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FRN: 0010155398
TRANSMITTAL No. 96

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, DC 20554
ATTN: Wireline Competition Bureau

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Consolidated Communications hereby submits revisions to FCC Tariff No. 6. This information is being filed in accordance with the Communications Act of 1934, as amended and Sections 61.41 through 61.50 of the Commission's Rules.

The FCC Registration Number for Consolidated is 0010155398. Consolidated Communications is issuing this filing on behalf of the issuing carrier as listed on **Exhibit A**.

This material is being filed on fifteen (15) days' notice and scheduled to become effective on October 1, 2019, consisting of tariff pages as indicated on the following check sheet:

FCC Tariff No. 6

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Consolidated Communications Companies hereby submits the Mid-Year Access Filing, tariff pages and supporting data for the issuing carrier's contained above referenced tariff. This information is being filed in accordance with the Commission's Price Cap Rules and USF/ICC Transformation Order. This filing also revises the fourth quarter 2019 universal service fund factor to 25.0%, pursuant to Public Notice, DA 19-910, CC Docket 96-45, released September 12, 2019.

In addition to the change referenced above, this filing combines Rate Bands A and B into one rate band as described in the support material.

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 \$960.00 has been electronically transmitted to the U.S. Bank in St. Louis, Missouri in accordance with the fee program procedures.

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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 407-740-3031 or via email to Sthomas@inteserra.com. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

/s/Sharon Thomas

Sharon Thomas
Consultant

Enclosures

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Exhibit A
Issuing Carrier – FRN Number

FCC Tariff No. 6

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