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1701 N. Congress Ave.
Austin, Texas 78711

Re: Tariff Control No. **47108** Informational Notice of Big Bend Telephone Company, Inc. to Offer a New Service Pursuant to 16 T.A.C. § 26.228

Dear Filing Clerk:

On behalf of Big Bend Telephone Company, Inc. ("Big Bend" or "Company"), I have attached an original and ten (10) copies of Big Bend's informational notice to offer Message Intercept service. Message Intercept is an optional new service that will be available in all the Company's exchanges.

Please file-stamp the additional copies and return them to me by way of our assistant. Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated. You may direct any correspondence or questions to me at the above-listed address and telephone number.

Sincerely,

Lisa A. McLaughlin
lmclaughlin@jsitel.com
Authorized Representative for
Big Bend Telephone Company, Inc.

Enclosures

cc: Ms. Lauren Sanders, Vice President - Commercial
Big Bend Telephone Company, Inc.

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INFORMATIONAL NOTICE OF BIG § PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
BEND TELEPHONE COMPANY, §
INC. TO OFFER NEW SERVICES § OF
PURSUANT TO 16 T.A.C. § 26.228 § TEXAS

Big Bend Telephone Company, Inc. ("Big Bend" or "Company"), pursuant to 16 T.A.C. § 26.228, states as follows:

(i) **Name of Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier ("ILEC"):**

Big Bend Telephone Company, Inc.

(ii) **PURA Chapter Under which the ILEC Operates:**

Big Bend is regulated by the Public Utility Commission of Texas ("PUC" or "Commission") under the terms and conditions of the Section 52 of the Public Utility Regulatory Act.

(iii) **Date of Submission:**

Big Bend submits this informational notice on April 28, 2017.

(iv) **Effective Date:**

The effective date of the attached tariffs is May 8, 2017 which is no earlier than ten (10) days from the filing submission.

(v) **Proposed Tariff Pages:**

See Attachment A following this notice.

(vi) **Proposed Implementation Date:**

Big Bend proposes the implementation date be the same as the above effective date.

(vii) **Affidavit of Notice:**

An Affidavit of Notice is provided herein as Attachment B.

(viii) **Type of Filing:**

This informational filing includes a new service offering pursuant to 16 T.A.C. § 26.228(c).

(ix) **Relevant LRIC Studies and Adoption of Rates:**

Pursuant to 16 T.A.C. § 26.228(c)(4), in lieu of adopting cost studies, the Company proposes to adopt rates at or above a larger company's tariffed rates for the same service. The Company is adopting the rates charged by Texas Windstream, Inc. ("Windstream") for an equivalent service, Automatic Intercept Service. Included as Attachment C is a copy of Windstream's tariff for Automatic Intercept Service, which was approved effective October 5, 2006. Therefore, the Company maintains that its proposed rates for the new service, Message Intercept service are not preferential, prejudicial, discriminatory, predatory, or anticompetitive. Because of adopting the larger company's rates, the Company submits that the provision of LRIC studies is not applicable in this instance.

(x) **Resale Issues:**

The proposed new service offering is available to properly authorized certificated telecommunications utilities on a resale basis.

(xi) **Description of the proposed service and the rates, terms, and conditions under which the service is proposed:**

Message Intercept provides a service to subscribers who have had their phone number disconnected because they have either moved to a new location or requested a change in phone number. Dialing the subscriber's former number results in a prerecorded message which announces the new number. A detailed description of the proposed feature and the rates, terms, and conditions under which the service is proposed is included in the attached tariff sheets found in Attachment A of this application.

- (xii) **Response to the question: "Is the sum of the TELRIC-based wholesale prices of components needed for provision of the retail service at or below the retail price set forth in this filing?"**

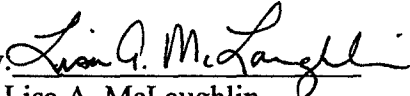
This question is not applicable to the Company.

- (xiii) **Privacy Issues:**

There are no privacy issues associated with this filing.

