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Mr. Darrell Nitschke
Executive Secretary
Public Utilities Division
Public Service Commission
600 East Boulevard Ave, Dept 408
Bismarck ND 58505-0480

RE: WRT TARIFF Section 10.3 Special Rates and Charges

Dear Mr. Nitschke:

The updated West River Telecommunications Cooperative's Section 10 Rates and Charges is enclosed for filing. Changes were made to Section 10.3 Special Rates and Charges 10.3.1.

We are enclosing three copies of West River Telecommunications Cooperative's updated Tariff, Section 10.3.1 effective retroactive to April 1, 2012. Our request that this change be retroactive to April 1, 2012 is the result of the FCC issued Public Notice DA 12-493 that clarifies the new Lifeline flat rate of \$9.25 will not be effective April 1, 2012 and will not be until after OMB approves the data collection provisions of that rule. We are also enclosing one copy of the strike through version.

We are sending three copies of our Tariff changes, two are for the Public Service Commission and one is to be date stamped and returned to us for our documentation of the filing.

We will send an electronic copy to ndpsc@nd.gov

Please contact me if you have any questions about this filing.

Sincerely,

Loretta Beckman
Executive Assistant

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Enclosures (4)
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West River Telecommunications Cooperative
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RATES AND CHARGES

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RATES AND CHARGES

10.1 GENERAL

This section contains the rates and charges for the services identified in this Tariff. Rates and charges are generally per item charges or monthly rates as the context warrants, unless otherwise noted.

10.2 LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

The following rates and charges are made for Local Exchange Service of the Company as identified in Section 4 of this Tariff.

A. Local Exchange Service

All of the WRT exchanges have the same residential rate - \$16.45 and business rate - \$19.45. All exchanges are a local call. The exchanges and prefixes are as follows:

Beulah 701-873, Carson 701-622, Center 701-794, Elgin 701-584, Flasher 701-597, Fort Yates 701-854, Glen Ullin 701-348, Golden Valley 701-983, Goodrich 701-884, Hazen 701-748, Hebron 701-878, McClusky 701-363, McLaughlin 605-823, Mercer 701-447, Mobridge 605-845, New Salem 701-843, North McLaughlin 605-827, Pick City 701-487, St. Anthony 701-445, Selfridge 701-422, Stanton 701-745, Turtle Lake 701-448, Underwood 701-442, Washburn 701-462 and Zap 701-948.

B. EAS charges are St. Anthony ~ \$2.00 and they can call Mandan, New Salem charges are \$4.00 ~ they can call Bismarck & Mandan and Mobridge charges are \$1.00 ~ they can call Glenham & Selby.

MONTHLY LINE CHARGE - is the basic charge which reflects the cost of providing a telephone line to a premise, which includes the touchtone charge. (Premise is a building or portions of a building used and/or occupied by the customer in the conduct of his business or as a residence.)

EXTENDED AREA SERVICE (EAS) - is toll free dialing service furnished at a flat rate between two or more exchanges.

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10.3 SPECIAL RATES AND CHARGES

10.3.1 Lifeline Discounts

The Federal End User charge is waived.

- A. Additional Federal Lifeline Assistance support \$3.50.
- B. Additional Tribal Land Lifeline \$15.45.
- C. Toll blocking can be included for eligible Lifeline consumers without charge. No service deposit would be required if the applicant voluntarily elects toll blocking with the initiation of Lifeline Service.

10.3.2 Tribal Lands Link up

- A. Tribal Land residents are eligible for a 100% reduction, up to \$100.00, off the customary charge for commencing telecommunications service for a single telecommunications connection at a subscriber's principal place of residence providing the eligible telecommunications carrier is receiving high-cost support for that specific Tribal Land.
- B. Support also provides a deferred schedule for payment of the charges assessed for commencing service, for which the subscriber does not pay interest. The interest charges not assessed to the subscriber shall be for connection charges of up to \$200.00 that are deferred for a period not to exceed one year.