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Communications Act and becomes effective 7 days after filing.**

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(Filing Fee Enclosed)

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

Attention: Wireline Competition Bureau

Re: 2003 ANNUAL ACCESS CHARGE TARIFF FILING

Dear Ms. Dortch:

The accompanying tariff materials issued by The Chillicothe Telephone Company, Inc. (Chillicothe) (**FRN #0005-0973-81**), and bearing FCC No. 1, effective September 1, 2003, 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 purpose of this filing is to reduce the nonrecurring charge for all of the basic service packages for Chillicothe's Asymmetrical Digital Subscriber Line Access Service, and to reduce the monthly rates for the 384 Kbps, 768 Kbps and 1.5 Mbps packages. This tariff filing is accompanied by Section 61.38 cost support.

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 ninety-five dollars (\$695.00) is being filed this date with the Mellon Bank in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Respectfully submitted,
The Chillicothe Telephone Company, Inc.

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