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RESPONDENT/APPLICANT: COMMONWEALTH TELEPHONE CO.

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5/3/05 - COMMONWEALTH TELEPHONE COMPANY FILED ITS ADVANCE NOTICE OF TARIFF RATE CHANGES WHICH WILL INCREASE ANNUALIZED REVENUE OF APPROXIMATELY \$3.2 MILLION OR 2.2% OF NON-COMPETITIVE SERVICE REVENUES; REDUCE THE NUMBER OF LOCAL SERVICE (DIAL TONE) RATE GROUPS TO SIX, AND INCREASE THE CHARGE FOR A NON-PUBLISHED NUMBER. THESE TARIFF CHANGES ARE BEING FILED PURSUANT TO ITS ALTERNATIVE REGULATION AND NETWORK MODERNIZATION PLAN.....

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 5/18/05-COMMONWEALTH TELEPHONE COMPANY FILED SUPPLEMENT NUMBER 94 TO TELEPHONE TARIFF PA PUC NUMBER 24 AND SUPPLEMENT NUMBER 87 TO TELEPHONE TARIFF PAPUC NUMBER 23 PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ITS ALTERNATIVE REGULATION AND NETWORK MODERNIZATION PLAN.

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Re: Advance Notice -- Rate Change -- Commonwealth Telephone Company

Dear Secretary McNulty:

Pursuant to the provisions of its Alternative Regulation and Network Modernization Plan, approved by the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission at Docket No. P-00961024, Commonwealth Telephone Company (CTCo) respectfully informs the Commission that it will submit the following tariff changes on May 18, 2005:

- An increase in annualized revenue of approximately \$3.2 million or 2.2% of non-competitive service revenues;
- A reduction in the number of local service (dial tone) rate groups to six; and
- An increase in the charge for a non-published number.

The proposed changes are a result of CTCo's price cap form of regulation and the price cap formula. CTCo will also demonstrate in this filing that its banked decreases shall be retired before the proposed rate increases take effect, and that its Service Price Index remains compliant with CTCo's alternative regulation plan.

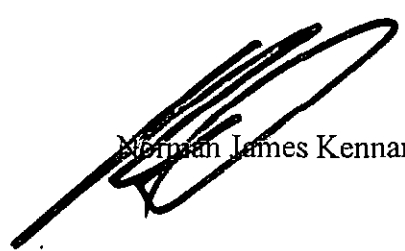
The "120 day" procedure from the Company's Chapter 30 Plan will apply, as rates are proposed to become effective on September 1, 2005 CTCo Chapter 30 Plan at Part 3.A.8 and 9 (pages 27-28).

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James J. McNulty, Secretary
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
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Please feel free to contact me at with any questions regarding this advance notice.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Norman James Kennard". The signature is stylized with several overlapping loops and a long horizontal stroke extending to the left.

Norman James Kennard

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cc: Per attached Certificate of Service

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Re: Supplement No. 94 --Commonwealth Telephone Company Tariff PA PUC No. 24
Supplement No. 87 --Commonwealth Telephone Company Tariff PA PUC No. 23

Dear Secretary McNulty:

Pursuant to the provisions of its Alternative Regulation and Network Modernization Plan approved by the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission at Docket No. P-00961024, and consistent with the rules and regulations contained in Title 52 (Pennsylvania Code), Commonwealth Telephone Company (CTCo) respectfully submits the above-referenced tariff supplements seeking Commission approval to make the following changes effective on 105 days' notice:

- An increase in annualized revenue of approximately \$3.2 million or 2.2% of non-competitive service revenue;
- A reduction in the number of local service (dial tone) rate groups to six;
- An increase in the charge for a non-published number.

The proposed changes are a result of CTCo's price cap form of regulation and the price cap formula. CTCo is also demonstrating in this filing that its banked decreases shall be retired before the proposed increases take effect, and its Service Price Index remains compliant with CTCo's alternative regulation plan. Supporting Exhibits 1, 1A, 2 and 3 are marked proprietary.

CTCo respectfully requests both supplements be approved to become effective September 1, 2005.

Please contact me at (570) 631-5366 with any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

Michael P. Sharry
Director Regulatory and
Public Affairs and Statutory Agent
for Commonwealth Telephone Company

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EXECUTIVE OVERVIEW

COMMONWEALTH TELEPHONE COMPANY

Supplement No. 94 - PA PUC No. 24
Supplement No. 87 - PA PUC No. 23

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SUBSTANCE

Commonwealth Telephone Company (CTCo) is proposing a rate change as a result of its Price Stability Index/Service Price Index filing submitted to the PUC by CTCo on February 1, 2005.

COMMENTS

In order to maintain the indexes at PUC-authorized levels, a rate modification is indicated. CTCo respectfully requests approval of the following proposed tariff changes:

Adjustment of Basic Local Service Rates --- This filing proposes a consolidation of CTCo's 12 existing local dial tone rate groups into six;

Non-published Number Charge --- This filing proposes a \$0.75 increase in the non-published number charge from \$1.50 to \$2.25 per month.

