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December 29, 1997

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RE: CC Docket No. 96-45: Universal Service  
DA 97-1747: Changes Effective January 1, 1998  
DA 97-1892: Procedures for Lifeline Consents  
Lifeline Support: Compliance with 47 C.F.R. §54.401(d)  
Lifeline Support: Information on Customers and Assistance  
PaPUC Docket No. I-00940035


Dear Mr. Ricker and Ms. Todd:

This letter is being provided to the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) and the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), on behalf of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PaPUC), as directed by the FCC's publications of August 14, 1997 at DA 97-1747 and September 29, 1997 at DA 97-1892. This letter serves to demonstrate that Pennsylvania's telecommunications carriers have PaPUC-approved Lifeline plans that meet the FCC's rules and requirements set forth at 47 C.F.R. §54.401(d).

A list of the PaPUC's Opinions and Orders in support of this letter is provided to the USAC and the FCC as Appendix A to this letter. Appendix A also provides the USAC and the FCC with information on the number of qualifying low-income customers and the amount of state assistance as required by 47 C.F.R. §54.401(d).

A copy of the individual orders is also enclosed. Any questions should be directed to Joseph K. Witmer, Assistant Counsel, at (717) 787-3663, or Gail Wickwire, Bureau of Fixed Utility Services, at (717) 787-2101.

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**Appendix A  
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**Intrastate Rate Reduction Verification Per DA 97-1747 and DA 97-1892  
Lifeline Plan Compliance and Information Required by 47 CFR 54.401(d)**

<u>Telephone Company Name</u>	<u>PA Docket No.</u>	<u>Approved Amount of Reduction to Intrastate Rates</u>	<u>No. of Qualifying Low Income Customers</u>	<u>Monthly Estimated Funding</u>	<u>Annual Estimated Funding</u>
Pennsylvania Telephone Association	P-00971274	\$1.75			
Companies joining in the PTA Petition:					
ALLTEL PA, Inc.			1,294	\$ 2,264.50	\$ 27,174.00
Armstrong Telephone Co. North			9	\$ 15.75	\$ 189.00
Armstrong Telephone Co. - Pa.			29	\$ 50.75	\$ 609.00
Bentleyville Telephone Co.			368	\$ 644.00	\$ 7,728.00
Buffalo Valley Telephone Co.			347	\$ 607.25	\$ 7,287.00
Citizens Tel. Co. of Kecksburg			-0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
Conestoga Telephone Co.			880	\$ 1,540.00	\$ 18,480.00
Denver & Ephrata Tel. & Tel. Co.			943	\$ 1,650.25	\$ 19,803.00
GTE North, Inc.			1,500	\$ 2,625.00	\$ 31,500.00
The Hancock Telephone Co.			3	\$ 5.25	\$ 63.00
Hickory Telephone Co.			146	\$ 255.50	\$ 3,066.00
Ironton Telephone Co.			5	\$ 8.75	\$ 105.00
Lackawaxen Telephone Co.			5	\$ 8.75	\$ 105.00
Laurel Highland Telephone Co.			119	\$ 208.25	\$ 2,499.00
Marianna & Scenery Hill Tel. Co.			49	\$ 85.75	\$ 1,029.00

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Pennsylvania Telephone Association (Cont'd)	P-00971274	\$1.75			
Companies joining in the PTA Petition:					
NEXTLINK PA L.P.			-0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
North-Eastern PA Telephone Co.			550	\$ 962.50	\$ 11,550.00
North Penn Telephone Co.			86	\$ 150.50	\$ 1,806.00
North Pittsburgh Telephone Co.			1,155	\$ 2,021.25	\$ 24,255.00
Palmerton Telephone Co.			5	\$ 8.75	\$ 105.00
Pennsylvania Telephone Co.			12	\$ 21.00	\$ 252.00
Pymatuning Independent Tel. Co.			644	\$ 1,127.00	\$ 13,524.00
South Canaan Telephone Co.			5	\$ 8.75	\$ 105.00
Sprint-United Telephone Co. of PA			6,522	\$11,413.50	\$136,962.00
TDS Telecom/Deposit Tel. Co., Inc.			7	\$ 12.25	\$ 147.00
TDS Telecom/Mahanoy & Mahantango Tel. Co.			46	\$ 80.50	\$ 966.00
TDS Telecom/Sugar Valley Tel. Co.			169	\$ 295.75	\$ 3,549.00
Teleport Communications Group, Inc.			-0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
Venus Telephone Corporation			23	\$ 40.25	\$ 483.00
Yukon-Waltz Telephone Co.			5	\$ 8.75	\$ 105.00
ATX Telecommunications Services	R-00974162	\$3.00	-0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
Citizens Telecom. Co. of New York, Inc.	R-00974205	\$1.75	12	\$ 21.00	\$ 252.00
Commonwealth Telephone Company	R-00974236	\$1.75	4,351	\$ 7,614.25	\$ 91,371.00
Commonwealth Telecom. Services, Inc.	R-00974163	\$1.75	-0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
Frontier Communications of Breezewood	R-00974159	\$1.75	-0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
Frontier Communications of Canton	R-00974160	\$1.75	-0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-

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Frontier Communications of Lakewood	R-00974161	\$1.75	-0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
Frontier Communications of Oswayo River	R-00974158	\$1.75	-0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
Frontier Communications of Pennsylvania, Inc.	R-00974157	\$1.75	-0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
CImetro Access Transmission Services, Inc.	P-00971276	\$3.00	-0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
MFS Intelenet of Pennsylvania	R-00973961	\$1.75	-0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
TCG Delaware Valley, Inc.	R-00974173	\$1.75	-0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
TCG Pittsburgh, Inc.	R-00974164	\$1.75	-0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
WinStar Wireless of Pennsylvania, Inc.	P-00971275	\$1.75	-0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-