



Midwestern Telecommunications, Inc.
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Darlene Standley, Utilities Division Chief
Tennessee Regulatory Authority
460 James Robertson Parkway
Nashville, TN 37243

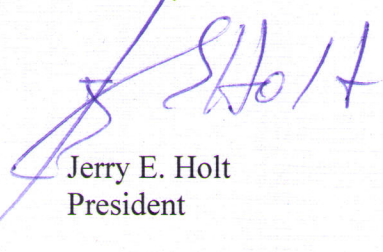
Re: Docket No. 0800078, *Application of Midwestern Telecommunications, Inc. for a Certificate to Provide Competing Local Telecommunications Services in Tennessee.*

Dear Ms. Standley,

Attached, please find the information requested in your May 20, 2008 letter. Hopefully, these answers help in the Authority's review of Midwestern Telecommunications, Inc.'s (MTI) application.

If there are any further questions or clarifications needed, I am at your disposal.

Sincerely,



Jerry E. Holt
President

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

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In the Matter of the Application of)
Midwestern Telecommunications, Inc.,)
for a Certificate of Public Convenience)
and Necessity to Offer Local Exchange,)
Access and Interexchange Services)

Docket No.

08-00078

APPLICATION OF MIDWESTERN TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC., FOR A
CERTIFICATE TO PROVIDE COMPETING LOCAL
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES

RESPONSE TO INFORMATION REQUEST DATED MAY 20, 2008

- 1) The Certificate of Authority to transact business issued by the Tennessee Secretary of State indicates the company was reinstated following administrative dissolution/revocation. Please detail how/why Midwestern Telecommunications, Inc.'s certificate to transact business in Tennessee was administratively dissolved or revoked.

In 200XXX as part of MTI's plan to transact business in Tennessee, a Certificate of Authority was obtained. Over the next few years plans changed and MTI believed operations in Tennessee would not be initiated for at least the next 5-7 years. As a result, the annual reports required by the Tennessee Secretary of State were not maintained and the Certificate was, knowingly, allowed to lapse. As part of MTI's plan to provide service in Tennessee, the certificate has been reinstated and MTI is in good standing with the Secretary of State.

- 2) In the provision of local service, will Midwestern Telecommunications, Inc. provide white page directory listings, access to 911 and E-911 emergency services, free blocking for 900/976 type calls, access to the telecommunications relay service center, Lifeline and Link-Up, and educational discounts existing on June 6, 1995?

Yes, in the provision of local service, Midwestern Telecommunications, Inc. will provide white page directory listings, access to 911 and E-911 emergency services, free blocking for 900/976 type calls, access to the telecommunications relay service center, Lifeline and Link-Up, and educational discounts existing on June 6, 1995?

- 3) Does Midwestern Telecommunications, Inc. have a complaint history in any state in which it is currently doing business

MTI has no complaint history in any state in which it is currently doing business.

- 4) Provide additional information/documentation regarding the officers of Midwestern Telecommunications, Inc. Such documentation should include background information for each officer of the company and all key management personnel, including, but not limited to, educational background including names and locations of educational institutions attended, dates of attendance, and degree(s) earned; detailed work history, including employer names and addresses, titles positions held, duties and responsibilities, achievements, dates of employment, supervisor names and contact information; and a description of relevant telecommunications and business experience and applicable skills. Also, a detailed description of the current duties and responsibilities of each officer and all key management personnel of Midwestern Telecommunications, Inc. in regard to Tennessee operations must be included.

Please see attached document labeled Exhibit I.

- 5) Provide details on any sources of funding for Tennessee operations available to Midwestern Telecommunications, Inc. including cash, loan commitments, vendor credits, letters of credit, etc.

MTI will fund initial Tennessee operations with cash on hand and ongoing operating capital derived from operating revenue in all states.

- 6) Provide a sworn statement from an officer of the company that all applicable state and federal laws and TRA rules will be adhered to.

Please see attached document labeled Exhibit II.

- 7) Please provide a \$20,000 corporate surety bond or irrevocable letter of credit, as required by Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-4-125. This bond or letter of credit will be verified by the Authority prior to consideration for authority.

Please see attached document labeled Exhibit III.

- 8) Please provide a sample bill.

Please see attached document labeled Exhibit IV.

- 9) Who is the company's registered agent for service of process in Tennessee?

