

July 11, 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 pages 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 13, 2012. The Company's tariffs are available on its website at <a href="https://www.centurylink.com/tariffs">www.centurylink.com/tariffs</a>.

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This filing modifies Section 2.3.11, Identification and Rating of VoIP-PSTN Traffic, to be in compliance with the FCC's Second Order of Reconsideration in WC Docket No. 10-90, etc., FCC Release No. 12-47 (April 25, 2012) which temporarily modified the compensation of originating VoIP-PSTN Traffic on a prospective basis.

Commission consideration and timely approval of these pages are respectfully requested. 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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# **CHECK SHEET**

The Title Page and Pages listed below are inclusive and effective as of the date shown. Original and revised pages as named below contain all changes from the original price list sheets that are in effect on the date shown on each page.

<sup>\*</sup>Asterisk indicates changes in current price list filing.

## 2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

## 2.3 Obligations of the Customer (Cont'd)

## 2.3.11 Identification and Rating of VoIP-PSTN Traffic

### (A) Scope

VoIP-PSTN Traffic is defined as traffic exchanged between a Telephone Company end user and the customer in Time Division Multiplexing ("TDM") format that originates and/or terminates in Internet Protocol ("IP") format. This section governs the identification *and compensation* of VoIP-PSTN Traffic that is required to be compensated *at access* rates, unless the parties have agreed otherwise, by the Federal Communications Commission in its Report and Order in WC Docket Nos. 10-90, etc., FCC Release No. 11-161 (November 18, 2011)("FCC Order"). Specifically this section establishes the method of separating VoIP-PSTN Traffic from the customer's traditional intrastate access traffic, so that VoIP-PSTN Traffic can be billed in accordance with the FCC Order.

The FCC released their Second Order of Reconsideration in WC Docket No. 10-90, etc., FCC Release No. 12-47 (April 25, 2012) which temporarily modified the compensation of originating VoIP-PSTN Traffic on a prospective basis. Upon receipt, validation and acceptance of the Percent VoIP Usage factor, originating VoIP-PSTN Traffic will be compensated as follows:

- Between the Initial Implementation date described in 2.3.11(D)(1) and July 12, 2012, the applicable rate elements used in providing originating access for VoIP-PSTN Traffic and associated facilities will be billed according to interstate access rates.
- Effective July 13, 2012 the applicable rate elements used in providing originating access for intrastate VoIP-PSTN Traffic and associated facilities will be billed according to intrastate access rates. The applicable rate elements used in providing originating access for interstate VoIP-PSTN Traffic and associated facilities will be billed according to interstate access rates.
- Effective July 1, 2014 the applicable rate elements used in providing originating access for intrastate VoIP-PSTN Traffic and associated After the Initial Implementation date described in 2.3.11 (G)(2), terminating VoIP-PSTN Traffic and associated facilities will be billed according to interstate access rates.
- After the Initial Implementation date described in 2.3.11(D)(1), terminating VoIP-PSTN Traffic and associated facilities will be billed according to interstate access rates.

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- 2. <u>General Regulations</u> (Cont'd)
  - 2.3 <u>Obligations of the Customer</u> (Cont'd)
    - 2.3.11 <u>Identification and Rating of VoIP-PSTN Traffic</u> (Cont'd)
      - VoIP-PSTN Traffic and associated facilities identified in accordance with (M) (C) this tariff section will be billed at rates equal to the Telephone Company's applicable tariffed interstate switched access rate as specified in CenturyLink Operating Companies Tariff F.C.C. No. 9, Section 6 when (C) applicable based on the schedule shown above. (C) Calculation and Application of **Percent VolP Usage** Factors (1) Telephone Company will determine the number of VoIP-PSTN Traffic (T)minutes of use ("MOU") to which interstate rates will be applied under (B) preceding, by applying an originating Percent VoIP Usage ("PVU") factor to the total intrastate access MOU originated by a Telephone Company end user and delivered to the customer and by applying a terminating PVU factor to the total intrastate access MOU terminated by a customer to the Telephone Company's end user. (M) (2) The Company will use state average data and the customer (N) provided Facility PVU to determine the monthly recurring credit for terminating VoIP-PSTN Traffic. (N) (3) The customer will calculate and furnish to the Telephone Company an (M1)(T)originating PVU factor representing the whole number percentage of the customer's total originating intrastate access MOU that the customer exchanges with the Telephone Company in the state that is received from the Telephone Company and that is terminated in IP format and that would be billed by the Telephone Company as intrastate access MOU. (4) The customer will calculate and furnish to the Telephone Company a (T)terminating PVU factor representing the whole number percentage of the customer's total terminating intrastate access MOU that the customer exchanges with the Telephone Company in the state that is sent to the Telephone Company and which originated in IP format and that would be billed by the Telephone Company as intrastate access
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- 2.3 Obligations of the Customer (Cont'd)
  - 2.3.11 <u>Identification and Rating of VoIP-PSTN Traffic</u> (Cont'd)
    - (C) Calculation and Application of **Percent VolP Usage** Factors (Cont'd) (T)(M) (N) (5) The customer will calculate and furnish to the Company a Facility PVU factor representing the whole number percentage of the customer's total monthly recurring switched transport charges that are associated with the intrastate access MOU included in the PVU factor. (N) (6) The customer shall not modify their reported PIU factor to account **(T)** for VoIP-PSTN traffic. The customer provided originating PVU, the terminating PVU and **(7)** the Facility PVU shall be based on information such as the number (C) of the customer's retail VoIP subscriptions in the state (e.g. as reported on FCC Form 477), traffic studies, actual call detail or other relevant and verifiable information which will be provided to Telephone Company upon request. (8) The customer shall retain the call detail, work papers and (T)information used to develop the PVU factors for a minimum of one year. If the customer does not furnish the Telephone Company with a (T)PVU factor, the Telephone Company will utilize a PVU equal to zero.

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- 2.3 Obligations of the Customer (Cont'd)
  - 2.3.11 Identification and Rating of VoIP-PSTN Traffic (Cont'd)
    - (F) PVU Factor Verification (Cont'd)
      - (2) The Telephone Company may dispute the customer's PVU factor based upon:
        - (a) A review of the requested data and information provided by the customer, or customer's refusal to provide the data and information to support the PVU factors.
        - (b) The Telephone Company's reasonable review of other market information, FCC reports on VoIP lines, such as FCC Form 477 or state level results based on FCC Local Competition Report or other relevant data.
        - (c) A change in the reported PVU factor by more than five percentage points from the preceding quarter.
      - (3) If after review of the data and information, the customer and the Telephone Company **establish** revised PVU factors, the customer and the Telephone Company will begin using those revised PVU factors with the next bill period.
      - (4) If the dispute is unresolved, the Telephone Company may initiate an audit. The Telephone Company shall limit audits of the customer's PVU factor to no more than twice per year. The customer may request that the audit be conducted by an independent auditor. In such cases, the associated auditing expenses will be paid by the customer.
        - (a) In the event that the customer fails to provide adequate records to enable the Telephone Company or an independent auditor to conduct an audit verifying the customer's PVU factors, the Telephone Company will bill the usage and associated facilities for all contested periods using the most recent undisputed PVU factors reported by the customer. If no undisputed PVU factors exist, then PVU factors of zero percent will be used for all contested periods. These PVU factors will remain in effect until the audit can be completed.

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