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

Attention: Wireline Competition Bureau

RE: Special Permission Application No. 6

Consolidated Communications Companies, a holding company owning multiple incumbent local exchange carrier subsidiaries, would like to consolidate the interstate tariffs issued by its subsidiaries under a single filing entity.

To accomplish this, Consolidated Communications proposes to cancel the existing tariffs issued by its subsidiaries and, at the same time, issue three new tariffs under the name "Consolidated Communications Companies." Consolidated Communications Companies Tariff FCC No. 4 with issuing carrier Consolidated Communications of Illinois Company (CCIL) will replace Illinois Consolidated Telephone Company Tariff FCC No. 2. Consolidated Communications Companies Tariff FCC No. 6 with issuing carrier being Consolidated Communications of Illinois Company (CCIL) will replace Illinois Consolidated Telephone Company Tariff FCC No. 3, Special Construction. Consolidated Communications Companies Tariff FCC No. 5 with issuing carrier being Consolidated Communications of California Company (CCCA) will replace SureWest Telephone Tariff FCC No.1.

Pursuant to § 61.151 through 61.153 of the Commission's rules, and as discussed below, application is hereby made by the Consolidated Communications Companies, for Special Permission under which the Commission would grant a limited waiver, to the extent required, of §61.52(a)(1), 61.54(b)(2), 61.54(c)(4), 61.54(i), 61.59 and 61.74 of its rules in connection with Consolidated Communications issuance of new tariffs.

Consolidated Communications requests waiver of §61.52(a)(1) to permit it to place the name "Consolidated Communications Companies" on each tariff sheet and waiver of §61.54(b)(2) to permit it to place the name "Consolidated Communications Companies" on the title page of each tariff. Consolidated Communications intends to include the exact legal names of the issuing carriers covered by its tariffs within the Title page.



Consolidated Communications requests waivers of §61.54(c)(4) and 61.54(i) of the Commission's rules to permit Consolidated Communications to not use margin coding or other notations to show text changes, or moved material as would otherwise be required by these rules. All such changes will be non-substantive changes made to reflect organizational changes in the tariffs.

Consolidated Communications requests waiver of §61.59 of the Commission's rules so that it may make tariff filings affecting the Consolidated tariffs during the review period and for 30 days following the tariff's effective date. However, no filing made during the review period will have an effective date prior to the effective date of the new tariff. This waiver would permit Consolidated to make filings that would otherwise be permitted or required, but for the 30 day minimum effective period required by §61.59. At the time of our initial filing, we will file an updated USF at the same time but it will be a revision to the initial filing with a subsequent set of check sheets with the same effective date.

Finally, Consolidated requests waiver of §61.74 of the Commission's rules to permit it to continue to reference in the new tariff the same cross references to which the Commission has previously granted a waiver or waivers of this rule, and which are not currently allowed by §61.74.

Consolidated proposes no new material or substantive changes to content of its tariffs.

See attached illustrative tariff pages for each proposed new tariff.

In accordance with Section 61.41, this application for special permission and associated attachments are being electronically filed today via the Federal Communications Commission's Electronic Tariff Filing System (ETFS) and payment in the amount of \$910.00 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,

/s/ Scott Kitchen

Scott Kitchen
Director, Regulatory Compliance

Attachments

ATTACHMENT A
Overview of Proposed changes to Tariff

Illinois Consolidated Telephone Company
Tariff F.C.C. No. 2

Consolidated Communications Companies
Tariff F. C. C. No. 4

3rd Revised Title Page

Original Title Page showing the name Consolidated Communications Companies as well as listing the issuing carrier as Consolidated Communications of Illinois

Section 2

Cleaning up empty space from previously deleted material. No rate changes made.

Sec 2, page 27 –moved material from 27.1

Deleted page, material moved to 27.

Changed page number 29.1.1 to 29.2, eliminating the 29.1.1 page.

On page 29.2,moved first paragraph in 2.3.11 to page 30

Material previously on page 35, now appears on page 34.

Moved C from page 36 to 35

Material previously on page 37 now resides on page 36

Material previously on page 37.1 now appears on page 37

Material previously on page 37.2 now appears on page 37.1. Deleted page 37.2

Section 5

Material previously appearing on 81 now appears on 80

Eliminated blank page 80.1

Material previously appearing on 82 now appears on 81

Material previously appearing on 83 now
appears on 82

Material previously appearing on 84 now
appears on 83

Material previously appearing on 85 now
appears on 84.

Page 85 now Reserved for future use.

Section 7

Eliminated 196.21 – blank page

**SureWest Telephone
Tariff F.C.C No. 1**

2nd Revised Title Page

**Consolidated Communications Companies
Tariff F.C.C. No. 5**

Original Title Page showing the name
Consolidated Communications Companies as
well as listing the issuing carrier as
Consolidated Communications of California

Corrected the address in the footers
throughout.

**Illinois Consolidated Telephone Company
Tariff F.C.C. No. 3**

1st Revised Title Page

**Consolidated Communications Companies
Tariff F.C.C. No. 6**

Original Title Page showing the name
Consolidated Communications Companies as
well as listing the issuing carrier as
Consolidated Communications of Illinois.