Respectfully submitted,

John Staurulakis, Inc.
Echelon Building II, Suite 200
9430 Research Boulevard
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By: 
Lisa A. McLaughlin
Authorized Representative for
Big Bend Telephone Company, Inc.

ATTACHMENT A
BIG BEND TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.
PROPOSED TARIFF SHEETS FOR
MESSAGE INTERCEPT SERVICE

April 28, 2017

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By: Justin Haynes
Title: President

MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES

XVIII. MESSAGE INTERCEPT SERVICE

A. General

1. Message Intercept Service provides a service to subscribers who have had their phone number disconnected because they have either moved to a new location or requested a change in phone number. Dialing the subscriber's former number results in a prerecorded message which announces the new number.
2. The rates apply to a ninety-day increment of service and can be continued for additional ninety-day time periods at the customer's discretion.
3. This service is limited to those exchanges in which facilities are available to provide the service.
4. The charges below do not apply to the following:
 - a. when provided as a result of a number change initiated by action of the Company.
 - b. when the subscriber's telephone number has been omitted from the telephone directory or is incorrect.
 - c. when provided as a result of Company-initiated actions.

B. Rates and Charges

1. Nonrecurring charge per phone number –
Initial 90 days of service: \$15.00
2. Additional 90 days of service \$12.50
3. Secondary Service Order Charge – Per the rates contained in Section 2 of this tariff.

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By: Justin Haynes
Title: President

ATTACHMENT B
AFFIDAVIT OF NOTICE

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF TRAVIS

ON THIS DAY, before me, the undersigned Notary Public, appeared Ms. McLaughlin who on her oath stated as follows:

1. My name is Lisa McLaughlin. I am employed by JSI as Consultant of Regulatory Affairs and act as the authorized agent for Big Bend Telephone Company in Alpine, Texas.
2. I am of lawful age, am authorized to make the statements herein and have personal knowledge of the facts stated within.
3. In connection with the Informational filing provided to the Commission on April 28, 2017, I hereby swear and affirm that a true and correct copy was served by facsimile distribution, hand delivery, or first class U.S. mail on the 28th day of April, 2017, to the Office of Public Utility Counsel, and, to the best of my ability, to all persons who hold a Certificate of Operating Authority within Big Bend Telephone Company's service territory or who have an effective interconnection agreement with Big Bend Telephone Company.
4. Therefore, by this affidavit, I confirm that provision of notice has been satisfied pursuant to 16 T.A.C. § 26.228 (g)(2)(D)(vii).

Lisa McLaughlin

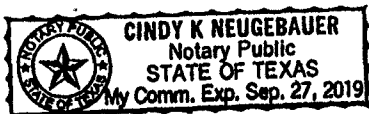
Lisa McLaughlin
Consultant – Regulatory Affairs

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO Before Me, the Undersigned authority on this the 28th day of April 2017.

Cindy K. Neugebauer

Notary Public, State of Texas

My Commission expires on: 09/27/2019



ATTACHMENT C
BIG BEND TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.
INFORMATIONAL NOTICE

Texas Windstream, Inc.
Local Exchange Tariff

40. MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES

40.3 Automatic Intercept Service

40.3.1 General

- a. Automatic Intercept Service provides a service to subscribers who have had their phone number disconnected because they have either moved to a new location or requested a change in phone number. Dialing the subscriber's former number results in a prerecorded message which announces the new number.
- b. The rates apply to a 90-day increment of service and can be continued for additional ninety day time periods at the customer's discretion.
- c. Limited to those exchanges in which facilities are available to provide the service.
- d. The charges below do not apply to the following:
 - 1. when provided as a result of a number change initiated by action of the Company.
 - 2. when the subscriber's telephone number has been omitted from the telephone directory or is incorrect.
 - 3. when provided as a result of Company-initiated actions.

40.3.2 Rates

- a. Nonrecurring charge per phone number –
Initial 90 days of service: \$15.00
- b. Additional 90 days of service: \$12.50
- c. Secondary Service Order Charge – Per the rates contained elsewhere in this tariff.