CTCo's approved Chapter 30 Plan requires that the PUC review the PSI/SPI filing, any accompanying tariff changes, and that any previously banked amounts are retired before any rate increases are implemented. This filing ensures that CTCo's Chapter 30 plan methodology has been properly followed; the result produces an annualized rate increase of approximately \$3.2 million, and demonstrates that the bank shall be fully retired prior to the implementation of the proposed rate change.

It is respectfully requested that the proposed tariff supplements be approved by the PA PUC to become effective September 1, 2005.

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Supplement No. 94 - PA PUC No. 24

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1. The specific reasons for each change.

Commonwealth Telephone Company (CTCo) is proposing the following tariff change as a result of its Price Stability Index/Service Price (PSI/SPI) Index filing submitted to the PUC by CTCo on February 1, 2005.

In order to maintain the indexes at PUC-authorized levels, a rate modification is indicated; (Exhibit 1 contains CTCo's current and proposed SPI; Exhibit 1A shows CTCo's Deferred Change Index as of September 1, 2005).

CTCo respectfully requests approval of the following proposed tariff change:

Adjustment of Basic Local Service Rates --- This filing proposes a consolidation of CTCo's 12 existing local dial tone rate groups into six;

Non-published Number Charge --- This filing proposes a \$0.75 increase in the non-published number charge from \$1.50 to \$2.25 per month.

2. The total number of customers served by the utility.

CTCo serves 202,424 customers.

3. A calculation of the total customers, by tariff subdivision, whose bills would be affected by the change.

Residential and business dial-tone line and PBX trunks are affected by the rate change proposed in this filing and equate to 261,659 units in service.

4. The effect of the change on the utility's customers.

Please refer to Exhibit 2, which details the affect of the rate change by type of service rendered and applicable dial tone rate group based on the demand units for each type of service.

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5. The effect, whether direct or indirect, of the proposed change on the utility's revenue and expenses.

Implementation of the proposed changes will keep CTCo's price indexes consistent with the provisions contained in the Company's Chapter 30 Plan, approved by the PUC at Docket No. P-00961024. In this case, an annualized revenue increase of approximately \$ 3.2 million is proposed in this filing.

6. The effect of the change on the service rendered by the utility.

Approval of this tariff supplement will have no adverse impact on the service provided by CTCo.

7. A list of factors considered by the utility in making this change.

CTCo's approved Chapter 30 Plan requires that the PUC review the PSI/SPI filing, and any accompanying tariff changes. The filing of Supplement Nos. 94 and 87 ensure that this methodology is properly followed. Furthermore, the banking report provided and marked as Exhibit 3 demonstrates that CTCo's previously banked amounts shall be fully retired prior to this revenue increase being implemented on September 1, 2005.

8. Studies undertaken to draft the proposed change.

CTCo's PSI/SPI filing supports the proposed tariff change contained in this filing.

9. Customer polls taken which indicate customer acceptance of the proposed change.

No polls were taken or are required to propose these changes.

10. Plans the utility has for introducing or implementing the service.

Communication of the proposed tariff changes is provided to customers via billing notices, with the proposed change becoming effective September 1, 2005.

11. FCC, FERC, or Commission orders or rulings applicable to the filing.

Commonwealth Telephone Company's PA PUC-approved Chapter 30 Plan, (Docket Number P-00961024), contains the parameters regarding the methodology involved in this filing.

COMMONWEALTH TELEPHONE COMPANY

COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION - GUIDELINES FOR TARIFF FILINGS

Supplement No. 94 - PA PUC No. 24

Supplement No. 87 - PA PUC No. 23

1. What is being proposed?

Commonwealth Telephone Company (CTCo) is proposing tariff changes as a result of its Price Stability Index/Service Price Index filing submitted to the PUC by CTCo on February 1, 2005.

In order to maintain the indexes at PUC-authorized levels, a rate modification is indicated. CTCo respectfully requests approval of the following proposed tariff change:

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2. Why is it proposed?

CTCo shall implement the proposed tariff change to remain in compliance with its approved Chapter 30 Plan, approved by the PA PUC at Docket No. P-00961024.

3. Why is it proposed at this time?

CTCo's implementation at this time is intended to closely coincide with the retirement of banked rate decrease amounts consistent with its Chapter 30 plan provisions, as approved by the PA PUC at Docket No. P-00961024.

4. Why is it proposed this way?

Please see response to Question Number 1.

5. What are the estimated customer acceptance levels in the first year and following years, revenues, expenses, contributions, and effect on other products and services?

Residential and business dial tone line customers and business PBX customers are affected by the rate change proposed in this filing, which produces annualized revenue of approximately \$3.2 million.

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COMMONWEALTH TELEPHONE COMPANY

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6. What is the cost/benefit support for the changed tariff rates?

CTCo's current PSI/SPI provides the support for the proposed tariff changes contained in this filing. In addition, Exhibit 2 details the calculations that result in the proposed monthly rate changes.

7. *How will the change be introduced and the program implemented?*

Notice of the proposed tariff change will be provided to customers via billing inserts, with the proposed changes becoming effective September 1, 2005.

