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Dear Secretary McNulty:

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Enclosed for filing on behalf of Armstrong Telecommunications, Inc. are eight (8) copies of its IXC Tariff - PA P.U.C. Tariff No. 4. Copies have been served in accordance with attached Certificate of Service.

If you have any questions, please contact the undersigned.

Very truly yours,

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INTEREXCHANGE RESELLER SERVICES
WITHIN THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
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ARMSTRONG TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.

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APPLICATION OF TARIFF

This tariff contains the regulations and charges applicable to intrastate interexchange telecommunications resellers services provided by Armstrong Telecommunications, Inc. customers within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

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CONCURRING, CONNECTING OR
OTHER PARTICIPATING CARRIERS AND
BILLING AGENTS

1. Concurring Carriers - None
2. Connecting Carriers - AT&T and/or other certificated interexchange carriers
3. Other Participating Carriers - None
4. Billing Agents - Armstrong Telecommunications, Inc. and/or agent otherwise designated

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EXPLANATION OF SYMBOLS
AND ABBREVIATIONS

A. SYMBOLS

| <u>Rule or Rate</u> | <u>Symbol</u> |
|---------------------|---------------|
| Increase | (I) |
| Decrease | (D) |
| Change | (C) |

B. ABBREVIATIONS

| | | |
|-------|---|---|
| HITDR | - | Highest Interexchange Transporter Daytime Rate |
| HITC | - | Highest Interexchange Transporter Charge or Surcharge |
| ATI | - | Armstrong Telecommunications, Inc. |

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SECTION 1 - DEFINITION OF TERMS

Access Code - A sequence of numbers that, when dialed, connect the caller to the provider of services associated with that sequence.

Authorization Code - A numerical code, one or more of which may be assigned to a Customer, to enable the Company to identify the origin of the service user so that the Company may rate and bill the call. All Authorization Codes shall be the sole property of the Company and no Customer shall have any property or other right or interest in the use of any particular Authorization Code. Automatic Numbering Identification ("ANI") may be used as or in connection with the Authorization Code.

Authorized User - A person or entity which accesses the Company's services. An Authorized User is responsible for compliance with this tariff.

Billed Party - The person or entity responsible for payment for use of the Company's services. For a Direct Dialed Call, the person or entity responsible for payment is the Customer responsible for payment for local telephone service at the telephone used to originate the call. In the case of a calling card call, the person or entity responsible for payment is the holder of the calling card used. In the case of third party call, the person or entity responsible for payment is the person responsible for payment for local telephone service at the telephone number that agrees to accept charges for the call.

Commission - Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission.

Common Carrier - A company or entity providing telecommunications services to the public.

Company - Armstrong Telecommunications, Inc.

Customer - The person, firm, corporation, or other entity which orders or uses service and is responsible for the payment of charges in compliance with tariff regulations.

Customer-Provided Facilities - All communications facilities provided by the Customer and/or Authorized User other than those provided by the Company.

Direct Dialed Call - A telephone call which is automatically completed and billed to the telephone number from which the call originated without the automatic or love assistance of an operator. This includes calls forwarded by call forwarding equipment.

Other Common Carrier - A common carrier, other than the Company, providing domestic or international communications service to the public.

Personal Identification Numbers (PINs) - Code numbers used in connection with designated telephone numbers which allow calls to be categorized for various applications.

Points of Presence - The sites where the Company provides a network interface with facilities provided by Other Common Carriers, Local Exchange Carriers or customers for access to the Company's network.

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SECTION 1 - DEFINITION OF TERMS (Cont'd)

Points of Presence - The sites where the Company provides a network interface with facilities provided by Other Common Carriers, Local Exchange Carriers or customers for access to the Company's network.

Services - Telecommunications services provided to a Customer or Authorized User by the Company.

Telecommunications - The transmission of voice communications or, subject to the transmission capabilities of the Service, the transmission of data, facsimile, signaling, metering or any other form of intelligence.

