

**DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION**  
**John Staurulakis, Inc. Tariff F.C.C. No. 1**  
**Transmittal No. 165**  
**TruVista Communications Companies**

TruVista Communications, through its consultant John Staurulakis, Inc. (“JSI”), hereby provides a Description and Justification (“D&J”) for introduction of the Access Recovery Charge (“ARC”) proposed under JSI Transmittal No. 165 for JSI Tariff F.C.C. No. 1 (“JSI Tariff”) for the 2012 annual access tariff filing. The three TruVista Communications study areas listed below are collectively an issuing carrier for the JSI Tariff and are alternately referred to herein as “TruVista”, “the Company” or “the Companies.”

<i>Study Area Company Name</i>	<i>Study Area State</i>	<i>Study Area Code</i>
Chester Telephone Company d/b/a TruVista Communications	SC	240516
Lockhart Telephone Company, Inc. d/b/a TruVista Communications	SC	240532
Ridgeway Telephone Company, Inc. d/b/a TruVista Communications	SC	240541

None of the three TruVista study areas participate in the National Exchange Carrier Association (“NECA”) Traffic Sensitive Pool and thus provide interstate Traffic Sensitive Switched Access and Special Access service at TruVista specific rates filed in the JSI Tariff. The three study areas are participants in the NECA Common Line Pool and thus rates in the JSI Tariff for End User Common Line, ISDN Ports, T-1 Channel Service and Federal Universal Service Contribution (“FUSC”) charges reference the corresponding rates in NECA Tariff F.C.C. No. 5 consistent with the carriers’ duties as members of the NECA Common Line Pool.

**1. DESCRIPTION OF FILING**

This summary together with the accompanying revised tariff material has been filed by JSI on behalf of the Companies for compliance with the new rules adopted by the Commission in its USF/ICC Transformation Order requiring ILECs to adjust, over a period of years, their switched access charges effective on July 1 of each of those years together with introduction of an Access Recovery Charge (“ARC”). *See Connect America Fund et al.*, WC Docket No. 10-90 et al., Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 26 FCC Rcd 17663, FCC-11-161 (Rel. November 18, 2011), (*USF/ICC Transformation Order*), pets. for review pending, Direct Commc’ns Cedar Valley, LLC v FCC, No. 11-9581 (10th Cir. Filed Dec. 18, 2011) (and consolidated cases).

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#### **2012 Annual Access Filing – TruVista Communications Companies**

JSI Tariff F.C.C. No. 1 governs the provision by the Companies of interstate Switched Access, Special Access and Miscellaneous and Public Packet Data Network services and, beginning July 3, 2012, the Access Recovery Charge (“ARC”).

The filing is made in accordance with the Commission’s March 28, 2012 release entitled In the Matter of July 3, 2012 Annual Access Charge Tariff Filings, WCB/Pricing File No. 12-07, Order, DA 12-482.

Consistent with the requirements of Section 51.909(a)(1) adopted by the Commission in the USF/ICC Transformation Order, no changes are proposed with respect to rate elements for services contained in the definitions of End Office Access Service, Tandem Switched Transport Access Service, and Dedicated Transport Access Service, as well as all other interstate switched access rate elements, in its interstate switched access tariffs at the rate that was in effect on December 29, 2011. See 47 C.F.R. § 51.909(a)(1).

Each of the three TruVista study areas is individually introducing the ARC rate element consistent with Section 51.917(e)(1). See 47 C.F.R. § 51.917. Section 51.917(d)(1)(vii) – ARC Election. Each of the three TruVista study areas is filing an ARC, effective July 3, 2012 at the maximum rate of \$0.50 per month for each line other than lines of Lifeline Customers assessed a primary residential or single-line business end user common line charge pursuant to 47 CFR § 69.104 and \$1.00 per month for each multi-line business end user common line charge assessed pursuant to 47 CFR § 69.104.

Under this transmittal, JSI is proposing addition of ARC regulations to JSI Tariff FCC No. 1 at Section 13.16.

TruVista’s proposed ARC rates are being added to TruVista’s JSI Tariff rate section at Section 17.4.4(N).

## **2. ARC and CAF ELECTIONS PURSUANT to USF/ICC TRANSFORMATION ORDER**

The elections for each of the TruVista study areas for ARC and CAF participation are provided at Attachments 1 through 3 as follows. The ARC election is being made pursuant to Section 51.917(e), and the CAF election is being made pursuant to Section 51.917(f) of the Commission’s Rules.

<i>Study Area Company Name</i>	<i>Attachment</i>
Chester Telephone Company d/b/a TruVista Communications	1
Lockhart Telephone Company, Inc. d/b/a TruVista Communications	2
Ridgeway Telephone Company, Inc. d/b/a TruVista Communications	3

**Description and Justification****John Staurulakis, Inc. Tariff F.C.C. No. 1 - Transmittal No.165****2012 Annual Access Filing – TruVista Communications Companies****3. SUMMARY OF TRP FORMS**

MS Excel File Name from FCC WCB PPD	Content
<b>Chester RoR-ILEC-ICC-data-4.18.12.xlsx</b> <b>Lockhart MVT RoR-ILEC-ICC-data-4.18.12.xlsx</b> <b>Ridgeway RoR-ILEC-ICC-data-4.18.12.xlsx</b>	<u>Four Tabs for Each File</u> 2012 Eligible Recovery Summary 2012 RoR ILEC Interstate Rates 2012 RoR ILEC Intrastate Rates 2012 RoR ILEC Recip. Comp Rates
<b>TruVista RateCeiling-CAF.xlsm</b> (single file covers all three study areas)	<u>Three Tabs</u> Data Sheet Max ARC Rev. Calc CAF Calc.
<b>Chester Tariff-Rate-Comparison_CAF.xlsm</b> <b>Lockhart Tariff-Rate-Comparison_CAF.xlsm</b> <b>Ridgeway Tariff-Rate-Comparison_CAF.xlsm</b>	<u>Three Tabs for Each File</u> Data Sheet Tariff Rate Comparison Footnotes

**4. CERTIFICATIONS ACCOMPANYING TRANSMITTAL**

- Certification of Designation of JSI as Carrier Agent, signed by Company Officer.
- Certification of Officer as to Accuracy of the CAF ICC Data Reported
- Certification by Officer that Company is Eligible Recovery §51.917(d) and Access Recovery Charge §51.917(e) and is eligible to receive the CAF ICC support requested pursuant to §51.917(f).
- Certification by Officer that Reporting Carrier is not Seeking Duplicative Recovery in the State Jurisdiction for any Eligible Recovery

Each of the three TruVista study areas is filing under this transmittal a set of certifications as described above.