Smithville Communications, Inc. – Tariff F.C.C. No. 1
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DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION

The filing made on June 17, 2013, to be effective July 2, 2013, increases the Access Recovery Charge (ARC) for Smithville Communications, Inc. (Smithville) to the maximum allowable pursuant to 47 CFR §51.917(e). This filing also revises Smithville's special access service rates per normal operation of 47 C.F.R. § 61.39.

This Tariff is issued pursuant to 47 CFR §61.39, and as such, an annual tariff filing is required in 2013. In addition to the revised tariff pages listed in the Transmittal Letter, Smithville is also providing information pursuant to the Wireline Competition Bureau's (Bureau) Orders in WC Docket No. 13-76, dated March 26, 2013 (DA 13-553) and April 19, 2013 (DA 13-789).

Pursuant to 47 CFR § 51.909(a)(1), all rate elements contained in the definition of End Office Access Service, Tandem Switched Transport Access Service, and Dedicated Transport Access Service (as well as all other interstate switched access service rate elements) were capped as of December 29, 2011, and as such, Smithville is reflecting no change to those rates in this tariff filing.

Smithville is including the material to be provided in support of 2013 annual access tariff filings, pursuant to the Bureau Orders listed above. This information includes the following Tariff Review Plan (TRP) schedules promulgated by the Bureau: (1) 2013 Rate Ceiling CAF for FCC, (2) RoR-ILEC-ICC, and (3) 2013 Tariff Rate Comp CAF.

The information contained in the above-listed schedules constitutes the data necessary to establish Smithville's ARC rates and projected eligibility for CAF ICC funding during the upcoming funding period, as required by 47 CFR 54.304(d)(1) and pursuant to 47 CFR 51.917.

Smithville, also via Transmittal No. 5, provided the following required certifications:

- 47 CFR 51.917(f)(3) - A Rate-of-Return Carrier that elects to receive CAF ICC support must certify with its annual access tariff filings that it has complied with paragraphs (d) and (e), and, after doing so, is eligible to receive the CAF ICC support requested pursuant to paragraph (f) of this section.

- 47 CFR 51.917(d)(vii) - A Rate-of-Return Carrier seeking revenue recovery must annually certify as part of its tariff filings to the Commission and to the relevant state commission that the carrier is not seeking duplicative recovery in the state jurisdiction for any Eligible Recovery subject to the recovery mechanism.

- Pursuant to DA 13-789, the Smithville is required to certify that their historical and forecast data used in the annual tariff filing are accurate.