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Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20554

Attention: Wireline Competition Bureau

The accompanying tariff material, issued on behalf of the National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc. (NECA) bearing Tariff F.C.C. No. 5, Access Service, is sent to you for filing, in compliance with the Communications Act of 1934, as amended.

The filing, to become effective October 3, 2017, consists of tariff pages as indicated on the following check sheet:

Tariff F.C.C. No. 5

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This filing increases the Federal Universal Service Charge (FUSC) Surcharge Factors to reflect the updated universal service contribution factor for the Fourth Quarter 2017 based on the Office of Managing Director's Public Notice.<sup>1</sup>

Pursuant to the FCC's rules<sup>2</sup> for companies accepting Alternative Connect America Cost Model or Alaska Plan universal support service, this filing reduces certain Residence End User Common Line (EUCL), Single Line Business (EUCL), Integrated Services Digital Network (ISDN) Basic Rate Interface Line Port, ISDN Primary Rate Interface Line Port, DS1 Line Port and Surcharge for Special Access Service rates for Hiawatha Telephone Company (SAC 310713), Midway Telephone Company (SAC 310711) and Ontonagon County Telephone Company (SAC 310717).

This filing introduces company-specific Consumer Broadband Only Loop (CBOL) Charges in Section 17.9 for Triotel Communications, Inc. – McCook (SAC 391669) and Triotel Communications, Inc. – Tri-County (SAC 391682).

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<sup>1</sup> See Proposed Fourth Quarter 2017 Universal Service Contribution Factor, CC Docket No. 96-45, Public Notice, DA 17-884 (rel. September 12, 2017).

<sup>2</sup> 47 CFR §§ 54.311 and 54.306.

This filing revises Section 17.9 CBOL Charge to remove the following telephone companies based on their decision to permissively detariff their CBOL charges as reflected in the companies' detariffing notices filed with the Commission in the CC Docket No. 02-33 proceeding:

<u>Company Name</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Study Area Code</u>
Arlington Telephone Company	NE	371517
Eastern Nebraska Tel. Co.	NE	371542
Holway Telephone Company	MO	421929
KLM Telephone Company	MO	421900
Rock County Tel. Co.	NE	371586
The Blair Telephone Company	NE	371524

This filing also revises Section 17.9 CBOL Charge to remove The North-Eastern Pennsylvania Telephone Company (SAC 170191) based on the company's GN Docket No. 14-28 private carriage notice filed with the Commission on August 2, 2017.

Updated Tariff Review Plan CAF ICC and CAF BLS data reflecting the impact of the CBOL rate changes being proposed under Transmittal No. 1527 is being transmitted today via the Commission's Electronic Tariff Filing System (ETFS) as an amendment to Transmittal No. 1519.

In addition, this filing changes the A/SDSL Voice-Data rate band assignment for Citizens Tel. Co. of Hammond, New York, Inc. (SAC 150081) as indicated in the proposed revision to Section 17.6 (DSL Access Services Availability). NECA projects there will be no change in the forecasted special access pool net revenues for the remainder of the 2017/2018 tariff test period<sup>3</sup> as a result of the proposed rate band assignment change. Once the proposed revision becomes effective, the company will bill its customers at the tariff rates associated with the proposed rate band. NECA will monitor the company's reported demand and revenues for the affected service. The company will be required to report revenues to the pool at the higher rate band assigned by NECA in the *2017 Annual Filing* if it is determined the company's decision to lower its rate band will have a negative impact on pool earnings.

This filing reassigns Helix Telephone Company's (SAC 532376) A/SDSL Data-Only rate band from 34 to 1 as reflected in Section 17.6 (DSL Access Services Availability). Lastly, this filing makes additions and miscellaneous changes to the company listings in the Title Pages and Optional Rate Plan Availability sections.

In compliance with Section 61.14 of the Commission's Rules, the transmittal, associated files, required Form 159 and \$925.00 filing fee are being transmitted electronically today via ETFS.

All correspondence and inquiries concerning this filing should be directed to me at the above address or faxed to 973-599-6612.

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Attachments

Tariff Pages (22)

Supporting Documentation

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<sup>3</sup> See National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc. Tariff F.C.C. No. 5, Transmittal No. 1519 filed on June 16, 2017 (*2017 Annual Filing*), Volume 5, Exhibit 9, Workpaper 15.

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