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TRANSMITTAL No. 36

Secretary, Federal Communications Commission
Washington, DC 20554
ATTN: Wireline Competition Bureau

The accompanying tariff material, issued by Business Telecom, Inc. d/b/a EarthLink Business and bearing Tariff FCC No. 7, effective July 30, 2016, is sent to you for filing in compliance with the requirements of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. This filing, made on fifteen (15) days' notice, revises switched access rates to implement the fifth phase of intercarrier compensation transition in compliance with the Federal Communications Commission Report and Order in WC Docket No. 10-90, *et. al.*, as revised in FCC No. 11-161. It also removes references to Pennsylvania and Texas service areas. Finally it reflects the change in service provider in Florida from Verizon to Frontier as well as minor text change to the Check Sheet.

This filing consists of tariff pages indicated by the check sheet(s) listed below:

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This transmittal letter and associated attachments are being filed electronically today via the Federal Communications Commission's Electronic Tariff Filing System (ETFS). Payment in the amount of \$910.00 has been electronically transmitted to the U.S. Bank in St. Louis, Missouri in accordance with the fee program procedures.

Supporting material is not required with this filing. Petitions pertaining to this filing may be served in person or by facsimile to:

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Any questions you may have regarding this filing should be directed to my attention at 407-740-3001 or via email to tforte@tminc.com.

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Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

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