ACCESS SERVICE

Regulations, Rates and Charges
applying to the provision of Access Services
within a Local Access and Transport Area (LATA) or
equivalent Market Area in the State of Illinois for
connection to interstate communication facilities
for customers within the operating
territory of

ILLINOIS CONSOLIDATED TELEPHONE COMPANY

Access Services are provided by means of wire, fiber optics, radio or a
combination thereof. Such service is provided at the rate centers listed in
Section 9 of the Illinois Consolidated Telephone Company Tariff F.C.C. No.
2.

This tariff has been cancelled and is no longer effective. Regulations, rates and charges formerly found in
this tariff are now found in Consolidated Communications Companies Tariff F.C.C. No. 3.

(N)
(N)

This page filed under Consolidated Communications Companies Transmittal No. 63

ISSUED:

Robert J. Currey, President
Illinois Consolidated Telephone Company
121 South 17th Street
Mattoon, Illinois 61938

EFFECTIVE:

ACCESS SERVICE

CONSOLIDATED COMMUNICATIONS COMPANIES

REGULATIONS, RATES AND CHARGES

**Applying to the Provision of Access Services
for Connection to Interstate Communications Facilities
for Interstate Customers within the operating territory of the Issuing Carrier listed below.**

Consolidated Communications of Illinois

Access Services are provided by means of wire, radio, satellite
or other suitable technology or a combination thereof.

This tariff cancels Illinois Consolidated Telephone Company Tariff F.C.C. NO. 4 in its entirety.

ISSUED:

Vice President, Regulatory and Public Policy
350 S. Loop 336 West
Conroe, TX 77304

EFFECTIVE:

SureWest Telephone cancels Roseville Telephone Company Tariff F.C.C. No. 1. This tariff is a reissue of the tariff previously filed by Roseville Telephone Company, under the Company's new name SureWest Telephone. Each page in this tariff is new, however there are no changes between this tariff and Roseville Telephone Company Tariff F.C.C No. 1. See Section 61.54(i)(2)(i) of the Commission's rules. This tariff, as originally issued, does not make any changes in regulations or rates from the Roseville Telephone Company tariff.

ACCESS SERVICE

REGULATIONS, RATES AND CHARGES

Applying to the provision of Access Services within a Local Access and Transport Area (LATA) for Connection to Interstate Communications Facilities for Interstate Customers within the operating territory of

SUREWEST TELEPHONE

in the

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

as provided herein.

Access Services are provided by means of wire, radio or a combination thereof.

This tariff has been cancelled and is no longer effective. Regulations, rates and charges formerly found in this tariff are now found in Consolidated Communications Companies Tariff F.C.C. No.5. (N) (N)

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Issued:

Effective:

Vice President, Regulatory and Public Policy
350 South Loop 336 West
Conroe, TX 77304-3308

ACCESS SERVICE

CONSOLIDATED COMMUNICATIONS COMPANIES

REGULATIONS, RATES AND CHARGES

**Applying to the Provision of Access Services
for Connection to Interstate Communications Facilities
for Interstate Customers within the operating territory of the Issuing Carrier listed below.**

Consolidated Communications of California

Access Services are provided by means of wire, radio, satellite
or other suitable technology or a combination thereof.

This tariff cancels SureWest Telephone Tariff F.C.C. No. 1 in its entirety.

Issued under authority of Special Permission No. _____

Issued:

Effective:

Vice President, Regulatory and Public Policy
Consolidated Communications Companies
211 Lincoln Street
Roseville, CA 95678

SPECIAL CONSTRUCTION

This Tariff applies to the special
construction of facilities in connection
with the provision of interstate services,
within the operating territory of

ILLINOIS CONSOLIDATED TELEPHONE COMPANY

offered under Tariff F.C.C. No. 2
in the State of Illinois

This tariff has been cancelled and is no longer effective. Regulations, rates and charges formerly found in (N)
this tariff are now found in Consolidated Communications Companies Tariff F.C.C. No. 5. (N)

This page filed under Consolidated Communications Companies Transmittal Letter No. 63

ISSUED:

Richard A. Lumpkin, President
Illinois Consolidated Telephone Company
121 South 17th Street
Mattoon, Illinois 61938

EFFECTIVE:

SPECIAL CONSTRUCTION

This Tariff applies to the special
construction of facilities in connection
with the provision of interstate services,
within the operating territory of

CONSOLIDATED COMMUNICATIONS COMPANIES

offered under Tariff F.C.C. NO. 4
in the State of Illinois and issuing carrier

Consolidated Communications of Illinois

This tariff cancels Illinois Consolidated Telephone Company Tariff F.C.C. No. 3 in its entirety.

ISSUED:

Vice President, Regulatory and Public Policy
CONSOLIDATED COMMUNICATIONS COMPANIES Company
121 South 17th Street
Mattoon, Illinois 61938

EFFECTIVE: