

June 29, 2012

Ms. Beth Salak
Director, Division of Competitive Markets and Enforcement
Attention: Tariff Section
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Re: TX866

Dear Ms. Salak:

Attached for filing, please find the following revised sheet for the Embarq Communications, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink Communications Access Service Price List. This filing is submitted with a proposed effective date of July 3, 2012. The tariff sheet being revised with this filing is as follows:

### Florida Price List No. 1

Price List – 4th Revised Check Sheet 1 2nd Revised Check Sheet 2 1st Revised Sheet 96

This filing proposes intrastate access tariff reductions, to be effective July 3, 2012, pursuant to the FCC's November 18, 2011 Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in WC Docket Nos. 10-90, etc. (FCC 11-161). The Transitional Intrastate Access Service reductions proposed herein are as required by 47 C.F.R. §51.911(b).

On March 28th, 2012, the FCC released an Order granting a limited waiver of the July 1, 2012 effective date for the 2012 annual access filings specifically including §51.911(b) and setting July 3, 2012 as the effective date for the 2012 rate changes required by its Transformation Order. The intrastate rate changes proposed under this filing are intended to mirror the effective date of the interstate rate changes.

This filing is the first step in implementing the "Transitional Intrastate Access Service" reductions mandated by the FCC. Specifically this filing proposes a reduction of switched access service rates by 50% of the difference between the intrastate and interstate revenue, as mandated in the FCC's November 18, 2011 Report and order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in WC Docket Nos. 10-90, etc. (FCC 11-161). Attachment A describes the methodology used for calculating the rate reductions proposed herein.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Para. 15 of DA 12-482, released on March 28, 2012. See also, FCC Order DA 12-870, released June 5, 2012.

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If you have questions or need additional information regarding this filing, please contact Sandy Khazraee at 850-847-0173 or me at the phone number or the e-mail address listed below.

Sincerely,

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Attachments

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# Embarq Communications, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink Communications FCC ICC/USF Compliance Filing Rate Decreases

# NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF ACCESS RATE REDUCTION

The FCC provided the methodology for calculating the rate reductions and identified in detail the intrastate access rates that are required to be reduced consistent with the rules. The access rates to be reduced are referred to by the FCC as "Transitional Intrastate Access Service" and defined to include rates within the following categories:

- Terminating End Office Access Service
- Terminating Tandem-Switched Transport Access Service
- Originating and Terminating Dedicated Transport Access Service

Section 51.911(b) of the FCC Rules sets forth the specific steps to calculate the rates for Transitional Intrastate Access Service:

- 1. Calculate total revenue from Transitional Intrastate Access Service at the interstate access rates in effect on December 29, 2011 using Fiscal Year 2011 intrastate switched access demand for each rate element (defined by the FCC as the period from October 2010 through September 2011).
- 2. Calculate total revenue from Transitional Intrastate Access Service at the intrastate access rates in effect on December 29, 2011 using Fiscal Year 2011 intrastate switched access demand for each rate element.
- 3. Calculate the Step 1 Access Revenue Reduction which is equal to one-half of the difference between the amounts calculated in steps 1 and 2 above.
- 4. Calculate the rates for Transitional Intrastate Access Service such that the revenues from Transitional Intrastate Access Service revenue at the proposed rates is no greater than the total revenues calculated in step 2 less the access revenue reduction calculated in step 3.

Certain local switching access service carrier charges were reduced sufficient to produce the required Access Revenue Reduction produced by Step 3.

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#### 8. Rates and Charges (Cont'd)

#### 8.2 Switched Access Service (Cont'd)

#### 8.2.3 <u>Switched Transport - Tandem Switched Transport</u> (Cont'd)

#### (D) Common Transport Multiplexing

Common Transport Multiplexing is included in the Local Switching rate element.

#### (E) Common Trunk Port

The Common Trunk Port is included in the Local Switching rate element.

#### (F) **Dedicated Trunk Port**

DS1

The DS1 Dedicated Trunk Port is included In the Local Switching rate element.

#### 8.2.4 Switched Transport - Optional Features

Multiplexing

DS3 to DS1

DS3 to DS1 Multiplexing is included in the Local Switching rate element.

8.2.5	Local Switching	Rate Per Access Minute		
	"A" for customers directly connected	\$0.035030	(C)	
	"B" for customers indirectly connected	<b>\$0.019907</b> (R)	(C)	

#### 8.2.6 Installation

Nonrecurring Charges

Per Line or Trunk \$52.00

#### 8.2.7 Carrier Common Line Access Service

Carrier Common Line is included in the Local Switching rate element.