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PARTY/COMPLAINANT: PUC

RESPONDENT/APPLICANT: COMMONWEALTH TELEPHONE CO.

COMP/APP COUNTY: UTILITY CODE: 310800

ALLEGATION OR SUBJECT

COMMONWEALTH TELEPHONE COMPANY HAS FILED SUPPLEMENT NO 86 TO TARIFF TELEPHONE PA PUC NO 23, TO BECOME EFFECTIVE MARCH 31, 2005, WHICH PROPOSES TO MAKE CHANGES TO CTCO'S LIFELINE RULES IN ACCORDANCE WITH ACT 183 OF 2004, REMOVING ADDITIONAL SERVICE LIMITATIONS FROM ITS LIFELINE PROGRAM AS WELL AS ADDING PROVISIONS FOR BROADBAND DISCOUNTS TO SCHOOLS.

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

Re: Commonwealth Telephone Company --- Supplement No. 86 --- Tariff Telephone --- PA PUC No. 23 --- Lifeline Tariff Compliance Filing

R-00050567

Dear Secretary McNulty:

In compliance with the Order of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission at Docket No. P-00961024F1000, Commonwealth Telephone Company (CTCo) submits Supplement No. 86 to its Tariff PA PUC No. 23. Supplement No. 86 makes changes to CTCo's Lifeline rules in accordance with Act 183 of 2004, removing additional service limitations from its Lifeline program as well as adding provisions for broadband discounts to schools.

It is respectfully requested that Supplement No. 86 be permitted to go into effect on March 31, 2005.

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

Sincerely,

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

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SUPPLEMENT NO. 86
TO
TARIFF TELEPHONE - PA P.U.C. NO. 23
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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MICHAEL P. SHARRY
DIRECTOR
REGULATORY AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS
COMMONWEALTH TELEPHONE COMPANY
DALLAS, PENNSYLVANIA

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NOTICE

THIS TARIFF MAKES (CHANGES) IN RATES

SEE SHEET 2

Commonwealth Telephone Company

Section 3
Second Revised Sheet 8C
Canceling First Sheet 8CLIFELINE SERVICEA. DESCRIPTION

Lifeline Service is a residence offering for low-income customers who qualify for this service in accordance with the following regulations. NOTE: Customers who qualify for Lifeline Service may also qualify for Link-Up America Service.

B. REGULATIONS

1. Lifeline Service is available to qualified residence customers and is provided via a residence individual Dial Tone Line. Lifeline Service is limited to only one service per qualified customer or household. A potential lifeline customer who has an outstanding final bill for telephone service which is less than (4) years old must pay the entire balance of any Basic Service final bill before being eligible for Lifeline Service.
2. Residence Lifeline Service consists of the following tariffed standard features and optional customer elected services at the applicable rates, charges and regulations for each feature and service provided:
 - a. One-Party Residence Unlimited Service and Local Measured Service, if available.
 - b. Directory Listing (standard only).
 - c. Non-Published or Non-Listed Telephone Number Service.
 - d. Access to Directory Assistance Service.
 - e. Touch-Tone Calling Service.
 - f. Access to Message Toll Telephone Service and Optional Dial Station-to-Station Calling Plan Services. However, the Residence Lifeline Dial Tone Line will be blocked from dial station access to 976/556/900 and any other type of Audiotex Service.
 - g. Access to Operator Services.
 - h. Voluntary Toll Restriction Option.
 - i. Link Up America (if eligible).
 - j. Access to 800/888 Services.
 - k. Access to Call Trace.
 - l. Access to Alerting and Reporting Systems (9-1-1 dialing).
 - m. Access to the Pennsylvania Telecommunications Relay Service.
 - n. Caller ID Per-call and Per-line Blocking.
 - o. Other eligible telecommunications services at tariffed rates. (C)

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Section 3
First Revised Sheet 8E
Canceling Original Sheet 8ELIFELINE SERVICE
(continued)B. REGULATIONS (cont.)

5. A Lifeline Service customer may not subscribe to any other type of residence Local Exchange Service at the same or other premises. Lifeline Service will not be provided via Foreign Exchange or Foreign Central Office Service arrangements.
6. Only services listed in B. 2 above will be provided to Lifeline customers. (C)
7. Lifeline Service customers are required to apply for the Link-Up America benefit when applicable.
8. Customer requested temporary suspension of Lifeline Service is not permitted.
9. Lifeline Service does not apply to applicants who are full time students living in university or college controlled housing.
10. The applicant must not be a dependent for Federal Income Tax purposes, unless he or she is 60 years of age or older.
11. Lifeline customers are subject to all Residence service regulations in this and other tariffs of Commonwealth Telephone Company.
12. Residence Lifeline Service cannot be resold by the Lifeline customer or the Lifeline customer's agent(s).
13. Resale of Lifeline Services are subject to wholesale rate obligations and under Section 251 (c) (4) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.
14. All outstanding charges, account balances and service restrictions apply to existing customers who qualify for Lifeline Service. Service restrictions will remain until the arrearage(s) have been paid in full.
15. Any Lifeline customer who has a past due balance of Toll Charges will be treated with the appropriate Chapter 64 regulations. The Residence Toll Restoral Charge applies to Lifeline customers who are suspended for non-payment and who subsequently pay their outstanding toll charges and request toll restoral. If a Lifeline customer is toll restricted for a second occurrence, the Company may, at its discretion, place the Lifeline customer on permanent toll restriction.
16. Toll-Blocking and Toll-Control services will be provided at no charge to Lifeline Service subscribers, to the extent that they are offered.

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SPECIAL SERVICES
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BROADBAND DISCOUNT TO SCHOOLS

(C)

The Telephone Company shall offer school customers which meet eligibility standards described in 47 CFR 54.501 (relating to eligibility for services provided by telecommunications carriers) and which agree to enter into a minimum three-year contract, a thirty (30) percent discount in the otherwise applicable tariffed distance-sensitive per-mile rate element and also shall waive the associated nonrecurring charges for available intrastate broadband services (as defined by Act 183 of 2004) where used for educational purposes and not for the provision of telecommunications services to the public for compensation.

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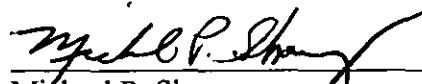
I hereby certify that I have this day served a copy of Commonwealth Telephone Company's Supplement No. 86 to Tariff -- Telephone PA PUC No. 23 filing upon the persons and in the manner indicated below.

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