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September 15, 2006

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: **TL727** 

Dear Ms. Salak:

Attached for filing, please find the following revised pages for the Embarq Florida, Inc. Access Service Tariff and General Exchange Tariff. This filing is submitted with a proposed effective date of November 1, 2006. The Company's tariffs are available on its website at <u>www.embarq.com/tariffs</u>.

Access Service Tariff

Section E3.8 Fifth Revised Sheet 17

General Exchange Tariff

Section A3	Thirteenth Revised Sheet 44	Section A3 Cont'd	Eleventh Revised Sheet 49
	Tenth Revised Sheet 44.1		Sixteenth Revised Sheet 59
	Eleventh Revised Sheet 47	Section A4	Sixth Revised Sheet 9

This filing proposes to reduce the originating and terminating carrier common line (CCL) and increase the Basic Access Line rate for Residence and Business customers by \$2.25 and \$2.40 respectively. The credit for Lifeline will increase by \$2.25 to offset the Residence Basic Access Line increase. In addition, we are increasing rates for Service Ordering Charges.

Commission consideration and timely approval of these pages are respectfully requested. If you have questions or need additional information regarding this filing, please call Nancy Schnitzer at 850-599-1276.

Sincerely,

Mary L. Matthews

cc: Nancy Schnitzer Attachments FL 06-67

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#### ACCESS SERVICE TARIFF

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## E3. CARRIER COMMON LINE ACCESS

# E3.8 Rates and Charges

- A. The rate for Carrier Common Line Access is:
  - 1. Carrier Common Line

		Rate	
(a)	Originating Access Minute, each	\$0.003272	(R)
(b)	Terminating Access Minute, each	\$0.003272	(R)

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#### BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

#### D. MONTHLY EXCHANGE RATES - BASIC SERVICES

16. Rates and Charges

The rates specified herein entitle subscribers to an unlimited number of messages, unless otherwise specified to all stations bearing the designation of central office within the service exchange and additional exchanges or portions of exchanges as shown in B.2. preceding. Touch-Tone Service is included in these rates.

		Rate Groups 1	2	3	4	5	
a.	Residential, Flat Rate	\$13.70	14.00	14.70	15.55	16.85	(I)
b.	SmallTalk, Residential Only	\$ 8.25	8.75	9.25	10.00	10.75	
C.	Residential, Key Line	\$12.75	13.00	14.00	15.25	16.25	
d.	Residential, Rotary, Flat Rate	\$14.75	15.50	16.00	16.50	17.75	
e.	Residential, Rotary, Key Line	\$16.50	17.50	18.50	19.50	20.50	

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# BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

# D. MONTHLY EXCHANGE RATES - BASIC SERVICES (Cont'd)

16. Rates and Charges (Cont'd)

			Rate	e Groups		
		1	2	3	4	5
h.	Business, Flat Rate	\$23.45	24.25	26.95	28.75	30.75
i.	Business, Key Line	\$28.95	29.30	31.20	31.85	33.70
j.	Business, Centrex Line 1) United Telephone	\$26.00	26.00	26.00	29.00	29.00
k.	Business, Rotary, Flat Rate	\$29.35	29.90	32.90	35.25	38.90
I.	Business, Rotary, Key Line	\$33.50	34.50	36.85	38.75	43.75
m.	Business, Rotary, Centrex Line 1) United Telephone	\$30.00	30.00	33.00	35.00	39.00

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## BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

#### E. LOCAL EXCHANGE EXCEPTIONS (Cont'd)

- 3. Pine Island Exchange: Useppa Island
  - a. Except as otherwise provided, the rates and regulations contained in the General Exchange Tariff apply in this exception area.
  - b. The telephone rates specified hereunder entitle the subscriber to an unlimited number of local telephone messages to all stations bearing the designation of Pine Island, Fort Myers, Fort Myers Beach, North Fort Myers, Cape Coral, North Cape Coral, and Sanibel-Captiva Islands exchanges.
  - c. A map showing the Exception Area is filed in Supplemental Section A3.
  - d. Each customer will be required to make a contribution for construction for the first five years that customer location has service. This contribution for construction will apply for service provided through the originally placed, or replaced, cable pairs which number 100.
  - e. Within this Exception Area, the following access line rates apply:

	<u>Business</u>	<u>Residence</u>
Individual Line	\$38.75	\$25.55
Individual Line, Rotary	45.25	26.50
PBX Trunk	53.65	
SmallTalk		20.00
Centrex	37.00	28.00
Centrex, Rotary	46.95	28.25
Key Line	41.85	25.25
Key Line, Rotary	48.75	29.50
Pay Telephone Service (PATS)	36.35 plus P	ATS usage
Network Access Registers (NAR) per Register	33.20	
Off Premises Extension	35.00	20.00

f. A special trip charge of \$35 will apply in addition to the connection charges specified within this tariff.

