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April 11, 2019

VIA ECFS

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554

Attention: Wireline Competition Bureau

**RE: Notification of Discontinuance of Common-Carriage Tariffed Wireline
Broadband Internet Access Service ("WBIAS") and Initiation of Provision on
a Permissive Detariffed Common-Carriage Basis by:**

**Southwest Texas Telephone Company d/b/a Southwest Texas Communications
FCC Registration Number 0001687557
Study Area Code 442135**

CC Docket No. 02-33

Dear Ms. Dortch:

John Staurulakis, Inc. ("JSI"), on behalf of Southwest Texas Telephone Company d/b/a Southwest Texas Communications ("Company") respectfully files the attached notice pursuant to the *Wireline Broadband Order* of the intent of the Company to discontinue its Wireline Broadband Internet Access Service ("WBIAS") offerings under an interstate access tariff filed with the Federal Communications Commission. The Company currently offers WBIAS in the form of Digital Subscriber Line ("DSL") Access Service pursuant to NECA Tariff F.C.C. No. 5. Effective July 2, 2019, the Company will exit NECA Tariff F.C.C. No. 5 and become an issuing carrier for the JSI Tariff F.C.C. No. 1. However, the Company's joining of the JSI Tariff F.C.C. No. 1 will be exclusive of WBIAS.

Upon discontinuance of the tariffed offerings, the Company will provide WBIAS on a common-carriage non-tariffed basis. See *Appropriate Framework for Broadband Access to the Internet over Wireline Facilities, Universal Service Obligations of Broadband Providers*, CC Docket No. 02-33, WC Docket No. 05-271, Report and Order and Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 20 FCC Rcd 14853 (2005), FCC 05-150 (Rel. Sept. 23, 2005), ("*Wireline Broadband Order*").

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Any questions regarding the notice may be directed to the undersigned.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Kuykendall". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "John" and last name "Kuykendall" clearly distinguishable.

John Kuykendall
Vice President
jkuykendall@jsitel.com

Attachment

cc: Southwest Texas Telephone Company d/b/a Southwest Texas Communications
Special Assistant for Telecommunications at the Department of Defense
The Office of the Honorable Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas
Public Utility Commission of Texas
National Exchange Carrier Association

Notice of Permissive Detariffing of Wireline Broadband Internet Access Service
Effective July 2, 2019 by
SOUTHWEST TEXAS TELEPHONE COMPANY
D/B/A SOUTHWEST TEXAS COMMUNICATIONS – SAC 442135
P.O. Box 128
Rocksprings, TX 78880
(830) 683-2111
CC Docket No. 02-33

Southwest Texas Telephone Company d/b/a Southwest Texas Communications (“Company”) hereby provides notice that it plans to terminate provision of wireline broadband Internet access service (“WBIAS”) on a tariffed basis effective July 2, 2019 at which time it plans to offer permissive detariffed WBIAS on a Title II common-carriage basis pursuant to paragraph 94 of the Federal Communications Commission’s *Wireline Broadband Order*.¹ The Company currently offers WBIAS through Digital Subscriber Line (“DSL”) Access Service under NECA Tariff F.C.C. No. 5.

Effective July 2, 2019, the Company will be canceled by NECA as an issuing carrier for NECA Tariff F.C.C. No. 5 concurrent with the Company becoming an issuing carrier for JSI Tariff F.C.C. No. 1, exclusive of WBIAS.

Impact on Customers

The only customer for the Company’s WBIAS is the Company’s nonregulated Internet Service Provider (“ISP”) operation. The discontinuance of the tariffed offering of WBIAS will have no effect on the end user service provided by the Company’s ISP operation.

Serving Area

The Company’s provision of WBIAS is limited to its ILEC serving area in Texas.

Future Availability of WBIAS on a Permissive-Detariffed Common Carriage Basis

The Company will continue to make WBIAS available on a common-carriage basis through posting of rates, terms and conditions on its Internet web-site in a manner similar to that required for interstate and international interexchange services under Section 42.10 of the FCC’s rules (47 C.F.R. § 42.10).

¹ See *Appropriate Framework for Broadband Access to the Internet over Wireline Facilities, Universal Service Obligations of Broadband Providers*, CC Docket No. 02-33, WC Docket No. 05-271, Report and Order and Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 20 FCC Rcd 14853 (2005), FCC 05-150 (Rel. Sept. 23, 2005), (“*Wireline Broadband Order*”).

**SOUTHWEST TEXAS TELEPHONE COMPANY
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P.O. Box 128, Rocksprings, TX 78880
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WBIAS DETARIFFING TIMELINE

April 11, 2019

30-Day Notice filed with following:

Federal Communications Commission (under CC Docket No. 02-33)
Special Assistant for Telecommunications at the Department of Defense
The Office of the Honorable Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas
Public Utility Commission of Texas
National Exchange Carrier Association

April 11, 2019

Notice to customers. As indicated above, the only customer for the Company's wireline broadband Internet Access Service ("WBIAS") is the Company's nonregulated ISP operation. The 30-day notice to the ISP will be provided by interoffice memorandum cover with this notice attached.

June 17, 2019

Expected filing by National Exchange Carrier Association ("NECA") with the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") on 15-day notice of a tariff transmittal that will include, inter alia, cancellation of Southwest Texas Telephone Company d/b/a Southwest Texas Communications as an issuing carrier for NECA Tariff F.C.C. No. 5.

June 17, 2019

Expected filing by John Staurulakis Inc., ("JSI") of a transmittal adding Southwest Texas Telephone Company d/b/a Southwest Texas Communications as an issuing carrier for JSI Tariff F.C.C. No. 1 exclusive of WBIAS.

July 2, 2019

Planned effective date for cancellation by NECA of Southwest Texas Telephone Company d/b/a Southwest Texas Communications as an issuing carrier for NECA Tariff F.C.C. No. 5. Planned effective date for addition of Southwest Texas Telephone Company d/b/a Southwest Texas Communications as an issuing carrier for JSI Tariff F.C.C. No. 1 exclusive of WBIAS.

July 2, 2019 Forward

Southwest Texas Telephone Company d/b/a Southwest Texas Communications WBIAS available on common-carriage non-tariffed basis under rates, terms and conditions posted at www.swtexas.com or available during business hours at the above address.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the foregoing Notification of Discontinuance of Tariffed Common Carrier Wireline Broadband Internet Access Service was served this 11th day of April, 2019, by mailing true and correct copies thereof, postage prepaid, to the following persons:

Secretary of Defense
Attn: Special Assistant for Telecommunications
1000 Defense Pentagon
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