*National Registered Agent, Inc.
1900 Church Street
Suite 400
Nashville, TN 37203*

EXHIBIT I

Jerry E. Holt
President & Co-CEO

Jerry Holt is the Co-Founder of MTI. Mr. Holt's background includes working in key business segments, which include Telecommunications, Finance and Legal. While employed at Citgo Refinery Mr. Holt held a key role as the lead Training Manager. In this position he was responsible for training all Citgo employees on the proper use and understanding of Telecommunications and Network Systems. It is this understanding of Telecommunications and Computers that provided the basis for MTI's entry in the Telecommunications market and has laid a solid foundation for the company's phenomenal growth. Mr. Holt's exceptional leadership and organizational skills are the catalyst that leads MTI into its continued growth and expansion.

Mr. Holt holds a B.A. in Political Science from the University of California at Berkley.

Ikechuku V. Chinwah
Co-CEO

Ikechuku Chinwah is the Co-Founder of MTI. Mr. Chinwah's background includes over fourteen years experience working in the Marketing and Retail Management sectors. While employed at the Woolworth Corporation, Mr. Chinwah worked as a Regional Manager for Foot Locker. In this capacity, Mr. Chinwah gained valuable Marketing and Customer Services skills. It is this experience that has strategically placed MTI in one of the fastest growing business segments, Telecommunications. Mr. Chinwah's keen marketing eye has secured MTI's place as the market leader in Illinois. He successfully launched an advertising and promotion program which allowed MTI to increase its' customer base by 3,557% at the end of its first year of operation.

Mr. Chinwah holds a B.S. in Biology from California State University at Los Angeles.

Patricia Thomas

CIO

Patricia Thomas is the Chief Information Officer of MTI. Prior to joining MTI, Ms. Thomas worked as a Consultant to MTI and other companies such as Ameritech, Quaker Oats, and Nabisco Brands. Ms. Thomas specializes in process engineering (work flow automation), technology integration and financial analysis. Ms. Thomas successfully implemented a case tracking system for the Georgia EEOC- Fair Housing. This system assisted in processing Fair Housing Complaints and identifies repeat offenders. Ms. Thomas also worked as a Consultant to Ameritech. In this capacity, Ms. Thomas gained valuable knowledge of Telecommunications and worked closely with new CLEC's wishing to do business in the Ameritech region. Ms. Thomas's experience with Ameritech coupled with her in-depth knowledge of systems integration, designed flexible systems, which allow MTI to respond quickly to Incumbent LEC's changing business rules and systems requirements.

Ms. Thomas holds a B. S. in Computer Information Systems from DePaul University.

Arlee Holt
Director of Operations

Arlee Holt is the Director of Operations of MTI. Prior to joining MTI, Ms. Holt served as Accounting Supervisor of Burditt & Radzius Law Firm located in Chicago, Illinois. Her duties included, but were not limited to, the maintenance of general ledgers and financial reports. She managed a team of 5. After leaving Burditt & Radzius, she worked as Accounting Director for Duff & Phelps, LLC also located in Chicago, Illinois. Ms. Holt was responsible for the supervision of tax professionals. She oversaw tax reporting, tax planning and compliance functions of the company. She had the authority for personnel actions and oversaw the day to day operations of her department. Currently, Ms. Holt's duties include accounting management, billing disputes, tax compliance and oversight, as well as asset allocation.

Ms. Holt holds a B. S. in Business Administration from Illinois State University.

EXHIBIT II

**BEFORE THE
TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE**

**APPLICATION OF MIDWESTERN
TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.
FOR A CERTIFICATE TO PROVIDE
COMPETING LOCAL TELEPHONE
SERVICES**

SWORN STATEMENT OF JERRY E. HOLT

I, Jerry E. Holt, do hereby swear as follows in support of the application of Midwestern Telecommunications, Inc. for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity as a Competing Telecommunications Services Provider to provide telecommunication services throughout the State of Tennessee.

1. All applicable state and federal laws and TRA rules will be adhered to by Midwestern Telecommunications, Inc. in the transaction of business under the Certificate sought by this application.



Jerry E. Holt
President
Midwestern Telecommunications, Inc.

Respectfully submitted this 29th day of August, 2008.