EXHIBITS 1, 1A, 2 and 3 are marked

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SUPPLEMENT NO. 94
TO
TARIFF TELEPHONE – PA P.U.C. NO. 24
COMMONWEALTH TELEPHONE COMPANY

RATES AND RULES
GOVERNING THE FURNISHING OF TELEPHONE SERVICE
IN
EXCHANGE AREAS OF ALL OF WYOMING COUNTY, AND PORTIONS
OF BERKS, BRADFORD, BUCKS, CARBON, CHESTER, COLUMBIA,
DAUPHIN, LACKAWANNA, LANCASTER, LEHIGH, LUZERNE,
LYCOMING, MONROE, NORTHAMPTON, SCHUYLKILL, SULLIVAN,
SUSQUEHANNA, TIOGA, AND YORK COUNTIES
IN THE STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA
AND AS SHOWN ON SHEETS 6 THROUGH 12
CONTAINED IN TELEPHONE – PA PUC NO. 23
AND AS SHOWN ON MAPS CONTAINED HEREIN

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REGULATORY AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS
COMMONWEALTH TELEPHONE COMPANY
DALLAS, PENNSYLVANIA

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COMMONWEALTH TELEPHONE COMPANY
SUPPLEMENT NO. 94 – PA P.U.C NO. 24

LIST OF MODIFICATIONS

CHANGES
INCREASES -- Consolidation of Rate Groups 1-12 into 1-6
DECREASES

Section 1 – Thirtyfourth Revised Sheet 3
Thirtyeighth Revised Sheet 4
Sixteenth Revised Sheet 4A

Commonwealth Telephone Company

Section 1
 Thirty Fourth Revised Sheet 3
 Canceling Thirty Third Revised Sheet 3

LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE
 (continued)

CLASS OF SERVICE	RATE GROUPS			
	1	2	3	4
<u>Business</u>				
PBX Trunk	\$19.99(I)	\$20.99(I)	\$23.99(I) (D)	\$27.99(I)
One-Party	14.25(I)	14.75(I)	16.25(I) (D)	18.50(I)
<u>Residence</u>				
One-Party	11.50(I)	11.75(I)	12.00(I)	12.25(I)
each add'l	8.25(I)	8.50(I)	8.75(I)	9.00(I)
<u>Local Calling Area</u>				
Minimum	0	10,801	20,001	60,001
to		to	to	to
Maximum	10,800	20,000	60,000	100,000
	Benton	Atglen	Conyngham-	Bangor
	Brooklyn	Blossburg	Drums	Belvidere
	Dushore	Covington	New Albany	Ferndale
	Eagles Mere	Elizabeth-	Noxen	Muhlen-
	Estella	ville	Nuremberg	burg
	Gratz	Huntington	Orangeville	Nuangola
	Hallstead	Mills	Rome	Pen Argyl
	Laporte	Laceyville	Towanda	Pocono
	Lawrenceville	LeRaysville	Tremont	Lake
	Lawsville	Lykens	Troy	Portland
	Liberty	Mansfield	Ulster	Saylors-
	Muncy Valley	Mehoopany	Wapwallopen	burg
	Ringtown	Middlebury		Shick-
	Rush	Center		shinny
	St. Joseph	Millersburg		
	Susquehanna	Montrose		
	Valley View	Morris		
	Warren Center	Nicholson		
		Springville		
		Tioga		
		Tower City		
		Tunkhannock		
		Uhlerstown		
		Wellsboro		
		Wyalusing		

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Commonwealth Telephone Company

Section 1

Thirty Eighth Revised Sheet 4
 Canceling Thirty Seventh Revised Sheet 4

LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE
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CLASS OF SERVICE	RATE GROUPS	
	5	6
<u>Business</u>		
PBX Trunk	\$30.99 (I) (D)	\$35.99 (I)
One-Party	19.50 (I) (D)	21.75 (I) (D)
<u>Residence</u>		
One-Party	12.75 (I)	13.25 (I)
each add'l	9.50 (I)	10.00 (I)
<u>Local Calling Area</u>		
Minimum	100,001	180,001
	to	to
Maximum	180,000	260,000

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Center- Coopersburg
 Moreland Harding
 Clarks Summit Lewisberry
 Dallas
 Dalton
 Factoryville
 Gap
 Harveys Lake
 Hensel
 Kirkwood
 Lake Winola
 Leesport
 Quarryville
 Rawlinsville
 Sweet Valley
 Trucksville

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Section 1
Sixteenth Revised Sheet 4A
Canceling Fifteenth Revised Sheet 4A

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SUPPLEMENT NO. 87
TO
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COMMONWEALTH TELEPHONE COMPANY

RATES AND RULES
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AND AS SHOWN ON SHEETS 6 THROUGH 12
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NOTICE

THIS TARIFF MAKES (INCREASES) IN RATES

SEE SHEET 2

COMMONWEALTH TELEPHONE COMPANY
SUPPLEMENT NO. 87 – PA P.U.C NO. 23

LIST OF MODIFICATIONS

INCREASE	Increase to non-published number rate
	Section 1 - Fifth Revised Sheet 9 Canceling Fourth Revised Sheet 9

Commonwealth Telephone Company

Section 1
Fifth Revised Sheet 9
Canceling Fourth Revised Sheet 9GENERAL REGULATIONS
(continued)P. TELEPHONE NUMBERS

The Telephone Company reserves the right to change the telephone number or numbers of a customer's service or the central office designation thereof as the exigencies of the business may require.

