



August 27, 2013

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Ms. Illona Jeffcoat-Sacco, Executive Secretary  
North Dakota Public Service Commission  
600 East Boulevard Avenue, Dept. 408  
Bismarck, ND 58505-0602

Re: Filing of tariff pages to be incorporated into North Dakota Local Exchange Services  
Tariff No. 1 of Ionex Communications North, Inc.

Dear Ms. Jeffcoat-Sacco:

On behalf of Ionex Communications North, Inc. ("Ionex"), enclosed are the originals and one copy of supplemental pages to the North Dakota Local Exchange Services Tariff No. 1 of Ionex.

With this filing Ionex will introduce the and grandfather Ernest product and BirchNet Basic Plus. We will also add the definition for the PCD and paper invoice fee.

Ionex has already sent notification by mail to each customer advising of the upcoming transaction with Ernest Communications. Every impacted customer will also receive a bill message.

We request an effective date of September 17, 2013.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this filing, if you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact me at (816) 300-1677.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tara Jackson". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Tara Jackson  
Sr. Manager, Legal and Regulatory

Enclosures

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Revisions to ND Tariff No. 1

**SECTION 1.0 - DEFINITIONS (Continued)**

**Message Waiting Indicator**

Allows a stutter dial tone to be put on a line to alert the Customer that a Voice Mail Message is waiting.

**Monthly Recurring Charges**

Those Monthly Charges to the Customer for Services, facilities or equipment which continue and are billed to the Customer each month for the duration of the Service.

**Multi-frequency ("MF")**

An intermachine pulse-type used for signaling between telephone company switches, or between telephone company switches and PBX/Key Systems.

**Multiple Appearance Directory Numbers**

A Directory Number that is assigned more than once to one or more Proprietary Business Sets.

**Nonrecurring Charge ("NRC")**

The initial charge, usually assessed on a one-time basis, to install equipment and facilities to establish service.

**Numbering Plan Area ("NPA")**

The same as an Area Code.

**Number Portability**

Allows a Customer to retain their current phone number when switching to Ionex Communications North, Inc.'s Service.

**Operator Station**

A call that is completed with the assistance of an Operator and billed to the Calling Party.

**Person-to-Person**

A call for which the person originating the call specifies to the Operator a particular person, department or extension that is to be reached. Person-to-Person Charges only apply when the call is completed to the Requested Party or when the Calling Party agreed to talk to another person.

**Preferred Customer Discount or PCD**

A discount added to the monthly invoice and deducted from the rack rate for grandfathered products and term contract discounts.

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**Presubscription**

An arrangement whereby an End User may select and designate to the Company an Interexchange Carrier (IXC) to access, without an Access Code, for Toll Calls. This IXC is referred to as the End User's Predesignated IXC.

**Recurring Charges**

The Monthly Charges to the Customer for Services, facilities and equipment, which are the agreed upon duration of Service.

**Remote Call Forwarding**

Allows a Customer to have a phone number permanently forwarded to another number.

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**SECTION 14.0 - DESCRIPTION OF LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICES**

**14.10 Miscellaneous Services**

**14.10.1 Miscellaneous Blocking**

**Billed Number Screening-3rd Number/Collect**

Billed Number Screening provides a means for blocking most Collect Calls and/or Third Number Calls from being charged to an account.

**Selective Call Screening**

Selective Call Screening is an arrangement available in connection with Private Branch Exchange-type Services which denies Direct Access to the Toll Network. Calls directed to the Toll Network are diverted to the Attendant.

**Toll Denial**

Toll Denial Service is Central Office Service that restricts Long Distance Calling. Restricted Calls are directed to a Central Office Announcement. Toll Denial is activated when a Dialed Number is preceded by a one or a zero.

**14.10.2 Hunting Line Service**

This Service is used to establish Hunting Arrangements between two or more of a Customer's Local Exchange Service Access Lines.

Applicable Nonrecurring and Monthly Recurring Charge apply as specified in Section 15 and 16 of this tariff.

**14.10.3 Paper Invoice Fee**

All customers that do not receive E-bill (Electronic Invoicing) will receive a paper invoice charge of \$1.95 per invoice. This charge represents the costs for printing, postage, mail handling and management of paper invoices. You may avoid this charge by registering for E-bill online or by contacting customer service.

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