Notary Public

State of Illinois

County of Cook

My commission expires April 25, 2010



Arlee T. Holt

TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

TENNESSEE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE PROVIDER'S SURETY BOND

Bond #: 105162352

WHEREAS, MIDWESTERN TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. (the "Principal"), has applied to the Tennessee Regulatory Authority for authority to provide telecommunications services in the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, under the provisions of Title 65, Chapter 4, Section 125(j) of the Tennessee Code Annotated, as amended, the Principal is required to file this bond in order to obtain such authority and to secure the payment of any monetary sanction imposed in any enforcement proceeding brought under Title 65 of the Tennessee Code Annotated or the Consumer Telemarketing Act of 1990 by or on behalf of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority (the "TRA"); and

WHEREAS, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America (the "Surety"), a corporation licensed to do business in the State of Tennessee and duly authorized by the Tennessee Commissioner of Insurance to engage in the surety business in this state pursuant to Title 56, Chapter 2 of the Tennessee Code Annotated, has agreed to issue this bond in order to permit the Principal to comply with the provisions of Title 65, Chapter 4, Section 125(j) of the Tennessee Code Annotated;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT KNOWN, that we the Principal and the Surety are held and firmly bound to the STATE OF TENNESSEE, in accordance with the provisions of Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 65, Chapter 4, Section 125(j), in the full amount of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00) lawful money of the United States of America to be used for the full and prompt payment of any monetary sanction imposed against the Principal, its representatives, successors or assigns, in any enforcement proceeding brought under Title 65 of Tennessee Code Annotated or the Consumer Telemarketing Act of 1990, by or on behalf of the TRA, for which obligation we bind ourselves, our representatives, successors and assigns, each jointly and severally, firmly and unequivocally by these presents.

This bond shall become effective on the 01 day of August, 2008, and shall be continuous; provided, however, that each annual renewal period or portion thereof shall constitute a new bond term. Regardless of the number of years this bond may remain in force, the liability of the Surety shall not be cumulative, and the aggregate liability of the Surety for any and all claims, suits or actions under this bond shall not exceed Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00). The Surety may cancel this bond by giving thirty (30) days written notice of such cancellation to the TRA and Principal by certified mail, it being understood that the Surety shall not be relieved of liability that may have accrued under this bond prior to the date of cancellation.

PRINCIPAL

MIDWESTERN TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.
Name of Company authorized by the TRA

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Company ID # as assigned by TRA

SIGNATURE OF PRINCIPAL

Name:
Title:

SURETY

Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America
Name of Surety

One Tower Square Hartford, CT 06183
Address of Surety

SIGNATURE OF SURETY AGENT

Name: Kathleen M. Anderson
Title: Account Underwriter

Address of Surety Agent:
LAMBENT RISK MGMT SERV
1 NORTH LA SALLE ST STE 1130
CHICAGO IL 60602

THIS BOND IS ISSUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 125, CHAPTER 4, TITLE 65 OF THE TENNESSEE CODE ANNOTATED AS AMENDED BY CHAPTER NO. 586, 2000 PUBLIC ACTS. SHOULD THERE BE ANY CONFLICT WITH THE TERMS HEREOF AND THE STATUTE OR REGULATIONS PROMULGATED THEREUNDER, THE STATUTE OR REGULATIONS SHALL PREVAIL. (POWER OF ATTORNEY FROM AN APPROVED INSURANCE COMPANY MUST BE ATTACHED.)

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF PRINCIPAL

STATE OF TENNESSEE

COUNTY OF DuPage

Before me, a Notary Public of the State and County aforesaid, personally appeared Heckro Chenwen with whom I am personally acquainted and who, upon oath, acknowledged himself to be the individual who executed the foregoing bond on behalf of Midwestern Telecom, and he acknowledged to me that he executed the same.

WITNESS my hand and seal this 7th day of September, 2008.

My Commission Expires:

August 25, 2010

Arlene Holt

Notary Public



ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF SURETY

STATE OF TENNESSEE

COUNTY OF DuPage

Before me, a Notary Public of the State and County aforesaid, personally appeared Kathleen M. Anderson Attorney In Fact with whom I am personally acquainted and who, upon oath, acknowledged himself to be the individual who executed the foregoing bond on behalf of Travelers Casualty & Surety Company of America, the within named Surety, a corporation licensed to do business in the State of Tennessee and duly authorized by the Tennessee Commissioner of Insurance to engage in the surety business in this state pursuant to Title 56, Chapter 2 of the Tennessee Code Annotated, and that he as such an individual being authorized to do so, executed the foregoing bond, by signing the name of the corporation by himself and as such individual.

WITNESS my hand and seal this 12th day of August, 2008.

My Commission Expires:

June 1, 2010

Heather Meneghetti

Notary Public



APPROVAL AND INDORSEMENT

This is to certify that I have examined the foregoing bond and found the same to be sufficient and in conformity to law, that the sureties on the same are good and worth the penalty thereof, and that the same has been filed with the Tennessee Regulatory Authority, State of Tennessee, this _____ day of _____, _____.