The charge for a customer requested number change is contained in Section 3. Charges for Customized Telephone Numbers may be found in Section 5.

Q. NON-PUBLISHED NUMBERS

A telephone number is nonpublished when, at the customer's request, it is omitted from the directory and the information lists of the Telephone Company. The nonpublished telephone number must be known by the calling party for completion of the call to a customer who has nonpublishing telephone service and is not available through the information sources of the Telephone Company.

A nonpublished telephone number is provided at the rate of \$2.25 each per month. In addition, the customer is required to sign a written statement releasing the Telephone Company for all liability for losses resulting from such an arrangement. (I)

At the customer's request, a nonpublished telephone number can be made available through the directory assistance information source of the Telephone Company. A nonpublished but directory listed number is provided at the rate of \$2.25 per month. (I)

Upon request, a nonpublished telephone number can be made available to pay telephone line service customers.

A non-recurring charge will apply for each change of telephone number required to establish a nonpublished number. NRC's are filed in Section 3.

R. TELEPHONE DIRECTORIES

Telephone directories issued by the Telephone Company to its customers and patrons without charge are the property of the Telephone Company and shall be surrendered to the Telephone Company upon termination of service or distribution of a subsequent issue, in as good condition as reasonably wear and tear permits. No binder, holder or auxiliary cover, except where furnished by the Telephone Company, may be used in connection with any directory furnished by it.

The Telephone Company, except as provided herein, shall not be liable for damage claimed on account of errors in, or omissions from, its directories, nor for the result of publication of such errors in the directory, nor will the Telephone Company be a party to controversies arising between customers or others as the result of listings published in its directories.

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I hereby certify that I have this day served a copy of Commonwealth Telephone Company's Supplement No. 94 to Tariff - Telephone PA PUC No. 24 and No. 87 to Tariff - Telephone PA PUC No. 23 filing upon the persons and in the manner indicated below.

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**Commonwealth Telephone Company Supplement
Number 94 to Tariff Telephone PA PUC Number 24; and
Supplement Number 87 to Tariff Telephone PA PUC
Number 23**

We attach hereto Supplement Number 94 and Number 87 to Tariff Telephone PA PUC Numbers 24 and 23, pursuant to the provisions of Commonwealth's Alternative Regulation and Network Modernization Plan, which has been captioned and docketed to the above "R" number.

This matter is assigned to your Bureau for appropriate action.

Attachments

cc: Law Bureau
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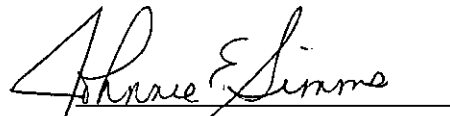
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v. : P-00961024
Commonwealth Telephone Company :

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I hereby certify that I am serving the foregoing **Notice of Appearance**,
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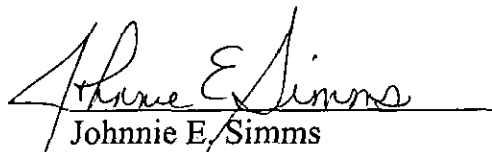
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Supplement No. 94 to Tariff Telephone PA. PUC No. 24	R-00050551
Supplement No. 87 to Tariff Telephone PA PUC No. 23	
Petition for Amended Alternative Regulation and Network Modernization Plan of Commonwealth Telephone Company	P-00961024F1000
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Delegation of Certain Routine, Ministerial and Nonpolicymaking Public Meeting Agenda Items	M-00970915

MOTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN JAMES H. CAWLEY

Before us for disposition is the Staff recommendation for the issuance of the Secretarial Letter that addresses the Commonwealth Telephone Company's ("Commonwealth's" or "Company's") annual 2005 Price Stability Index and Service Price Index (PSI/SPI) filing, and the associated revenue and rate increase. Commonwealth's annual 2005 PSI/SPI filing was made under the provisions of the new Chapter 30 law, Act 183 of 2004, 66 Pa. C.S. §§ 3011-3019, and pursuant to the Company's Amended Network Modernization Plan (NMP) that this Commission approved at Docket No. P-00961024F1000.¹

Commonwealth possesses the statutory right under 66 Pa. C.S. § 3015(a)(1)(iii) and its approved Amended NMP to seek and obtain an automatic revenue and rate increase as contemplated by the new Chapter 30 law. To this extent, I concur with the recommended disposition that grants an overall revenue and rate increase to the Company. However, I believe that the procedural disposition of this matter is not appropriate, and the recommended substantive disposition is not fully compatible with the Company's Amended NMP that has been previously adopted by the Commission.

¹ *Petition for Amended Alternative Regulation and Network Modernization Plan of Commonwealth Telephone Company*, Docket No. P-00961024F1000, Order entered March 3, 2005.

