

April 11, 2018

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under Section 204(a)(3) of the Communications Act**

Birch Telecom of the South, LLC  
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FRN: 0004-31-9299  
TRANSMITTAL No. 1

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

The accompanying tariff material, issued by Birch Telecom of the South, LLC ("Company"), and bearing Tariff FCC No. 1, effective April 26, 2018, 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, replaces Tariff FCC No. 1 issued by Birch Communications, Inc. for the issuing carrier and listed concurring carriers. The rules regulations and rates are identical to those found in the tariff that it is replacing, except for non-substantive organizational changes, correction of section numbers as necessary, elimination of any blank pages and sequential numbering of pages.

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

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The tariff includes the following Concurring Carriers and pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §61.131 61.136 Concurrence statements for each of these companies are provided as supporting documentation:

Ionex Communications, LLC  
Ionex Communications North, LLC  
Ionex Communications South, LLC  
Birch Telecom of the West, LLC  
Birch Telecom of the Great Lakes, LLC  
Birch Communications of the Northeast, LLC  
Birch Communications of Virginia, Inc.

Also included with this filing are the tariff revision pages reflecting the cancellation of the existing tariff, effective April 26, 2018.

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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 \$925.00 has been electronically transmitted to the U.S. Bank in St. Louis, Missouri in accordance with the fee program procedures. Other than the Concurrences that are included, 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 407-740-3006 or via email to [croesel@tminc.com](mailto:croesel@tminc.com). Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

/s/ Carey Roesel

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