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# BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

#### E. LOCAL EXCHANGE EXCEPTIONS (Cont'd)

- 5. Sanibel-Captiva Islands: North Captiva Island (Cont'd)
  - e. Within this Exception Area, the following access line rates apply:

	<u>Business</u>	<u>Residence</u>
Individual Line	\$38.75	\$25.55
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Pay Telephone Service (PATS)	36.35 p	lus PATS usage
Network Access Registers (NAR) per Register	33.20	
Off Premises Extension	35.00	20.00

- f. A special trip charge of \$35 will apply in addition to the connection charges specified within this tariff.
- g. Throughout the exception area, the rates for service not specifically shown in this section are given in the General Exchange Tariff.

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# BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

## J. LIFELINE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

- 1. General
  - a. The Interstate Subscriber Line Charge Waiver and Matching Program adopted by the Florida Public Service Commission is a Lifeline Assistance Program and provides for a federal credit equal to 100% of the Interstate Subscriber Line Charge (SLC) of \$6.50 as shown in the Interstate Access Tariff, Section 4, an equivalent Company provided subsidy of \$8.00, plus an additional federal reduction of \$3.50 for a total credit of up to \$18.00 per month. Effective October 1, 2000, eligible applicants living on federally recognized Native American reservations will receive an additional credit of up to \$25.00 sufficient to reduce the monthly rate for local service to no less than \$1.00 inclusive of the subscriber line charge.
  - b. The federal and Company credits are applied to the local service bills for qualified residential recipients of public assistance who apply for the credits and authorize agency verification of their participation in at least one of the following programs: Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF), Medicaid, Supplementary Security Income (SSI), food stamps, Federal Public Housing Assistance (Section 8), Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) and National School Lunch Program (free meals program only).
  - c. An applicant living on federally recognized Native American reservations is eligible for additional credit as outlined in J.1.a. preceding, if he/she is currently a recipient of benefits from one of the following assistance programs: Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF), Medicaid, Supplementary Security Income (SSI), food stamps, Federal Public Housing Assistance (Section 8), Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), Federal Public Housing Assistance, Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) General Assistance, Tribally Administered Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, Head Start (only for those meeting its income qualifying standard) and National School Lunch Program (free meals program only).
  - d. Additionally, customers not receiving benefits under one of the preceding programs, and whose total gross annual income does not exceed 135% of the federal poverty guidelines, meet the requirements of a State established means test and may apply directly to the Office of Public Counsel (OPC) for eligibility certification.
  - e. Lifeline Assistance is available for one telephone line per residence, at the customer's principle place of residence.

BY: F. B. Poag Director

RATES AND CHARGES

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# SERVICE CHARGES

	-		<u>Residence</u>	<u>Business</u>
1.	Serv	vice Ordering Charges, each order		
	a.	Primary associated with access line	\$23.00	\$32.00
	b.	Secondary	12.00	18.00
	c.	Access Line Charge, each line	30.00	37.00
	d.	Premises Visit Charge	20.00	30.00
	e.	Premises Work Charge, per ¼ Hour or fraction thereof	12.00	12.00
	f.	Record Change Charge	12.00	18.00
	g.	Telephone Number Change, including Service ordering charge, each	12.00	18.00
	h.	Restore Service	30.00	34.00

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a.	Residential, Flat Rate	\$ <del>11.45</del> <u>13.70</u>	<del>11.75</del> <u>14.00</u>	<del>12.45</del> 14.70	<del>13.30</del> <u>15.55</u>	<del>14.60</del> <u>16.85</u>
b.	SmallTalk, Residential Only	\$ 8.25	8.75	9.25	10.00	10.75
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# BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

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16. Rates and Charges (Cont'd)

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h.	Business, Flat Rate	\$ <del>21.05</del> 23.45	<del>21.85</del> 24.25	<del>24.55</del> <u>26.95</u>	<del>26.35</del> 28.75	<del>28.35</del> <u>30.75</u>
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RATES AND CHARGES

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# SERVICE CHARGES

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