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VIA ECFS

August 29, 2017

Kris Monteith
Acting Bureau Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau
Office of the Secretary
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

RE: Notice of Discontinuance of Common Carrier Broadband Internet Access Transmission
as a Separate Service Under Tariff

GN Docket No. 14-28; CC Docket No. 02-33; WC Docket No. 10-90

Dear Ms. Monteith,

Pursuant to the 2006 *Wireline Broadband Classification Order*¹ and the *Open Internet Order*², Scott County Telephone Company, LLC, Study Area Code 403031, hereby notifies the FCC of the Company's discontinuance of consumer broadband-only loop (CBOL) service under tariff effective November 1, 2017. Further, the Company will not offer the broadband Internet access transmission service as a separate component of its broadband Internet access service. As such, broadband Internet transmission will only be furnished as part of a complete broadband Internet access service that the Company provides to its end users either through itself or its affiliate. Scott County Telephone Company, LLC makes this election on sixty (60) days notice as prescribed in the 2016 *Rate-of-Return Reform Order*³ and applies to the entirety the Company's study area.

Scott County Telephone Company, LLC currently provides currently offers consumer broadband-only loop service (CBOL) pursuant to the terms and conditions of the National Exchange Carrier Association's Tariff No. 5. To date there have been no subscribers to CBOL service. Digital subscriber line transmission service has never been a tariffed service by the Company and has been exclusively offered as a complete broadband Internet access service through its affiliate. The Company has provided notice to its ISP affiliate via interoffice memorandum that it will not be able to purchase CBOL service via NECA Tariff 5, and instead will need to provision the service as a complete broadband Internet access service effective November 1, 2017.

¹ *Appropriate Framework for Broadband Access to the Internet Over Wireline Facilities et al.*, CC Docket No. 02-33 et al., Report and Order and Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, FCC 05-150 (rel. Sept. 23, 2005), para. 101 (*Wireline Broadband Classification Order*).

² *Protecting and Promoting the Open Internet*, GN Docket No. 14.28, Report and Order on Remand, Declaratory Ruling and Order, 30 FCC Rcd 5601, Para 460 and n. 1378 (2015).

³ *Connect America Fund et al.*, WC Docket No. 10-90 et al., Report and Order, Order and Order on Reconsideration, and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 31 FCC Rcd 3087, 3159, para. 193 (2016) (*Rate-of-Return Reform Order*).

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A copy of this notice is also being sent to the Arkansas Public Service Commission, the Governor of Arkansas, and the Special Assistant for Telecommunications at the Department of Defense.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Karen Gilliam". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Karen Gilliam
General Manager
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karen@scotttel.com

Attachment

Scott County Telephone Company, LLC
Study Area Code 403031

Notice of Discontinuance of Consumer Broadband Only Loop Service Under Tariff
CC Docket No. 02-33
GN Docket No. 14-28
WC Docket No. 10-90

Scott County Telephone Company, LLC currently offers consumer broadband-only loop service under tariff through the National Exchange Carrier Association (NECA) Tariff F.C.C. No. 5. Scott County Telephone Company, LLC hereby provides notice that the Company has requested from NECA that it remove the Company as a provider of Consumer Broadband-Only Loop Services under Tariff F.C.C. No. 5, effective July 1, 2017. Scott County Telephone Company, LLC had previously ceased offering Digital Subscriber Line Access service under tariff and currently offers on a detariffed basis.

Scott County Telephone Company, LLC will continue to provide broadband Internet access transmission service on a permissive detariffed basis and on a private carriage basis exclusively to its affiliate Internet service provider (ISP). Since the Company will cease to offer its broadband Internet access transmission on a common carrier basis, it is no longer necessary for it to make public the rates, terms, and conditions of the service. Instead, the rates, terms and conditions of the service will be furnished upon request to its affiliate ISP via intercompany memorandum.

The permissive detariffing of Scott County Telephone Company, LLC's broadband Internet access and CBOL service will apply to the entirety of the Company's study area. This includes the following exchanges: Lake Hinkle.

Presently, Scott County Telephone Company, LLC's only customer for its broadband Internet access transmission service is the Company's own non-regulated ISP affiliate. The Company's affiliated ISP purchases broadband Internet access transmission and CBOL service for use as an input to the retail broadband Internet access services it offers to residential and business end-user customers. The discontinuance of the tariffed offering of CBOL and the change to offering under a private carriage arrangement will have no effect on the end-user services provided by the Company's affiliated ISP.

On April 27, 2017, Scott County Telephone Company, LLC furnished its affiliated ISP with the attached memorandum, which notifies the ISP of the Company's plan to discontinue its provisioning of CBOL service under tariff and change to a private carriage basis exclusively.

cc: Arkansas Public Service Commission
Governor of Arkansas
Special Assistant for Telecommunications at the Department of Defense



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To: Scott County Telephone

From: Karen Gilliam, General Manager, Scott County Telephone Company, LLC

Date: April 28, 2017

RE: Notice of Detariffing and Discontinuance of Consumer Broadband-Only Loop Service as a Separate Service

This is to notify you of a change in the way in which Scott County Telephone Company, LLC provides CBOL service, which is used as an input for the broadband Internet access services that you offer to residential and business end-user customers.

Presently, Scott County Telephone Company, LLC offers CBOL service under tariff through the National Exchange Carrier Association (NECA) Tariff F.C.C. No. 5. Effective November 1, 2017, Scott County Telephone Company, LLC will no longer offer its CBOL service under the NECA tariff. Instead, it will offer the service on a detariffed basis as a complete broadband Internet access service - similar to how Scott County Telephone Company, LLC provides your current broadband Internet access transmission service. On and after November 1, 2017, all broadband internet transmission services, including CBOL, will only be available to end user customers in conjunction with the Company's retail broadband Internet access service offering throughout the entirety of Scott County's service area.

Sincerely,

Karen Gilliam
General Manager