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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:

**Citizens Telephone Company d/b/a Comporium Communications
FCC Registration Number 0001961416
Study Area Code 230473**

CC Docket No. 02-33

Dear Ms. Dortch:

John Staurulakis, Inc. (“JSI”), on behalf of Citizens Telephone Company d/b/a Comporium 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 National Exchange Carrier Association (“NECA”) Tariff F.C.C. No. 5. Effective July 1, 2009, the Company will cancel as an issuing carrier for 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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Secretary, Federal Communications Commission
May 29, 2009

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

Sincerely,

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Attachment

cc: The Honorable Beverly Perdue, Governor, State of North Carolina
North Carolina Utilities Commission
Citizens Telephone Company d/b/a Comporium Communications
Special Assistant for Telecommunications at the Department of Defense
National Exchange Carrier Association

**CITIZENS TELEPHONE COMPANY
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Citizens Telephone Company d/b/a Comporium Communications (“Company”) hereby provides notice that it plans to terminate provision of wireline broadband Internet access service (WBIAS) on a tariffed basis effective July 1, 2009 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 National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc. (“NECA”) Tariff F.C.C. No. 5.

Effective July 1, 2009, the Company will cease to be an issuing carrier for NECA Tariff F.C.C. No. 5, pursuant to cancellation that shall be filed by NECA as part of the annual filing transmittal scheduled for June 16, 2009. Concurrent with cancellation of the Company as an issuing carrier for NECA tariff F.C.C. No. 5, the Company will become an issuing carrier for JSI F.C.C. Tariff 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 North Carolina.

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*”).

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WBIAS Detariffing Timeline

May 29, 2009

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 Honorable Beverly Perdue, Governor, State of North Carolina
North Carolina Utilities Commission
National Exchange Carrier Association

May 29, 2009

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 16, 2009

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 Citizens Telephone Company d/b/a Comporium Communications as an issuing carrier for NECA Tariff F.C.C. No. 5.

June 16, 2009

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

July 1, 2009

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

July 1, 2009 Forward

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

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the foregoing Notification of Discontinuance of Common Carrier Wireline Broadband Internet Access Service was served this 29th day of May, 2009, by mailing true and correct copies thereof, postage prepaid, to the following persons:

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