A. Procedural Disposition

I fundamentally disagree with the procedural disposition of Chapter 30 annual PSI/SPI filings by incumbent local exchange carriers (ILECs) through the issuance of Secretarial Letters by this Commission. I believe that the disposition of pending Chapter 30 ILEC PSI/SPI filings should be accomplished through voting at a Public Meeting on a properly prepared and circulated Staff Report and a recommended Order. My reasons for this disagreement are the following:

1. The new Chapter 30 law virtually provides *automatic* revenue and rate *increases* for those ILECs with price stability mechanism (PSM) plans and price cap formulas, where the statutorily mandated inflation offset values have been reduced to 0% or 0.5% depending on the Amended NMP option that these ILECs have selected. The *past* practice of issuing Secretarial Letters for annual Chapter 30 ILEC PSI/SPI filings largely addressed revenue and rate *decreases* that were caused by the higher values of the inflation offsets established by the Commission in the respective ILEC PSM and price cap formulas.
2. Automatic revenue and rate increases under the new Chapter 30 law annual ILEC PSI/SPI filings have concrete revenue and rate impacts on end-user consumers. The Commission should disclose these effects in a transparent and adequately documented fashion. The issuance of Secretarial Letters does not accomplish these purposes. Since these filings impact end-user consumers in a substantial fashion, the Commission should publicly deliberate and rule on these filings.
3. Although these filings may be uncontested, the allocation of the related revenue increases among the ILECs' categories of services may and will present issues that need to be decided by this Commission in a public fashion and not through the issuance of Secretarial Letters.
4. The new Chapter 30 law annual ILEC PSI/SPI filings will not be separated from other proceedings that are pending before this Commission or the Federal Communications Commission, e.g., intercarrier compensation, intrastate and interstate access charge reform, intrastate and interstate universal service fund (USF) support, etc.² The interaction of such policy issues with the ILECs' PSI/SPI filings cannot be properly decided in the context of Secretarial Letters.
5. The disposition of the new Chapter 30 law ILEC PSI/SPI filings will involve issues that link the ILECs' non-competitive services with the services that have been classified as competitive under 66 Pa. C.S. § 3016(b), and ILEC "service bundles" that consist of protected, non-competitive, and competitive services that are offered and flexibly priced under 66 Pa. C.S. § 3016(e). Such issues cannot be properly resolved through the issuance of Secretarial Letters.

² See generally *Investigation Regarding Intrastate Access Charges and IntraLATA Toll Rates of Rural Carriers, and the Pennsylvania Universal Service Fund*, Order adopted August 11, 2005; *In re Developing a Unified Intercarrier Compensation Regime*, (FCC Rel.: March 3, 2005), CC Docket No. 01-92, *Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking*, FCC 05-33.

The issuance of Secretarial Letters for the disposition of matters pending before the Commission is inextricably linked with the authority delegation that this Commission has provided to its Staff Bureaus and Offices to dispose of such matters. My review of this Commission's delegation of authority to its Staff Bureau and Office Directors discloses that the substantial revenue and rate increases that are being implemented through the new Chapter 30 law annual ILEC PSI/SPI filings should be handled through Public Meetings and the issuance of Commission Orders rather than through the issuance of Secretarial Letters.

The original intent of the Commission's delegation of authority to its Staff Bureau and Office Directors was the reduction of the Public Meeting agenda. The Staff Bureaus and Offices would deal with certain ministerial items not requiring the formal vote of the Commission.³ Subsequent actions of the Commission delegating additional authority to the Staff Bureau and Office Directors specifically focused on routine matters or actions that would not have had negative rate effects on end-user consumers of public utility services within the Commonwealth, or constituted uncontested compliance filings in matters previously approved by the Commission after *full evidentiary* adjudications. For example, the related Commission action on July 9, 1998 permitted the Bureau of Fixed Utility Services to dispose of matters pertaining to:

2. Uncontested compliance tariff filings made in response to § 1308(d) general rate increases approved by the Commission.

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4. Uncontested local exchange telephone company extended area service filings which have *no rate effect* for the company's intrastate regulated services and *no rate effect* for the end-users of the company's intrastate regulated services.
5. Uncontested local exchange telephone company extended area service filings resulting in rate changes for the company's end-user customers *into preexisting rate structure elements and or bands*, and where the total overall revenue effect is either *neutral* or *decreases* the company's intrastate regulated operations [revenues].
6. Uncontested additions of routes to preexisting and preapproved optional calling plans which have *no or de minimis rate and revenue effects*.

Delegation of Additional Routine, Ministerial and Nonpolicymaking Public Meeting Agenda Items, action adopted July 9, 1998, 28 Pa.B. 3566 (July 25, 1998), Bureau Agenda Item No. JUN-98-L-53 (emphasis added).

I do not agree with the assessment that the new Chapter 30 law annual ILEC PSI/SPI filings somehow constitute "compliance filings" and are encompassed within "pre-existing" authority delegation parameters which may have not been established in the first place. The ILECs' PSI/SPI filings cannot be "compliance filings" since their compatibility with the ILECs'

³ *Delegation of Certain Routine, Ministerial and Nonpolicymaking Public Meeting Agenda Items*, Docket No. M-00970915, action adopted March 13, 1997, 27 Pa.B. 2220 (May 3, 1997), Bureau Agenda No. JAN-97-L-5*.

respective new Chapter 30 law Amended NMPs must be adjudicated anew by this Commission each time these filings are made. Furthermore, the Commission still has the statutory mandate, authority, and responsibility under 66 Pa. C.S. § 3019(h) to adjudicate whether the proposed rate changes are just and reasonable and non-discriminatory respectively under Sections 1301 and 1304 of the Public Utility Code, 66 Pa. C.S. §§ 1301 and 1304. This mandate and responsibility is not compatible with the nature of “ministerial acts” that this Commission can easily delegate to one of its Staff Bureaus or Offices.

