.

Portions of this Report are considered Proprietary to Embarq Pennsylvania. Specifically, Attachments 3, 4 and 5 are considered Proprietary by Embarq Pennsylvania. Consistent with Embarq Pennsylvania's Petition for Protective Order filed with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission March 12, 2009, proprietary and public versions of the attached report are enclosed.

Embarq Pennsylvania is pleased to provide the attached report detailing the progress made in the deployment of our broadband network. The Parties noted below have been provided copies of the attached report subject to execution of a proprietary agreement.

David F. Bonsick
DIRECTOR GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS
PENNSYLVANIA AND NEW JERSEY
Voice: [717] 236-1385
Fax: [717] 236-1389

James J. McNulty, Secretary March 12, 2009 Page 2 of 2

If there are any questions regarding this information, please contact Nancy A. Clay at (717) 245-6448.

Sincerely,

David Bonsick

ee: Robert Wilson (Proprietary and Non-Proprietary Copy)

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Russell R. Gutshall, Embarq Pennsylvania

Nancy A. Clay, Embarq Pennsylvania

➤ Biennial NMP Implementation Update Report – 2008 for

The United Telephone Company of Pennsylvania LLC d/b/a Embarq Pennsylvania

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Revision of December 10, 2008

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- 1 The Executive Summary and Discussion
- 2 NMP Key Plan Components Status Sheet
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- 6 The 13 Guidelines Status and Compliance

Required Item #3

DSL Status

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Attachment 3

THE UNITED TELEPHONE COMPANY OF PENNSYLVANIA LLC d/b/a EMBARQ PENNSYLVANIA 2008 BIENNIAL NMP REPORT

DSL AVAILABILITY STATUS - Sheet #2

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DSL Service	Exchange Availability
Ex	changes
Exchange DSL Availability (Sheet 1, Column f) (a)	Number of Y/P/N Exchanges (count from Sheet 1, Column f) (b)
100% (=Y) Partial (=P) None (=N) Total	92

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DSL STATUS - CUSTOMERS IN SERVICE (SALES)

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Total	64,641	7,129	71,770							

DSL Service DSL to Resellers or Wholesalers										
	Reseller	Wholesaler	Total							
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Total	72	7,115	7,187							

DSL Service Total DSL Sales										
	Total of all DSL Above									
Total	78,957									



THE UNITED TELEPHONE COMPANY OF PENNSYLVANIA LLC d/b/a EMBARQ PENNSYLVANIA 2008 BIENNIAL NMP REPORT

DSL UNITS IN SERVICE

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§ 63.58. Installation of service.

- (a) Ninety-five percent of a public utility's primary service order installation shall be completed within 5 working days of receipt of an application unless a later date is requested by the applicant or when construction is required.
- (b) Ninety percent of a public utility's nonprimary service orders shall be completed no later than 20 days of receipt of an application unless a later date is requested by the applicant. If the utility company is unable to fill a nonprimary service order within the requisite time, the utility shall so inform the applicant and provide the applicant with the date nonprimary service will be available.
- (c) Ninety percent of a public utility's commitments to applicants as to date of installation of service orders shall be met, except for applicant-caused delays, adverse weather conditions and other supervening causes beyond the utility company's control.

Authority

The provisions of this § 63.58 issued under the Public Utility Code, 66 Pa.C.S. § § 501, 504, 1501, 1504 and 2901.

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