Name:

Title:



POWER OF ATTORNEY

Farmington Casualty Company
Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Company
Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Underwriters, Inc.
Seaboard Surety Company
St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company

St. Paul Guardian Insurance Company
St. Paul Mercury Insurance Company
Travelers Casualty and Surety Company
Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America
United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company

Attorney-In Fact No. 219239

Certificate No. 002026161

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That Seaboard Surety Company is a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of New York, that St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company, St. Paul Guardian Insurance Company and St. Paul Mercury Insurance Company are corporations duly organized under the laws of the State of Minnesota, that Farmington Casualty Company, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company, and Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America are corporations duly organized under the laws of the State of Connecticut, that United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company is a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Maryland, that Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Company is a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Iowa, and that Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Underwriters, Inc. is a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Wisconsin (herein collectively called the "Companies"), and that the Companies do hereby make, constitute and appoint

Dwight F. Miller, Janice B. Kaplan, Carol F. Tasciotti, Evonne Brown, Adele M. Korczak, Grace Villarreal, Gail Schroeder, Barbara J. Bailey, Cindy Genslinger, Gina M. Damato, Thomas A. Pictor, Erik Janssens, Jane Bronson, Michael Damewood, Rosemary Muliere, Kathleen M. Anderson, Vaenessa Sims, Luisa Catalano, Marva Miller, , Thomas N. Tague, Brenda D. Hockberger, Meredith Day, Sarah A. Bibo, Michael A. Clark, Carlina A. Jewell, Tara S. Petersen, Todd D. Baraniak, Dale F. Poquette, Oscar F. Rincon, Heather Meyer, Patrick J. Brennan, Jr., Jennifer Fortier, Moises Alcantar, James P. Fagan, Casey McCarthy, Dana Junk, Amar Patel, Heather J. Meneghetti, Lucy Samuel, Ann Mulder, John C. Redding, Steph Buckner, Phil Horvath, Grace Lawrence, David Letcher, and Courtney Combies

of the City of Naperville/Chicago, State of Illinois, their true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact, each in their separate capacity if more than one is named above, to sign, execute, seal and acknowledge any and all bonds, recognizances, conditional undertakings and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof on behalf of the Companies in their business of guaranteeing the fidelity of persons, guaranteeing the performance of contracts and executing or guaranteeing bonds and undertakings required or permitted in any actions or proceedings allowed by law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Companies have caused this instrument to be signed and their corporate seals to be hereto affixed, this 25th day of October, 2007.

Farmington Casualty Company
Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Company
Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Underwriters, Inc.
Seaboard Surety Company
St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company

St. Paul Guardian Insurance Company
St. Paul Mercury Insurance Company
Travelers Casualty and Surety Company
Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America
United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company



State of Connecticut
City of Hartford ss.

By:

George W. Thompson, Senior Vice President

On this the 25th day of October, 2007, before me personally appeared George W. Thompson, who acknowledged himself to be the Senior Vice President of Farmington Casualty Company, Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Company, Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Underwriters, Inc., Seaboard Surety Company, St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company, St. Paul Guardian Insurance Company, St. Paul Mercury Insurance Company, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America, and United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company, and that he, as such, being authorized so to do, executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained by signing on behalf of the corporations by himself as a duly authorized officer.

In Witness Whereof, I hereunto set my hand and official seal.
My Commission expires the 30th day of June, 2011.



Marie C. Tetreault
Marie C. Tetreault, Notary Public

This Power of Attorney is granted under and by the authority of the following resolutions adopted by the Boards of Directors of Farmington Casualty Company, Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Company, Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Underwriters, Inc., Seaboard Surety Company, St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company, St. Paul Guardian Insurance Company, St. Paul Mercury Insurance Company, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America, and United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company, which resolutions are now in full force and effect, reading as follows:

RESOLVED, that the Chairman, the President, any Vice Chairman, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President, any Vice President, any Second Vice President, the Treasurer, any Assistant Treasurer, the Corporate Secretary or any Assistant Secretary may appoint Attorneys-in-Fact and Agents to act for and on behalf of the Company and may give such appointee such authority as his or her certificate of authority may prescribe to sign with the Company's name and seal with the Company's seal bonds, recognizances, contracts of indemnity, and other writings obligatory in the nature of a bond, recognizance, or conditional undertaking, and any of said officers or the Board of Directors at any time may remove any such appointee and revoke the power given him or her; and it is

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairman, the President, any Vice Chairman, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President or any Vice President may delegate all or any part of the foregoing authority to one or more officers or employees of this Company, provided that each such delegation is in writing and a copy thereof is filed in the office of the Secretary; and it is