A “compliance filing” also presupposes a previous evidentiary adjudication of a matter before the Commission that has specified the basic parameters of the “compliance filing.” Naturally, such an adjudication cannot take place in advance for the new Chapter 30 law annual ILEC PSI/SPI filings since neither the changes in the annual GDP-PI index are known in advance, nor have the ILECs themselves decided on how to implement their respective proposed revenue and rate increases until they make these filings with the Commission, i.e., what services will absorb these proposed revenue and rate increases. Thus, these matters are not of a “routine ministerial” nature that can be disposed of through delegation of authority to a Staff Bureau or Office and the issuance of summary Secretarial Letters.

The Commission conducts full evidentiary adjudications and decides via Public Meeting votes on the rate increase requests by water and wastewater utilities amounting to a few thousand dollars. The new Chapter 30 law ILEC requests for multimillion dollar revenue and rate increases should be processed with the same degree of transparency.

B. Substantive Compliance

The new Chapter 30 law annual ILEC PSI/SPI submissions must conform to their corresponding Commission-approved Amended NMPs. The instant Commonwealth PSI/SPI filing contains the disposition of past PSM accumulated revenue *decreases* that have been “banked” by the Company. These “banked” decreases were respectively accrued in 2003 and 2004. According to the Company’s Exhibit 3, the substantial “banked” revenue decrease for 2003 has not accrued any interest in 2004 and for the first few months of 2005. Similarly, the “banked” revenue decrease for 2004 has not accrued any interest for the same few months in 2005.

Commonwealth’s 2003 and 2004 “banked” revenue decreases were carried forward and are being retired through the present PSI/SPI filing. The retirement of these “banked” decreases is carried out in the Company’s present PSI/SPI filing purportedly in compliance with a related Settlement that this Commission approved at Docket No. P-00032020 *et al.*⁴

The Company’s Amended NMP specifies the following when the “Banked Principle” is a “negative number,” i.e., when we are dealing with “banked” revenue decreases:

In subsequent years, the interest will accrue to the entire principle carried over from the prior year beginning on the first day of the PSI Period.

⁴ *Petition of Commonwealth Telephone Company For Recognition of an Exogenous Event Under Its Alternative Regulation Plan, et al.*, Docket Nos. P-00032020, P-00961024F0002, P-00961024, R-00027695, Order entered July 21, 2003.

This non-accrual of interest in 2004 and 2005 for the “banked” revenue decrease of 2003, and the non-accrual of interest in 2005 for the 2004 “banked” revenue decrease appear to be incompatible with the relevant provision of the Company’s Amended NMP. The practical effect of this interest non-accrual is that Commonwealth’s end-user ratepayers are faced with a “banked” revenue and rate *increase* liability of \$98,723 in 2006. If the appropriate interest had accrued to the 2003 and 2004 “banked” revenue decreases in accordance with the Amended NMP, this new “banked” revenue increase liability should have been considerably smaller.

The present Commonwealth PSI/SPI submission does not simply implement a PSM revenue and rate increase but it does so through the *restructuring* of basic local exchange service rates. The Company in its current filing is consolidating its twelve (12) basic local exchange service dial-tone line groups to six (6). According to the Company’s Amended NMP, in the event that the Company proceeds with a “rate rebalancing and restructuring” the “Company shall provide cost studies of each service for which a rate change is proposed at the time of the filing where such rate change is proposed.” Commonwealth Telephone Company, Amended NMP, Part B.3, Redlined Version, at 34. Although the proposed rate increases may be compatible with other provisions of the Company’s Amended NMP relating to rate increase limitations (Amended NMP, Part B.1(a)), the submission of the cost studies as specified in the Amended NMP has not been made.

The Company is proposing a 50% rate increase in the rate element for non-published directory numbers of residential and business customers from \$1.50 per month to \$2.25 per month. I have serious concerns that have not been addressed in the summary processing of this rate proposal. The use of non-published directory numbers is often linked with such issues as the protection of personal privacy, domestic abuse situations, public safety agency interests and operations, etc. Under the new Chapter 30 law, the Commission retains jurisdiction over “quality of service standards” that address the “privacy of telecommunications services.” 66 Pa. C.S. § 3019(b)(2). In my opinion, there has not been an adequate analysis and review or a specific finding on whether a 50% proposed rate increase for non-published directory numbers is in the public interest and whether it will negatively affect the ability of those Commonwealth residential and business customers to protect their privacy for legitimate reasons. Furthermore, since the Company did not submit any cost studies with its filing, I cannot ascertain whether this particular rate element – which is usually priced above cost by ILECs in the first place – will now be providing a higher residual profit to the Company’s operations at its new monthly level. I believe that this proposed increase for the non-published directory numbers is not adequately supported and is contrary to the above-referenced public interest considerations.

