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June 18, 2012

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, DC

Attention: Wireline Competition Bureau

RE: Transmittal No. 38 -- 2012 Annual Access Charge Tariff Filing

The accompanying tariff material, issued by the Consolidated Communications Companies (CCC; FRN #0010-1553-98), consisting of Consolidated Communications of Texas Company (CCTX) d/b/a Consolidated Communications and Consolidated Communications of Fort Bend Company (CCFB) d/b/a Consolidated Communications, and bearing Tariff F.C.C. No. 1, Access Service, is sent to you for filing in compliance with the requirements of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. The proposed effective date of July 3, 2012, is fifteen days after the filing date, in accordance with Section 204(a)(3) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, and Order DA 12-482, In the Matter of July 3, 2012 Annual Access Charge Tariff Filings.

This filing is made in compliance with the F.C.C.'s Orders DA 12-482 in WCB/Pricing File No. 12-07, In the Matter of July 3, 2012 Annual Access Charge Tariff Filings, released March 28, 2012; and DA 12-575 in WCB/Pricing File No. 12-08, In the Matter of Material to be Filed in Support of 2012 Annual Access Tariff Filings; both released April 19, 2012.

The rationale and explanation of the impact to rates, Tariff Review Plans (TRPs), and supporting data for both CCTX and CCFB are found in the Description and Justification attached to this filing. The TRPs and the supporting data are being filed as part of this transmittal. Additional files are included in this filing to comply with the FCC USF/ICC Transformation Order and include confidential material. Specifically, files related to Intrastate Access Reduction, Reciprocal Compensation, Access Recovery Charge calculation, and Tariff Rate Comparison are confidential and proprietary. Redacted versions of these files are included in the filing. The required Certification is provided at the end of the filing package.

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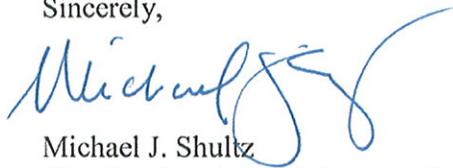
The changes included with this filing are the tariff changes reflecting the decrease to the third quarter Universal Service Contribution factor to 15.7% and the addition of an Access Recovery Charge language, Section 4 and rates found in Sections 17 and 18.

This transmittal letter and the supporting documents are being electronically filed today via the Federal Communications Commission's Electronic Tariff Filing System (ETFS).

Payment in the amount of \$845.00 along with Form 159 are being transmitted electronically via ETFS simultaneous with this filing.

All petitions, correspondence and inquiries in connection with this filing should be addressed to me at 350 S Loop 336 W, Conroe, TX 77304, telephone 936-788-7414.

Sincerely,



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Vice President, Regulatory and Public Policy

Attachments