FURTHER RESOLVED, that any bond, recognizance, contract of indemnity, or writing obligatory in the nature of a bond, recognizance, or conditional undertaking shall be valid and binding upon the Company when (a) signed by the President, any Vice Chairman, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President or any Vice President, any Second Vice President, the Treasurer, any Assistant Treasurer, the Corporate Secretary or any Assistant Secretary and duly attested and sealed with the Company's seal by a Secretary or Assistant Secretary; or (b) duly executed (under seal, if required) by one or more Attorneys-in-Fact and Agents pursuant to the power prescribed in his or her certificate or their certificates of authority or by one or more Company officers pursuant to a written delegation of authority; and it is

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the signature of each of the following officers: President, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President, any Vice President, any Assistant Vice President, any Secretary, any Assistant Secretary, and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile to any power of attorney or to any certificate relating thereto appointing Resident Vice Presidents, Resident Assistant Secretaries or Attorneys-in-Fact for purposes only of executing and attesting bonds and undertakings and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof, and any such power of attorney or certificate bearing such facsimile signature or facsimile seal shall be valid and binding upon the Company and any such power so executed and certified by such facsimile signature and facsimile seal shall be valid and binding on the Company in the future with respect to any bond or understanding to which it is attached.

I, Kori M. Johanson, the undersigned, Assistant Secretary, of Farmington Casualty Company, Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Company, Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Underwriters, Inc., Seaboard Surety Company, St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company, St. Paul Guardian Insurance Company, St. Paul Mercury Insurance Company, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America, and United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Power of Attorney executed by said Companies, which is in full force and effect and has not been revoked.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seals of said Companies this 12th day of August, 20 08


Kori M. Johanson, Assistant Secretary



To verify the authenticity of this Power of Attorney, call 1-800-421-3880 or contact us at www.travelersbond.com. Please refer to the Attorney-In-Fact number, the above-named individuals and the details of the bond to which the power is attached.

EXHIBIT IV



www.mvmti.com
877-567-3722
(Customer Service)

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|---|---|
| Bill Summary 9/14/2008 to 10/14/2008 | \$0.00 |
| Telephone Number: (815) 944-8284 Account ID: 483550 | Current Charges Due By 9/9/2008 \$40.71 Add \$5.00 if paid after 9/14/2008 |
| Western Union Swift Pay Code: No code on file Moneygram Receive Code: 2572 | Total Amount Outstanding As Of 8/23/2008 \$40.71 Includes Current + Past Due Amounts |

Donna Taylor
13291 E 2690s RD
Momence, IL 60954-3754

Remit to:
MTI
PO Box 1401
Chicago Heights, IL 60412 7401

Please detach and return this portion with your payment

If payment is not received ON or BEFORE 9/14/2008, your services will be interrupted. If your services are interrupted you will need to pay all outstanding charges PLUS \$10 before your services can be restored. If your services are interrupted for more than 4 days, your services will be permanently disconnected and you will lose your telephone number and be required to pay to start new services.

Summary

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|----------------------|---------|
| Balance Information | |
| Previous Balance | 0.00 |
| Balance Forward | |
| New Charges | |
| Recurring Charges | 45.66 |
| Taxes and Surcharges | 5.05 |
| Discounts | (10.00) |
| Total New Charges | 40.71 |
| Total Amount Due | 40.71 |

Credits

| Description | Start | End | Amount |
|-----------------|---------|----------|------------------|
| Basic Choice | 9/14/08 | 10/13/08 | (10.00) |
| Subtotal | | | (\$10.00) |

Recurring Charges

| Number: (815) 944-8284 | | | |
|-------------------------------|---------|----------|----------------|
| Description | Start | End | Amount |
| Basic Choice | 9/14/08 | 10/13/08 | 37.29 |
| Number Portability Fee | 9/14/08 | 10/13/08 | .37 |
| Regulatory Recovery Fee | 9/14/08 | 10/13/08 | 1.50 |
| State Subscriber Line Charge | 9/14/08 | 10/13/08 | 6.50 |
| Subtotal | | | \$45.66 |

Taxes and Surcharges

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|--------------------------------|---------------|
| 911 Surcharge | 1.00 |
| Federal Excise Tax | 1.07 |
| Federal TRS Fund | .09 |
| IL PUC FEE | .03 |
| IL STATE EXCISE TAX | 2.51 |
| IL STATE IMF | .18 |
| IL TELECOM RELAY SERV. & EQUIP | .06 |
| IL UNIVERSAL SERV FUND CHARGE | .11 |
| Subtotal | \$5.05 |

Total New Charges: \$40.71