Therefore, I move:

1. That the new Chapter 30 law annual ILEC PSI/SPI filings with revenue and rate increases that are made under the provisions of 66 Pa. C.S. § 3015, be presented to the Commission through Staff Reports and recommended Orders for disposition within the Commission’s Public Meeting Agendas.

2. That the proposed revenue and rate increase proposed by Commonwealth Telephone Company through the consolidation of its twelve (12) basic local exchange service dial-tone line groups to six (6) be permitted to go into effect as filed.

3. That the Company should compute the respective and appropriate accrued interest amounts for 2004 and 2005 on the 2003 and 2004 "banked" revenue decreases, reduce the associated moving forward potential revenue increase amount of \$98,723 that is being "banked," and submit an appropriately revised Exhibit 3 of its 2005 PSI/SPI filing to the Commission within thirty (30) days of the entry date of the Commission's Order disposing of this pending matter.

4. That the Company's failure to file any cost studies associated with its rate rebalancing and restructuring proposals is not in compliance with its Amended NMP.

5. That the Company's 2005 PSI/PSM filing is in partial compliance with its Commission-approved Amended NMP.

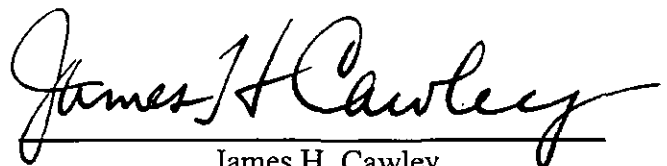
6. That the Company be given the alternative to either "bank" the proposed revenue increase associated with the non-published directory numbers or, alternatively, allocate the proposed revenue increase amount associated with the non-published directory numbers to the basic local exchange services and rate elements that are the subject of Moving Paragraph No. 2 in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Company's Amended NMP, and that the Company provide the appropriate notification to the Commission within ten (10) days after the date of entry of the Commission's Order disposing of this matter. In the event that the Company does not accept either alternative, the proposed revenue and rate increase for non-published directory numbers will be suspended and investigated for a period not to exceed six (6) months on whether it is just and reasonable under 66 Pa. C.S. § 1301, whether it negatively impacts the privacy protection interests of the Company's end-users, and whether it complies with the Company's Commission-approved Amended NMP.

7. That the Company file the appropriate modified Tariff Supplements to become effective on one (1) day's notice in accordance with the above-referenced Moving Paragraphs.

8. That the Bureau of Fixed Utility Services and the Law Bureau prepare the appropriate Order.

9. That a summary of the Commission Order in this matter be published in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

August 25, 2005



James H. Cawley
Vice Chairman

PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA 17105

DOCUMENT
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Re: Commonwealth Telephone Company
PSI/SPI Filing for Year 2005
Supplement No. 94 to Tariff Telephone
PA. PUC No. 24
Supplement No. 87 to Tariff Telephone
PA PUC No. 23

PUBLIC MEETING:
August 25, 2005
AUG-2005-FUS-0478*

R-00050551

Petition for Amended Alternative Regulation and
Network Modernization Plan of Commonwealth
Telephone Company

P-00961024F1000

Petition for Alternative Regulation and Network
Modernization Plan of Commonwealth Telephone
Company

P-00961024

MOTION OF COMMISSIONER BILL SHANE

Based on my review of the matter before us, I agree with the FUS report and recommendation noting that the filing is uncontested and falls within the matters contemplated by the Commission at Public Meeting of July 9, 1998, with respect to the delegation of authority to FUS in how to handle uncontested matters. Further, staff, in its review of this matter, agrees that Commonwealth's filing is consistent with its amended Network Modernization Plan and that FUS has acted within its delegated authority. I am not willing at this point to ignore staff's extensive and thorough review of this filing nor their expertise in these types of filings.

Therefore, I move that the FUS report and recommendation be approved.

Date

8/25/05

Bill Shane, Commissioner

Bill Shane



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August 31, 2005

Mr. James McNulty, Secretary
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
P.O. Box 3265
Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265

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Re: Compliance Filing – Commonwealth Telephone Company – Supplement No. 96 – Tariff Telephone – PA PUC No. 24 ; Submittal of Voluntary Withdrawal of Tariff Supplement No. 87 – Tariff Telephone PA PUC No. 23

Dear Secretary McNulty:

In compliance with the Order of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, adopted at its Public Meeting of August 25, 2005 at Docket No. R-00050551, Commonwealth Telephone Company (CTCo) submits the above-referenced tariff supplement, and a voluntary withdrawal of a previously filed tariff supplement.

First, CTCo voluntarily withdraws its request to increase the non-published telephone number monthly charge originally contained in Supplement No. 87 to Tariff PA PUC No. 23.

Second, the Commission offered CTCo the option to either bank the rate change revenue that would have resulted from the non-published number rate change or allocate this increase over the remaining dial-tone line rate components approved for rate increase at the above-referenced Docket. Therefore, CTCo submits Supplement No. 96 to Tariff No. 24, reflecting CTCo's choice to equally allocate the revenue from the option offered by the Commission to the dial-tone line rate components approved for increase, effective September 1, 2005.

Supplement No. 96 is issued August 31, 2005 to become effective September 1, 2005, consistent with the Order adopted by the PA PUC at Docket No. R-00050551.

