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**TO:** All Interested Parties  
**FROM:** Stephen Mendoza, Rate Regulation Division  
**DATE:** June 12, 2015  
**RE:** **Control Number 46060** – *Public Notice of Non Rate-of-Return Telecommunications Carriers Filing Requirements in Order to Conform to New Intercarrier Compensation Reform Pursuant to FCC Order 11-161 -- Phase V*

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On June 14, 2016, the Rate Regulation Division requested and received a control number for the purpose of consolidating the filings of incumbent and competitive local exchange companies to file tariff revisions in compliance with the Federal Communications Commission (“FCC”) Order 1-161 (“FCC 11-161”).<sup>1</sup> In its Report and Order, the FCC adopted a transitional intercarrier compensation restructuring framework for both intrastate and interstate telecommunications traffic exchanged with a local exchange carrier, which will ultimately result in bill and keep.

During the fourth phase of the intercarrier compensation restructuring, the FCC directed that for price cap carriers and certain competitive local exchange carriers (CLECs), the terminating switched end office reciprocal compensation rates be reduced to \$0.0007 by July 1, 2016.<sup>2</sup>

Questions concerning this memorandum should be referred to Stephen Mendoza, Senior Rate Analyst, Rate Regulation Division at 512-936-7394.

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<sup>1</sup> *In the Matter of Connect America Fund, A National Broadband Plan for Our Future, Establishing Just and Reasonable Rates for Local Exchange Carriers, High-Cost Universal Service Support, Developing a Unified Intercarrier Compensation Regime, Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, Lifeline and Link-Up, Universal Service Reform – Mobility Fund*, WC Docket No. 10-90, GN Docket No. 09-51, WC Docket No. 07-135, WC Docket No. 05-337, CC Docket No. 01-92, CC Docket No. 96-45, WC Docket No. 03-109, WT Docket No. 10-208, Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, FCC 11-161 (rel. Nov. 18, 2011) (*USF/ICC Transformation Order*).

<sup>2</sup> For description of the previous year reduction, see P.U.C. Control No. 44832 - *Public Notice of Non Rate-of-Return Telecommunications Carriers Filing Requirements in Order to Conform to New Intercarrier Compensation Reform Pursuant to FCC Order 11-161 -- Phase IV*.