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**The Chillicothe Telephone Company, Inc.
P. O. Box 480
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June 17, 2002

Transmittal No. 71
(Filing Fee Enclosed)

Marlene H. Dortsch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W. – TW-A325
Washington, D.C. 20554

Attention: Common Carrier Bureau

Re: 2002 ANNUAL ACCESS CHARGE TARIFF FILING

Dear Ms. Dortsch:

The accompanying tariff materials issued by The Chillicothe Telephone Company, Inc. (Chillicothe) (**FRN #0005-0973-81**), and bearing FCC No. 1, effective July 2, 2002, are sent to you in compliance with the requirements of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended and pursuant to the Commission's Rules.

The tariff filing is accompanied by Section 61.38 cost support and a Tariff Review Plan.

As required by Section 61.32 of the Rules, the original of this transmittal letter, plus the Commission's filing fee of six hundred and fifty-five dollars is being filed this date with the Mellon Bank in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. In addition, official and courtesy copies of this filing have been provided in accordance with the Commission's Order, DA 02-12, released April 26, 2002, concerning annual access charge tariff filings.

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Personal or facsimile service of petitions under Section 1.773(a)(4) of the Commission's Rules should be directed to Chillicothe's counsel whose facsimile number is (202) 828-5568, whose e-mail address is gjd@bloostonlaw.com and whose service address and name are given below.

Respectfully Submitted,
**The Chillicothe Telephone
Company, Inc.**

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