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March 1, 2006

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20554

Attention: Wireline Competition Bureau

**CC Docket No. 02-33**

**RE: Notification of Discontinuance of Common-Carriage Tariffed Wireline Broadband Internet Access Service (WBIAS) and Initiation of Provision on a Permissive Detariffed Common-Carriage Basis by:**

**Farmers Telephone Cooperative, Inc. SAC 240520 FRN No. 0001-8870-25**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

John Staurulakis, Inc. (JSI), on behalf of Farmers Telephone Cooperative, Inc. (Company), an issuing carrier for JSI Tariff F.C.C. No. 1, respectfully files the attached notice pursuant to the *Wireline Broadband Order* of the intent of the Company to discontinue its Wireline Broadband Internet Access Service (WBIAS) offerings under JSI Tariff F.C.C. No. 1 effective April 1, 2006. Upon discontinuance of the tariffed offerings, the Company will provide WBIAS on a common-carriage non-tariffed basis. See *Appropriate Framework for Broadband Access to the Internet over Wireline Facilities, Universal Service Obligations of Broadband Providers*, CC Docket No. 02-33, WC Docket No. 05-271, Report and Order and Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 20 FCC Rcd 14853 (2005), FCC 05-150 (Rel. Sept. 23, 2005), (*Wireline Broadband Order*).

Any questions regarding the notice may be directed to me at the address and telephone number listed above or by email at [sduncan@jsitel.com](mailto:sduncan@jsitel.com).

Sincerely,

Scott Duncan  
Staff Director-Regulatory Affairs

Attachment

cc: Farmers Telephone Cooperative, Inc.  
Special Assistant for Telecommunications at the Department of Defense  
The Honorable Mark Sanford, Governor of South Carolina  
Public Service Commission of South Carolina  
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**Notice of Discontinuance of Permissive Detariffing of  
Wireline Broadband Internet Access Transmission Service  
Effective April 1, 2006**

**FARMERS TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC. – OPERATING IN SOUTH CAROLINA**  
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**CC Docket No. 02-33**

March 1, 2006

Farmers Telephone Cooperative, Inc. (“Company”) hereby provides notice that it plans to terminate provision of wireline broadband Internet access service (WBIAS) on a tariffed basis effective April 1, 2006 at which time it plans to offer permissive detariffed WBIAS on a Title II common-carriage basis pursuant to paragraph 94 of the Federal Communications Commission’s *Wireline Broadband Order*.<sup>1</sup> The Company currently offers WBIAS through Asymmetrical Digital Subscriber Line (“ADSL”) Access Service under John Staurulakis, Inc. (“JSI”) Tariff F.C.C. No. 1, for which the Company is an issuing carrier.

In order to effect the permissive detariffing, JSI plans to make a filing with the Federal Communications Commission on March 17, 2006 on 15-day notice to cancel the Company’s ADSL Access Service offerings.

**Impact on Customers**

The only customer for the Company’s WBIAS is the nonregulated Internet Service Provider (“ISP”) operation of the Company. The nonregulated operation of the Company purchases WBIAS for use as a component in its broadband Internet service sold to consumers and business customers. The discontinuance of the tariffed offering of WBIAS will have no effect on the end user service provided by Company.

**Future Availability of WBIAS on a Permissive-Detariffed Common Carriage Basis**

The Company will continue to make WBIAS available on a common-carriage basis through posting of rates, terms and conditions on its Internet web-site in a manner similar to that required for interstate and international interexchange services under Section 42.10 of the FCC’s rules (47 C.F.R. § 42.10). The initial rates will be those offered under tariff. Any change in rates, terms and conditions will be made on fifteen-day advance notice to customers and shall apply to both the affiliates and non-affiliates on a non-discriminatory basis. Cost allocations related to WBIAS will continue to be handled as under the *status quo*.

Following is the timeline for permissive detariffing.

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<sup>1</sup> See *Appropriate Framework for Broadband Access to the Internet over Wireline Facilities, Universal Service Obligations of Broadband Providers*, CC Docket No. 02-33, WC Docket No. 05-271, Report and Order and Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 20 FCC Rcd 14853 (2005), FCC 05-150 (Rel. Sept. 23, 2005), (*Wireline Broadband Order*).

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***OPERATING IN SOUTH CAROLINA***

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**WBIAS DETARIFFING TIMELINE**

**March 1, 2006**

30-Day Notice filed with following:

Federal Communications Commission (under CC Docket No. 02-33).  
Special Assistant for Telecommunications at the Department of Defense  
The Honorable Mark Sanford, Governor of South Carolina  
Public Service Commission of South Carolina  
South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff

**March 1, 2006**

Notice to customers.

As indicated above, the only customer for the Company's wireline broadband Internet access service (WBIAS) is the nonregulated ISP operation of the Company. The 30-day notice to the nonregulated ISP division of the Company will be provided by interoffice memorandum cover with this notice attached.

**March 17, 2006**

Expected filing by John Staurulakis, Inc. ("JSI"), on 15-day notice, of a tariff transmittal to remove the Company's ADSL Access Service offerings from JSI Tariff F.C.C. No. 1 effective April 1, 2006.

**April 1, 2006**

Planned tariff filing to become effective. Beginning on this date the Company will no longer offer WBIAS under JSI Tariff F.C.C. No. 1.

**April 1, 2006 Forward**

WBIAS available on common-carriage permissive detariffed basis under rates, terms and conditions posted at [www.ftc-i.net](http://www.ftc-i.net).

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the foregoing Notification of Discontinuance of Common Carrier Wireline Broadband Internet Access Service was served this 1st day of March, 2006, by mailing true and correct copies thereof, postage prepaid, to the following persons:

Secretary of Defense  
Attn: Special Assistant for Telecommunications  
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Scott Duncan



**Federal Communications Commission**

The FCC Acknowledges Receipt of Comments From ...  
**Farmers Telephone Cooperative, Inc.**  
...and Thank You for Your Comments

Your Confirmation Number is: **'200631287413'**

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