

STATE OF ILLINOIS
ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION

Citizens Telecommunications Company of Illinois)
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Request for Special Permission to Place Into Effect) Docket No. _____
On Less Than 45 Days Notice Tariff Sheets)
Pursuant To Section 9-201(a))
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NOTICE OF FILING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that we have on this 28th day of December 2011, filed with the Illinois Commerce Commission our **Petition for Special Permission**. A copy of the Petition for Special Permission is hereby served upon you.

Dated: December 28, 2011

Respectfully submitted,
Citizens Telecommunications Company of Illinois



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PETITION FOR SPECIAL PERMISSION

Pursuant to Section 9-201(a) of the Illinois Public Utilities Act (“PUA”), 220 ILCS 5/9-201(a), Citizens Telecommunications Company of Illinois, (“Frontier”) hereby requests permission to place into effect on less than 45 days notice certain revised tariff sheets, as listed in attached Exhibit 1. Copies of the revised tariff sheets are included in the attached Exhibit 2 (the “Revised Tariff Sheets”).

The Revised Tariff Sheets are necessary to introduce tariff terms and rates for the identification and rating of VoIP-PSTN traffic. The tariff changes are necessary to comply with recently enacted FCC rules, pursuant to the FCC’s November 18, 2011 Order at WC Docket 10-90 et seq. The tariff rules and rates contained in the Revised Tariff Sheets are to comply with the FCC’s directives regarding the treatment of VoIP traffic, consistent with the FCC’s Order. The FCC’s Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, *In the Matter of Connect America Fund*, WC Docket No. 10-90 et al., FCC 11-161 (released November 18 and effective December 29, 2011), §§ 961-963, specifically permits intrastate tariffs to reflect the new, intrastate access rates for VoIP and to establish a mechanism to distinguish VoIP from traditional POTS traffic. In order to implement the intrastate rates and mechanism for distinguishing VoIP from traditional POTS traffic as

close as possible to the December 29, 2011 interstate effective date, Frontier requests permission to make the Revised Tariff Sheets effective on December 29, 2011 or as soon thereafter as this Petition is approved by the Commission.

In support of this Petition, Frontier states as follows:

1. On November 18, 2011, the FCC released Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, In the Matter of Connect America Fund, WC Docket No. 10-161. The Order provided directives for the treatment of VoIP traffic for purpose of intercarrier compensation. The Order is effective December 29, 2011 and Frontier has, consistent with the Order, filed interstate tariffs to become effective on December 29, 2011.
2. The Revised Tariff Sheets are intended to apply in partnership and congruence with the interstate tariff tariffs to become effective on December 29, 2011.
3. The Revised Tariff Sheets are necessary to effectuate the consistent and congruent application on the FCC's intercarrier compensation directive for VoIP traffic.

WHEREFORE, Frontier respectfully requests the Commission grant Frontier permission to place the Revised Tariff Sheets listed in Exhibit 1 and contained in Exhibit 2, effective immediately upon filing.

Respectfully submitted,

Citizens Telecommunications Company of Illinois

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kevin Saville". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "K" and "S".

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