Please contact me at (570) 631-5366 with any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

Michael P. Sharry
Director Regulatory & Public Affairs and
Statutory Agent for Commonwealth Telephone
Company

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TO
TARIFF TELEPHONE – PA P.U.C. NO. 24
COMMONWEALTH TELEPHONE COMPANY

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RATES AND RULES
GOVERNING THE FURNISHING OF TELEPHONE SERVICE
IN
EXCHANGE AREAS OF ALL OF WYOMING COUNTY, AND PORTIONS
OF BERKS, BRADFORD, BUCKS, CARBON, CHESTER, COLUMBIA,
DAUPHIN, LACKAWANNA, LANCASTER, LEHIGH, LUZERNE,
LYCOMING, MONROE, NORTHAMPTON, SCHUYLKILL, SULLIVAN,
SUSQUEHANNA, TIOGA, AND YORK COUNTIES
IN THE STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA
AND AS SHOWN ON SHEETS 6 THROUGH 12
CONTAINED IN TELEPHONE – PA PUC NO. 23
AND AS SHOWN ON MAPS CONTAINED HEREIN

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ISSUED: August 31, 2005

EFFECTIVE: September 01, 2005

by

MICHAEL P. SHARRY
DIRECTOR
REGULATORY AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS
COMMONWEALTH TELEPHONE COMPANY
DALLAS, PENNSYLVANIA

Filed in compliance with the Order
of the Pennsylvania Public Utility
Commission at Docket No. R-00050551
adopted August 25, 2005

NOTICE

(INCREASES)
THIS TARIFF MAKES (DECREASES) IN RATES & RULES
(CHANGES)

SEE SHEET 2

COMMONWEALTH TELEPHONE COMPANY
SUPPLEMENT NO. 96 – PA P.U.C NO. 24

LIST OF MODIFICATIONS

CHANGES
INCREASES -- Consolidation of Rate Groups 1-12 into 1-6
DECREASES

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Thirty Ninth Revised Sheet 4

Commonwealth Telephone Company

Section 1
 Thirty Fifth Revised Sheet 3
 Canceling Thirty Fourth Revised Sheet 3

LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE
 (continued)

CLASS OF SERVICE	RATE GROUPS			
	1	2	3	4
<u>Business</u>				
PBX Trunk	\$20.12 (I)	\$21.12 (I)	\$24.12 (I) (D)	\$28.12 (I)
One-Party	14.38 (I)	14.88 (I)	16.38 (I) (D)	18.63 (I)
<u>Residence</u>				
One-Party	11.63 (I)	11.88 (I)	12.13 (I)	12.38 (I)
each add'l	8.38 (I)	8.63 (I)	8.88 (I)	9.13 (I)
<u>Local Calling Area</u>				
Minimum	0	10,801	20,001	60,001
to		to	to	to
Maximum	10,800	20,000	60,000	100,000
	Benton	Atglen	Conyngham-	Bangor
	Brooklyn	Blossburg	Drums	Belvidere
	Dushore	Covington	New Albany	Ferndale
	Eagles Mere	Elizabeth-	Noxen	Muhlen-
	Estella	ville	Nuremberg	burg
	Gratz	Huntington	Orangeville	Nuangola
	Hallstead	Mills	Rome	Pen Argyl
	Laporte	Laceyville	Towanda	Pocono
	Lawrenceville	LeRaysville	Tremont	Lake
	Lawsville	Lykens	Troy	Portland
	Liberty	Mansfield	Ulster	Saylors-
	Muncy Valley	Mehoopany	Wapwallopen	burg
	Ringtown	Middlebury		Shick-
	Rush	Center		shinny
	St. Joseph	Millersburg		
	Susquehanna	Montrose		
	Valley View	Morris		
	Warren Center	Nicholson		
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Commonwealth Telephone Company

Section 1

Thirty Ninth Revised Sheet 4

Canceling Thirty Eighth Revised Sheet 4

LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE
(continued)

CLASS OF SERVICE	RATE GROUPS	
	5	6
<u>Business</u>		
PBX Trunk	\$31.12 (I) (D)	\$36.12 (I)
One-Party	19.63 (I) (D)	21.88 (I) (D)
<u>Residence</u>		
One-Party	12.88 (I)	13.38 (I)
each add'l	9.63 (I)	10.13 (I)
<u>Local Calling Area</u>		
Minimum	100,001	180,001
	to	to
Maximum	180,000	260,000

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Moreland
Clarks Summit
Dallas
Dalton
Factoryville
Gap
Harveys Lake
Hensel
Kirkwood
Lake Winola
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September 7, 2005

Mary Jane Phelps, Director
Pennsylvania Code & Bulletin
Room 647, Main Capitol Building
Harrisburg, PA 17120

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Re: Notice
Commonwealth Telephone Co. PSI/SPI
Filing for Year 2005
Docket No. R-00050551

Dear Ms. Phelps:

Enclosed please find two (2) copies of the Commission's order in the above-captioned proceeding. The Commission requests that this order be published in its entirety as a notice in the Pennsylvania Bulletin.

Very truly yours,

Karen O. Moury
Director of Operations

Enclosure

cc: Regulatory Coordinator DelBiondo
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