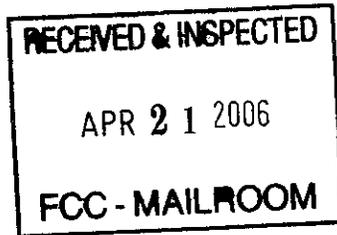


Gary Zingaretti
Senior Vice President



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April 20, 2006

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

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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:

Hickory Telephone Company – Study Area Code 170171

CC Docket No. 02-33

Dear Ms. Dortch:

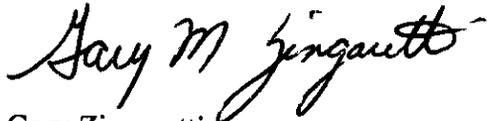
ICORE, Inc. on behalf of Hickory Telephone Company (Company), an issuing carrier for NECA Tariff F.C.C. No. 5, respectfully files the attached amended notice pursuant to the *Wireline Broadband Order* of the intent of the Company to discontinue its Wireline Broadband Internet Access Service (WBIAS) offerings under NECA Tariff F.C.C. No. 5 effective July 1, 2006. 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*).

Consistent with the provisions of the Order, the Company will continue to offer grandfathered customers service at the rates, terms and conditions identical to those presently available under the Company's tariff through November 15, 2006.

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Any questions regarding the notice may be directed to me at telephone number 610-928-3944 or by email at gzing@icoreinc.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gary M. Zingaretti". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "G" and "M".

Gary Zingaretti
Senior Vice President

Attachment

cc: Hickory Telephone Company
Special Assistant for Telecommunications at the Department of Defense
The Honorable Edward G. Rendell, Governor of Pennsylvania
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
National Exchange Carrier Association

Notice of Permissive Detariffing of Wireline Broadband Internet Access Service
Effective July 1, 2006 by

AMENDED

HICKORY TELEPHONE COMPANY – SAC170171

75 Main Street
Hickory, PA 15340
(724) 356-2211

CC Docket No. 02-33

April 20, 2006

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Hickory Telephone Company (“Company”) hereby provides notice that it plans to terminate provision of wireline broadband Internet access service (WBIAS) on a tariffed basis effective July 1, 2006 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 Asymmetric Digital Subscriber Line (“ADSL”) Access Service under National Exchange Carrier Association (“NECA”) Tariff F.C.C. No. 5, for which the Company is an issuing carrier.

Concurrent with this notice, the Company is requesting of NECA that it remove the Company as a carrier listed in NECA Tariff F.C.C. No. 5 as a provider of ADSL Access Service (hereinafter “WBIAS”) under the tariff effective July 1, 2006.

Impact on Customers

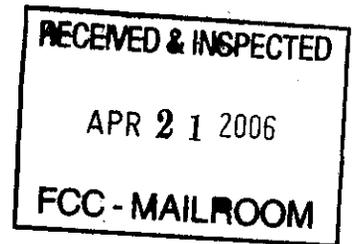
The only customer for the Company’s WBIAS is the nonregulated Internet Service Provider (“ISP”) operation of the Company. The nonregulated operation of the Company purchases WBIAS for use as a component in its broadband Internet service sold to consumers and business customers. The discontinuance of the tariffed offering of WBIAS will have no effect on the end user service provided by Company. Please see Attachment 1 which is a copy of the interoffice memorandum sent. Also, please note non-tariffed, grandfathered rates, terms and conditions can be found at www.hky.com.

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 (www.hky.com) 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). The initial rates will be those offered under tariff. Any change in rates, terms and conditions will be made on fifteen-day advance notice to customers and shall apply to both the affiliates and non-affiliates on a non-discriminatory basis. Cost allocations related to WBIAS will continue to be handled as under the *status quo*.

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*).

HICKORY TELEPHONE COMPANY
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WBIAS DETARIFFING TIMELINE

April 20, 2006

Advance Notice filed with following:

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

May 1, 2006

Notice to customers.

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

June 16, 2006

Expected filing by NECA on 15-day notice of tariff transmittal that will include, *inter alia*, removal of Hickory Telephone Company from the list of issuing carriers offering ADSL Access Service.

July 1, 2006

Planned NECA tariff filing to become effective. Beginning on this date the Company no longer offers WBIAS under NECA Tariff F.C.C. No. 5.

July 1, 2006 Forward

WBIAS available on common-carriage non-tariffed basis under rates, terms and conditions posted at www.hky.com.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

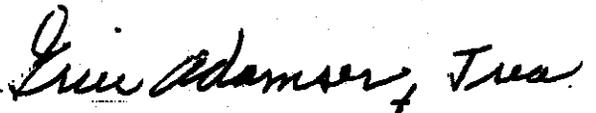
I, Grier Adamson, hereby certify that a copy of the forgoing Notice of De-Tariffing has been sent, by overnight mail, this 20th day of April 2006, to the following:

Secretary of Defense
Attn: Special Assistant for Telecommunications
Pentagon
1000 Defense Pentagon
Washington, D.C. 20301-1000

Governor Edward G. Rendell's Office
225 Main Capitol Building
Harrisburg, PA 17120

James J. McNulty, Secretary
Public Utility Commission
State of Pennsylvania
North St. & Commonwealth Avenue
Room B-18, North Office Building
P.O. Box 3265
Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265

Ms. Val Kostenko
National Exchange Carrier Association (NECA)
80 South Jefferson Avenue
Whippany, NJ 07981



Grier Adamson
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MEMO:

TO: HTC Communications
FROM: Hickory Telephone Company
DATE: April 20, 2006
SUBJECT: Detariffing DSL Access Services

This memo provides formal notification that on or after July 1, 2006, Hickory Telephone Company (the "Company") will no longer offer tariffed DSL Access Services to the public in its ILEC serving area in Pennsylvania. Currently, DSL Access Service is offered by the Company pursuant to its interstate access tariff, NECA Tariff No. 5 (the "Tariff"). As required by the FCC, the Company will continue to offer services under the rates, terms and conditions offered under the tariff on a grandfathered basis until November 15, 2006; or until such time as you opt to order service pursuant to the Company's detariffed offering(s).

The DSL Access Services to be detariffed typically are used to provide high speed broadband transmission services to an internet service provider's end user customers. While we are not discontinuing this service, the rates, terms and conditions of service will no longer be provided under the Tariff but instead will be posted on our website (www.hky.com) and generally available to prospective customers.

These actions are taken in accordance with the FCC's Report and Order, released September 23, 2005, In the Matter of the Appropriate Framework for Broadband Access to the Internet Over Wireline Facilities. See FCC Document "FCC 05-150" and FCC Docket "CC Docket 02-33".

Please contact me if you have any questions:

Phone Number (724) 356-2211

E-Mail grier@hky.com