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Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
45 L Street, N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Attention: Wireline Competition Bureau

Re: Alaska Communications Systems, Inc.
2023 Mid-Year Access Charge Tariff Filing

Dear Ms. Dortch:

The accompanying tariff material, issued on behalf of Alaska Communications Systems, Inc. (“ACS”) on behalf of its incumbent local exchange carrier subsidiaries, and bearing ACS Companies Tariff F.C.C. No. 1, is sent to you in compliance with the requirements of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended.

This filing, to become effective October 1, 2023, on 16 days’ notice under the Commission’s streamlined tariff procedures, consists of tariff pages as indicated on the following check sheets:

<u>Tariff F.C.C. No.</u>	<u>Check Sheet No.</u>
1	90 st Revised Page 1
1	32 rd Revised Page 1.2

This filing proposes tariff revisions to implement exogenous cost adjustments to reflect changes in the Telecommunications Relay Service (“TRS”) carrier contribution factor, the North American Numbering Plan Administration (“NANPA”) contribution factor, and the annual regulatory fee for Interstate Telecommunications Service Providers (“ITSP”). A Description and Justification, supporting exhibits, and a certification are provided as part of this submission.

In accordance with the requirements of Section 61.21(a)(3) of the Commission’s rules, the FCC Registration Number of the filing entities are shown below:

ACS of Anchorage, LLC	0022-3898-29
ACS of Fairbanks, LLC	0022-3898-11

ACS of Alaska, LLC (Juneau and Greatland study areas) 0022-3895-48
ACS of the Northland, LLC (Glacier State and Sitka study areas) 0022-3895-55

On June 1, 2023, the Commission issued a Public Notice establishing a Protective Order to govern the filing and review of Confidential Information (as defined in the Protective Order) that may be contained in the 2023 Annual Access Charge Tariff Filings.¹ The ACS Companies have determined that this Filing contains such Confidential Information, which has been redacted from the Public Version of the Filing. Please restrict access to this Confidential Version of the Filing, as described in the Commission's Protective Order.

This filing also proposes tariff revisions to reflect the change in the Federal Universal Service Fund Contribution Factor for the 4th Quarter of 2023, pursuant to the Commission's Public Notice, "Proposed Fourth Quarter 2023 Universal Service Contribution Factor, CC Docket No. 96-45," DA 23-843 (rel. Sept. 13, 2023). Specifically, ACS proposes to increase its charge to recover its Federal Universal Service Fund contributions to reflect the change in the FCC's factor from 29.2% to 34.5%, effective October 1, 2023.

This filing has been submitted electronically through the Commission's Electronic Tariff Filing System ("ETFS"), in accordance with Section 61.13(b) of the Commission's rules and regulations. 47 C.F.R. § 61.13(b). The appropriate filing fee (\$1,040.00; fee type code "CQK") is being submitted electronically today, in accordance with Section 61.14(b) of the Commission's rules. *Id.* at § 61.14(b).

All correspondence and inquiries in connection with this filing should be directed to Lisa Phillips at 907-297-3130 or by email at lisa.phillips@acsalaska.com

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Lisa Phillips

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¹ Public Notice, *Wireline Competition Bureau Announces Procedures for Obtaining Confidential Information for 2023 Annual Access Charge Tariff Filings*, WC Docket No. 23-9, DA 23-470 (released June 1, 2023).