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SECTION 2 - RULES AND REGULATIONS**A. Description of Service**

Basic Service Offering: The Company offers and provides interexchange long distance service to both business and residential customers through use of switched services. Service is available on a full time basis, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

B. Service Availability

- a) The Company offers service to all those who desire to purchase service from the Company consistent with the provisions of this tariff. Customers or subscribers interested in the Company's services shall file a service application with the Company which fully identifies the customer and identifies the services requested.
- b) Service is offered subject to the Company's ability to technically provide the service requested and subject to the availability of the necessary facilities and/or equipment.

C. Recurring Monthly Charges

- a) Customers may terminate calls at the rates specified in Section 2.G.a. All calls are billed in 30 second increments rounded up to the next higher half minute.
- b) The customer is responsible for payment of all charges for services furnished to the customer. Billing will be payable upon receipt. Interest at a rate not to exceed 1.25% per month on the full unpaid and overdue balance of the bill will be assessed by the Company or its billing agent(s) consistent with Commission regulations at 52 Pa. Code Chapter 64.
- c) Customer, subscriber or end user will be billed and is responsible for payment of applicable local, state and federal taxes assessed in conjunction with the services used.
- d) The Company reserves the right to examine the credit record of all service applicants and require a security deposit when determined to be necessary to assure future payment. Security Deposits required will be equal to not more than 2 months estimated usage as computed by the Company and will in all respects be consistent with Commission regulations at 52 Pa. Code §64.31-64.41.
- e) Customers shall be liable to the Company or all costs of collection.

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SECTION 2 - RULES AND REGULATIONS (Cont'd)

D. Billing Disputes

- a) Billing disputes shall be processed by the Company or its billing agent(s) consistent with Commission regulations at 52 Pa. Code Chapter 64.
- b) Customers unsatisfied with the Company's handling of a dispute may contact the Commission's Bureau of Consumer Services.

E. Cancellation or Termination of Service

- a) The Customer may cancel service upon notice to the Company.
- b) The Company may terminate service to a customer or subscriber for nonpayment of undisputed charges or other violations of this tariff or provision of law upon 10 days written notice to the customer without incurring any liability for damages due to loss of telephone service to the customer.

F. Liability and Interconnections

- a) The Company is not liable for any act or omission of any other entity furnishing a portion of the service or any acts or omissions of the customer.
- b) Service furnished by the Company may be interconnected with the services or facilities or other carriers or private systems. However, service furnished is provided solely by the Company and is not a joint undertaking with other parties.

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SECTION 2 - RULES AND REGULATIONS (Cont'd)

G. Rates

a) Message Telecommunications Service.

**PRICE SCHEDULE
(Station to Station)**

| <u>Rate Mileage</u> | <u>Rates</u> | | |
|---------------------|------------------------|-------|--------------|
| 1-10 | 1 st minute | _____ | up to HITDR* |
| | Add'l minute | _____ | up to HITDR |
| 11-22 | 1 st minute | _____ | up to HITDR |
| | Add'l minute | _____ | up to HITDR |
| 23-30 | 1 st minute | _____ | up to HITDR |
| | Add'l minute | _____ | up to HITDR |
| 31-40 | 1 st minute | _____ | up to HITDR |
| | Add'l minute | _____ | up to HITDR |
| 41-55 | 1 st minute | _____ | up to HITDR |
| | Add'l minute | _____ | up to HITDR |
| 56-70 | 1 st minute | _____ | up to HITDR |
| | Add'l minute | _____ | up to HITDR |
| 71-124 | 1 st minute | _____ | up to HITDR |
| | Add'l minute | _____ | up to HITDR |
| 125-196 | 1 st minute | _____ | up to HITDR |
| | Add'l minute | _____ | up to HITDR |
| 197-292 | 1 st minute | _____ | up to HITDR |
| | Add'l minute | _____ | up to HITDR |
| 293+ | 1 st minute | _____ | up to HITDR |
| | Add'l minute | _____ | up to HITDR |

* Highest Interexchange Transporter Daytime Rate.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this 12th day of December, 2001, served a true and correct copy of the foregoing IXC Tariff - PA P.U.C. Tariff No. 4 on behalf of Armstrong Telecommunications, Inc. upon the persons and in the manner listed below:

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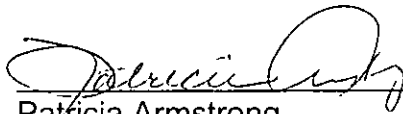
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