

NEVADA BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY (NBTC)
DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION
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TRANSMITTAL NO. 302

PURPOSE

The purpose of this transmittal is to facilitate the transition to an all-Internet Protocol (“IP”) network by discontinuing (on a grandfathered basis) the longest term lengths for certain legacy TDM services.

DESCRIPTION

NBTC makes this filing to facilitate the transition of its network to an all-IP network.

Technology transitions are challenging and industry experience teaches that large-scale customer migrations take time and proper planning. NBTC cannot begin to move away from the legacy services as long as customers are continuing to establish, extend or renew commitments that run well beyond 2020. For this reason, NBTC can no longer justify a generally available tariff offering of 5- and 7-year term plans that would commit NBTC to maintaining legacy TDM networks well into the next decade. Customers purchasing from these tariffs today and in the future would, by the terms of those tariffs, have circuits committed until at least 2022 and 2024, respectively.

Accordingly, in this filing NBTC is modifying its tariffs to grandfather these 5- and 7-year term plans for legacy TDM-based services. For the DS1 Term Payment Plan (DS1 TPP), NBTC is grandfathering 5- and 7-year terms, with 1-, 2-, and 3-year terms continuing to be available. For DS3 High Capacity Service, NBTC is grandfathering 5-year term plans, with 1- and 3-year terms

continuing to be available. Monthly rates will continue to be available to customers for the aforementioned services.

Upon the effective date of the tariff filing, NBTC customers will no longer be able to purchase *new* term plans longer than 3 years for DS-1 and DS-3 services. Customers with existing circuits will continue to receive service until the grandfathered term plans have expired.

However, a customer may not establish new grandfathered term plans for either new or existing circuits. In addition, NBTC is eliminating renewal, extension and conversion options for the grandfathered term plans and customers may not select any of the grandfathered term plans when committing any service to a new term plan.

PRICE CAP COMPLIANCE

TRP

NBTC is grandfathering certain term lengths associated with the DS1 TPP and DS3 High Capacity Service. There is no price cap revenue impact for the grandfathering. The API remains below the PCI and all SBIs are below the associated SBI Upper Limits, as indicated on the IND-1 form of the Tariff Review Plan.