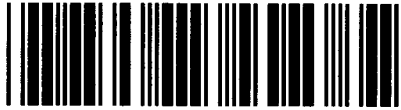


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APPLICATION OF TRANSTELCO,
INC. FOR WAIVER TO APPLY SAFE-
HARBOR PERCENTAGE TO
CALCULATE TEXAS UNIVERSAL
SERVICE FUND (TUSF)
ASSESSMENT PURSUANT TO
SUBST. R. §26.420(f)

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PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF TEXAS

**ORDER NO. 1
REQUESTING COMMENT REGARDING APPLICATION, NOTICE, AND
PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE**

I. Background

On July 2, 2013, TRANSTELCO, Inc. (Applicant) filed an application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) for a permanent waiver to apply the safe-harbor percentage to calculate Texas Universal Service Fund (TUSF) assessment pursuant to P.U.C. SUBST. R. 26.420(f)(3)(B). Applicant provides commercial Voice over Internet Protocol services (VoIP). Applicant has elected to use the safe-harbor percentage approved by the Commission for its classification of telecommunications service provided.

Pursuant to P.U.C. SUBST. R. 26.420(f)(3)(B), a telecommunications provider that is unable to calculate actual intrastate telecommunications services receipts by January 1, 2007, may file waiver requests to use safe-harbor percentages. The Commission may grant for good cause, the modification or waiver of the requirement to allow the telecommunications provider to calculate all or some of its intrastate taxable telephone communications receipts using the relevant commission-ordered safe-harbor percentage.

II. Applicant's Request

Applicant seeks Commission approval to utilize this methodology for determining its TUSF assessments. Applicant stated that as VoIP provider it is unable to identify the actual intrastate telecommunications services utilized by its customers. Because actual jurisdictional billing data is not currently produced or maintained, Applicant indicated it has no method to determine assessable TUSF intrastate receipts other than by the use of the safe harbor

percentage. Applicant requests that the Commission grant it a permanent waiver under P.U.C. SUBST. R. 26.420(f)(3)(B)(ii).

III. Notice

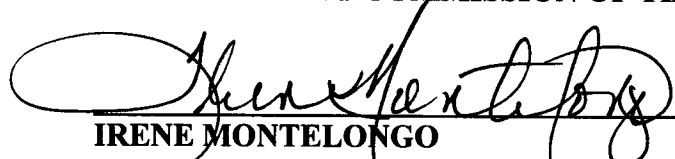
Notice of the application will be submitted to the *Texas Register* for publication on July 19, 2013. Persons wishing to comment on the action sought or intervene should contact the Commission by July 29, 2013.

IV. Staff Response Regarding Application and Proposed Procedural Schedule.

On or before **July 16, 2013**, Commission Staff shall, and interested parties may, file comments regarding the application, proposed notice, and a proposed procedural schedule for the processing of this application.

SIGNED AT AUSTIN, TEXAS the 8th day of July 2013.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS


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