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May 1, 2026

**Via Hand Delivery**

Matthew Homsher, Secretary  
PA Public Utility Commission  
400 North Street  
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**Re: Hickory Telephone Company  
PSI/SPI Filing for Year 2026  
Docket Nos. P-00981431F1000; R-2026-3061808**

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Dear Secretary Homsher:

Pursuant to the Amended Alternative Form of Regulation and Network Modernization Plan of Hickory Telephone Company ("Company"), the Company encloses for filing its 2026 Price Stability Index/Service Price Index ("PSI/SPI") Report. The **proprietary** version of the 2026 PSI/SPI Report is being submitted pursuant to the July 1, 2008 Protective Order granted with the Company's 2008 filing at Docket No. P-2008-2041475, which remains in effect. The **proprietary** version of the 2026 PSI/SPI Report is enclosed in a separate sealed envelope marked as confidential.

All parties have been served with a copy of the 2026 PSI/SPI Report in accordance with the Certificate of Service.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,  
*Bryce R. Beard*  
Bryce R. Beard

cc: Cert. of Service  
Spencer Nahf, Supervisor (TUS)  
Gary Zingaretti  
Brian Jeffers  
Terri Jeffers

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that this day I served a copy of the foregoing documents upon the persons listed below in the manner indicated in accordance with the requirements of 52 Pa. Code Section 1.54.

**Via Email Only**

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Dated: May 1, 2026

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**BEFORE THE  
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

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Hickory Telephone Company  
PSI/SPI Filing for Year 2026

: Docket Nos. P-00981431F1000  
: R-2026-3061808

**HICKORY TELEPHONE COMPANY  
PRICE STABILITY INDEX / SERVICES PRICE INDEX REPORT**

May 1, 2026

**PUBLIC VERSION**

**Hickory Telephone Company  
PSI/SPI Filing for the Year 2026**

**Docket Nos. P-00981431F1000 and R-R- 2026-3061808**

**EXECUTIVE OVERVIEW**

Hickory Telephone Company ("Company") files its annual Price Stability Index/Service Price Index ("PSI/SPI") Report for Year 2026 pursuant to the Company's Amended Streamlined Form of Regulation and Network Modernization Plan ("Chapter 30 Plan") and in compliance with Act 183-2004, 66 Pa.C.S. §§ 3011-3019 ("Act 183"). As a company that has amended its Network Modernization Plan pursuant to Section 3014(b)(1) of Act 183 on March 4, 2005, the inflation offset in the Company's PSI calculation is zero. The resulting Gross Domestic Product - Price Index ("GDP-PI") percent change for 2026 is 2.977%, as shown in **Attachment 1**. The Company's intrastate revenues and the allowable revenue increase are set forth in **Attachment 2**, with disaggregated revenue information only in the Proprietary Version.<sup>1</sup>

This filing is made pursuant to the Price Stability Mechanism (PSM) in the Company's approved Chapter 30 Plan, which sets forth the procedure for an annual PSI/SPI filing that reflects the change in the GDP-PI on a year-to-year basis. The Company proposes no rate changes at this time. The Company proposes to bank the total allowable revenue increase as authorized under and in compliance with its Chapter 30 Plan. The Company's banked revenue increases are set forth in **Attachment 2**.

The Company avers that its PSI/SPI filing for the year 2026 is in compliance with its Chapter 30 Plan and respectfully requests that it be approved by the Commission.

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<sup>1</sup> Consistent with the Commission approved Protective Order entered July 1, 2008 at Docket No. P-2008-2041475 and pursuant to 52 Pa. Code § 5.365, the Company has marked specific information in its filing as proprietary.

Hickory Telephone Company  
PSI Report  
May 1, 2026

1. Measure percentage change in inflation as measured by GDP-PI.

GDP-PI at 9/30/25	129.457
GDP-PI at 9/30/24	125.715
<u>% change GDP-PI</u>	<u>0.02977</u>

2. Calculate new PSI (authorized rate level)

PSI as of 5/1/2025	158.95
x ( 1 + % change GDP-PI)	1.02977
<u>PSI as of 5/1/2026</u>	<u>163.68</u>

3. PSI Floor 100.00

4. New PSI 163.68  
(Greater of 2 or 3)

# NON-PROPRIETARY

Hickory Telephone Company  
 SPI Report (Actual rate levels)  
 May 1, 2026

Intrastate Revenue	Current Revenues	Proposed Revenue	Current Revenue Weight	Proposed Revenue Weight
Basic Local Service				
Other Local Exchange				
Intrastate Access				
Toll Revenue				
VG LATA				
Misc Revenue				
<b>Total Intrastate Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 283,253</b>	<b>\$ 283,253</b>	<b>114.04</b>	<b>114.04</b>
GDP-PI % Change	2.977%			
Allowable Revenue Adjustment	\$ 8,432			

PSI/SPI Filing	Expiration	Current Banked Amount	Deposit	This Filing Withdrawal	Retired	Remaining Banked Amount
2022	5/1/2026	\$ 15,708			\$ 15,708	\$ -
2023	5/1/2027	\$ 22,585				\$ 22,585
2024	5/1/2028	\$ 9,763				\$ 9,763
2025	5/1/2029	\$ 6,550				\$ 6,550
2026	5/1/2030	\$ -	\$ 8,432			\$ 8,432
<b>Prior Total Banked Revenue</b>		<b>\$ 54,606</b>				
<b>New Total Banked Revenue</b>						<b>\$ 47,330</b>