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PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
COMMONWEALTH KEYSTONE BUILDING
400 NORTH STREET
HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA 17120
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Docket No. R-2024-3050852
Utility Code: 313100

STEVEN J SAMARA
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Re: TDS Telecom/Sugar Valley Telephone Company
2024 State Tax Adjustment Surcharge Filing

Dear Mr. Samara:

Commission Staff reviewed TDS Telecom/Sugar Valley Telephone Company's (company) State Tax Adjustment Surcharge (STAS) update filed on August 22, 2024, which was made in response to changes to Pennsylvania corporate tax rates. Suspension or further investigation does not appear warranted at this time. Therefore, in accordance with 52 Pa. Code, the filing and waiver, as discussed below, are approved. However, this does not preclude this Commission from investigating the financial affairs of your company and, in appropriate cases, ordering refunds or other remedies, but only that suspension or further investigation does not appear warranted at this time.

The company re-calculated its STAS rate with an effective date of September 1, 2024. With this process, the company maintains a zero STAS rate which will be offset by a restatement of the company's Service Price Index. This restatement will be reflected in the company's 2024 Price Stability Index/Service Price Index filing. Since the company's local exchange tariff already reflects a zero STAS rate, no tariff supplement needed to be filed.

In addition, the company requested a waiver of the regulation at 52 Pa. Code § 69.52, STAS Procedures, requiring January and April 2025 STAS filings. We shall approve the waiver and the current STAS filing shall be in effect from September 1, 2024, through August 31, 2025.

If you are dissatisfied with the resolution of this matter, you may, as set forth in 52 Pa. Code § 5.44, file a petition with the Commission within 20 days of the date of this letter. If you have any questions in this matter, please contact John-Paul Rodgers, Telco Section, Bureau of Technical Utility Services at (717) 214-9115 or joh Rodgers@pa.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Matthew L. Homsher'.

Matthew L. Homsher
Secretary

cc: Melissa Derr, TUS