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James J. McNulty, Secretary
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
Commonwealth Keystone Building
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**Re: 2006 Annual Price Stability Index/Service Price Index Filing of
Conestoga Telephone and Telegraph Company
Docket Nos. P-00981429F1000 and R-00061376**

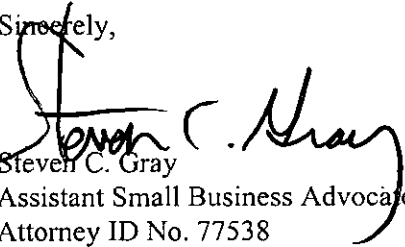
Dear Secretary McNulty:

I am delivering for filing today the original plus three copies of the Notice of Intervention, Public Statement, and Notice of Appearance of the Office of Small Business Advocate in the above captioned matter.

Two copies have been served today on all known parties in this proceeding. A Certificate of Service to that effect is enclosed.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,


Steven C. Gray
Assistant Small Business Advocate
Attorney ID No. 77538

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Enclosures

cc: Hon. Veronica Smith
Chief Administrative Law Judge

Parties of Record

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**BEFORE THE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

2006 Annual Price Stability Index/Service Price : Docket No. P-00981429F1000
Index Filing of Conestoga Telephone & Telegraph : Docket No. R-00061376
Company :

**NOTICE OF INTERVENTION
OF THE OFFICE OF SMALL BUSINESS ADVOCATE**

The Office of Small Business Advocate ("OSBA") files this Notice of Intervention with respect to the 2006 Annual Price Stability Index/Service Price Index Filing of Conestoga Telephone & Telegraph Company. In support of this Notice of Intervention, the OSBA avers as follows:

1. The OSBA is an agency of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania authorized by the Small Business Advocate Act (Act 181 of 1988, 73 P.S. §§ 399.41 - 399.50) to represent the interest of small business consumers as a party in proceedings before the Commission.
2. Representing the OSBA in this proceeding is:

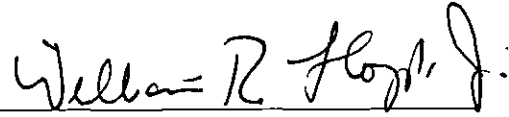
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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "William R. Lloyd, Jr." with a horizontal line underneath.

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Date: November 20, 2006

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**PUBLIC STATEMENT OF
SMALL BUSINESS ADVOCATE
CONCERNING THE INTEREST
OF SMALL BUSINESS CONSUMERS
TO BE PROTECTED BY THE FILING OF
A NOTICE OF INTERVENTION
IN THE 2006 ANNUAL PRICE STABILITY INDEX PRICE CHANGE
SERVICE PRICE INDEX FILING OF
CONESTOGA TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY
DOCKET NOS. P-00981429F1000 AND R-00061376**

The Small Business Advocate is authorized and directed to represent the interests of small business consumers of utility services in Pennsylvania under the provisions of the Small Business Advocate Act, Act 181 of 1988, 73 P.S. §§ 399.41 – 399.50 (“the Act”). The Act further provides that the Small Business Advocate issue publicly a *written statement stating concisely the specific interest of small business consumers to be protected by the initiation of or intervention in any proceeding involving those interests before the Public Utility Commission (“Commission”) or any other agency or court.* This public statement relates to the filing today by the Small Business Advocate of a Notice of Intervention in the 2006 Annual Price Stability Index/Service Price Index Filing (“PSI Filing”) of Conestoga Telephone and Telegraph Company (“Conestoga”).

The Small Business Advocate has filed a Notice of Intervention in the PSI Filing *to protect the interests of Conestoga’s small business customers.* A thorough inquiry by the Commission into all elements of the PSI Filing must be conducted to ensure that the resulting rates are lawful, just, reasonable, and nondiscriminatory.

The Small Business Advocate will participate in proceedings before the Commission to investigate the reasonableness of the PSI Filing. The Small Business Advocate will ask the Commission to deny any proposed rate increase or other changes in Conestoga’s present tariffs that apply to small business customers that are not proven to

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be lawful, just, reasonable and non-discriminatory to all of its customer classes, and to order corresponding refunds.

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2006 Annual Price Stability Index/Service Price : Docket Nos. P-00981429F1000,
Index Filing of Conestoga Telephone : R-00061376
And Telegraph Company :

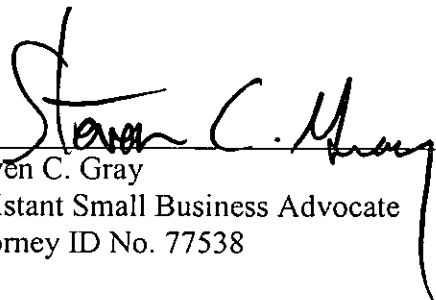
NOTICE OF APPEARANCE

The Office of Small Business Advocate, pursuant to 52 Pa. Code § 1.24, hereby enters the appearance of Steven C. Gray, in the above-captioned proceedings.

Documents in this proceeding should now be served on the following:

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I am serving two copies each of the Notice of Intervention, Public Statement, and Notice of Appearance, on behalf of the Office of Small Business Advocate, by e-mail and first class mail (unless otherwise noted) upon the persons addressed below:

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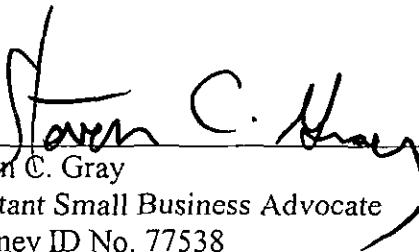
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