

DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION
John Staurulakis, Inc. Tariff F.C.C. No. 1
Transmittal No. 96
Farmers Telephone Cooperative, Inc. (Farmers) (SC)
FRN #0001-8870-25

Farmers Telephone Cooperative, Inc. (Farmers), through its consultant John Staurulakis, Inc. (JSI) hereby provides a Description and Justification for its individual rates proposed under Transmittal No. 96 of the John Staurulakis, Inc. Tariff F.C.C. No. 1 (JSI Tariff). (Farmers) is an Issuing Carrier of the JSI Tariff.

Description of Filing

The accompanying revised tariff material has been filed by JSI in order to comply with the rules and regulations of the Federal Communications Commission (Commission) with respect to annual access charge filings.

The JSI Tariff F.C.C. No. 1 governs the provision by (Farmers) of interstate Switched Access, Special Access and Miscellaneous Services. Additionally, (Farmers) files its Multiline End User Common Line (EUCL) rate in JSI Tariff No. 1. The instant filing revises (Farmers)'s rates for these services.

Justification for Cost Support and Rate Development

The entire cost support data associated with this filing is contained in one volume including the D&J and Attachments #1-9 included comprising this D&J document (Adobe Acrobat PDF). The Certification of the cost support data for this filing is shown in Attachment #10 included separately. All required Tariff Review Plan Schedules (TRP Schedules) are included with the cost support material in accordance with the Commission's April 19, 2004 release entitled In the Matter of Material to be Filed in Support of 2004 Annual Access Charge Tariff Filings, Tariff Review Plans, DA 04-1048 (2004 TRP Order), together with the June 10, 2004 release entitled In the Matter of Material to be Filed in Support of 2004 Annual Access Charge Tariff Filings, Tariff Review Plans, Errata, DA 04-1700 (2004 TRP Errata).

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In accordance with Section 61.38(b)(1)(ii) of the Commission’s rules and regulations, a projection of (Farmers)’s costs has been made for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005. The costs for the twelve (12) month period ending June 30, 2005 have been based on financial estimates and projections of (Farmers), and are summarized as follows:

Summary Development of Traffic Sensitive Revenue
RequirementAttachment #1
Part 69 - Access Charge DevelopmentAttachment #2
Part 36 – Separations of CostsAttachment #3
Unseparated Cost InformationAttachment #4

In accordance with Section 61.38(b)(1)(i) of the Commission’s rules and regulations, attached is a cost of service study for the most recent twelve (12) month period ending December 31, 2003, identified as follows:

Summary Development of Traffic Sensitive Revenue
RequirementAttachment #5
Part 69 - Access Charge DevelopmentAttachment #6
Part 36 – Separations of Costs.....Attachment #7
Unseparated Cost Information.....Attachment #8