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## INDIANA UTILITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

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IN THE MATTER OF AN ORDER	)		
APPROVING UTILITY ARTICLES	)	APPROVED:	AUG 1 0 2016
PURSUANT TO 170 IAC 1-6.	)		Mod Y a Fair

The Indiana Administrative Code provides for Thirty-Day Administrative Filing Procedures and Guidelines pursuant to the authority of Ind. Code 8-1-1-3 and Ind. Code 8-1-2-42. The thirty-day filing process is available for certain routine and non-controversial requests to facilitate expedited consideration of these matters by the Commission. The rule sets forth the requirements for the thirty-day administrative filings.

The thirty-day filings received pursuant to 170 IAC 1-6 and ripe for Commission action are attached hereto and collectively referred to as the Utility Articles. There are no controversial filings in the Utility Articles approved today.

Pursuant to the rule, the Commission Technical Divisions have submitted their recommendations to the Commission. Therefore, the Commission finds that the requirements of 170 IAC 1-6 have been met and that the Utility Articles attached are hereby approved.

## HUSTON, WEBER, AND ZIEGNER CONCUR; STEPHAN ABSENT:

APPROVED:

AUG 1 0 2016

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the Order as approved.

Mary M. Becerra

Secretary of the Commission

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## **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Commission Chair Carol A. Stephan

Commissioners Weber, Ziegner and Huston

FROM:

**Commission Technical Divisions** 

DATE:

August 4, 2016

RE:

30-Day Utility Articles for Conference on Wednesday August 10, 2016 @ 2:00 p.m.

The following thirty-day filings have been submitted to the Commission. Each item was reviewed by the appropriate Commission Technical Divisions and all regulations were met in accordance with 170 IAC 1-6 Thirty-Day Administrative Filing Procedures and Guidelines. Therefore, the following filings listed below and attached hereto are recommended to be considered by the Commission at the next conference:

Attachment Number	30-Day Filing No.	Name of Utility Company	Type of Request	Date Received
1	3455	Jackson County Water Utility, Inc.	The utility is proposing language changes to its tariff.	5/24/2016
2	3455	Hancock Rural Telephone Corporation ("NineStar")	Establish a complete baseline Intrastate Access Tariff.	6/21/2016
3	3456	Smithville Communications, Inc.	Establish a complete baseline Intrastate Access Tariff.	6/21/2016

Submitted By: Curt Gassert

Director, Water/Sewer Division

Filing Party:

Jackson County Water Utility, Inc.

**30-Day Filing ID No.:** 

3447

**Date Filed:** 

May 24, 2016

Filed Pursuant To:

170 IAC 1-6

Request:

The utility is proposing language changes to its tariff.

**Customer Impact:** 

See Below.

**Tariff Pages Affected:** 

Pages 1, 3 and 4 were modified. Page 5 was eliminated.

Staff Recommendations: Requirements met. Recommend approval.

**Tariff Revisions:** 

Page 1: Clarifies wholesale customer billing arrangements.

Page 3: Expands the applicability of the trip charge to meter

service turn-ons and turn-offs for existing customers in Sec. (g)

Meter Fees.

Page 4: Eliminates cash payments to field personnel in Sec. (i)

Disconnection/Reconnection Charge. Eliminates Sec. (1) General Service Charge. Restricts application of the "Service" Outside of Business Hours Charge" only to services required by

utility personnel.

Page 5: Eliminates Sec. (o) Credit/Debit Card Payment Fees.

Submitted By: Pamela D. Taber

Director, Communications Division

Filing Party: Hancock Rural Telephone Corporation d/b/a NineStar Connect

("NineStar")

30-Day Filing ID No.:

3455 (request for final approval)

Date Filed:

June 21, 2016

**Filed Pursuant To:** 

IC 8-1-2-88.6; 170 IAC 1-6; IURC Cause No. 44004; and the FCC's

USF/ICC Transformation Order.<sup>1</sup>

**Request:** Filing # 3455, a new (initial) intrastate switched and special access

tariff (Tariff I.U.R.C. No. 2) filed by Hancock Rural Telephone Corporation d/b/a NineStar Connect("NineStar"), received temporary approval at the IURC conference on June 29, 2016, pursuant to IC 8-1-2-113 and as permitted under IC 8-1-2-42(a). The underlying tariff went into effect on July 1. With the instant request, Staff is seeking final approval for NineStar's initial

intrastate access tariff, as originally filed on June 21.

Retail Customer Impact: N/A

**Tariff Page(s) Affected:** Tariff I.U.R.C. No. 2 – Original Page 1; Original Pages 2 – 9;

Original CS Pages 1 - 24

Staff Recommendations: Requirements in 170 IAC 1-6 and IURC Cause No. 44004 were met.

Staff recommends final approval.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Connect America Fund et al., WC Docket No. 10-90 et al., Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (FCC 11-161, rel. Nov. 18, 2011).

Submitted By: Pamela D. Taber

Director, Communications Division

Filing Party: Smithville Communications, Inc. ("Smithville")

**30-Day Filing ID No.:** 3456 (request for final approval)

Date Filed: June 21, 2016

Filed Pursuant To: IC 8-1-2-88.6; 170 IAC 1-6; IURC Cause No. 44004; and the FCC's

USF/ICC Transformation Order.<sup>1</sup>

**Request:** Filing # 3456, a new (initial) intrastate switched and special access

tariff (Tariff I.U.R.C. No. 3) filed by Smithville Communications, Inc. ("Smithville"), received temporary approval at the IURC conference on June 29, 2016, pursuant to IC 8-1-2-113 and as permitted under IC 8-1-2-42(a). The underlying tariff went into effect on July 1. With the instant request, Staff is seeking final approval for Smithville's initial intrastate access tariff, as originally

filed on June 21.

Retail Customer Impact: N/A

**Tariff Page(s) Affected:** Tariff I.U.R.C. No. 3 – Original Pages 1 & 2

**Staff Recommendations:** Requirements in 170 IAC 1-6 and IURC Cause No. 44004 were met.

Staff recommends final approval.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Connect America Fund et al., WC Docket No. 10-90 et al., Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (FCC 11-161, rel. Nov. 18, 2011).