

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF NEVADA

Application of Lincoln County Telephone System, Inc.)	
for authority to establish its annual revenue requirement)	
for telephone service rates; establish new charges, fees,)	
and rules for telephone customers; adjust intrastate access)	Docket No. 14-06002
charges; establish draw from the Nevada Universal)	
Service Fund; reflect changes in the cost of capital;)	
modify depreciation rates; and for other relief properly)	
related thereto.)	
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**NOTICE OF CONSUMER SESSION
AND
NOTICE OF HEARING**

On June 3, 2014, Lincoln County Telephone System, Inc. (“Lincoln County”) filed with the Public Utilities Commission of Nevada (“Commission”) an Application, designated as Docket No. 14-06002, for authority to establish its annual revenue requirement for telephone service rates; establish new charges, fees, and rules for telephone customers; adjust intrastate access charges; establish draw from the Nevada Universal Service Fund (“NUSF”); reflect changes in the cost of capital; modify depreciation rates; and for other relief properly related thereto (“Application”).

Lincoln County seeks authorization to increase its annual intrastate revenue requirement for telecommunications service by \$68,506 to \$2,092,858. Lincoln County further seeks authorization to increase the following rates:

Description	Current Monthly Rate	Proposed Monthly Rate	Difference
Basic residential rate for local exchange service	\$12.60	\$16.00	\$3.40
Single-line business local exchange rate	\$17.55	\$20.00	\$2.45
Key System Access Line rate	\$18.15	\$20.00	\$1.85

DOCUMENT REVIEW AND APPROVAL ROUTING

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Payphone Access Line rate	\$17.60	\$20.00	\$2.40
Direct Inward Dialing ("DID") rate – per number charge	\$24.00	\$25.00	\$1.00
DID Trunk rate/price – per 20 numbers	\$0.25	\$0.50	\$0.25

Lincoln County notes that, in Docket No. 12-10012, the Commission previously approved a return on equity of 10.7 percent for Small Scale Providers of Last Resort, subject to an overall rate of return cap of 9.25 percent. Lincoln County requests that its depreciation rates be adjusted as described in the Application.

Lincoln County further seeks funding from the NUSF for calendar year 2015 in the amount of \$522,649 to keep Lincoln County's rates at reasonably comparable levels to urban rates, and to allow Lincoln County an opportunity to fulfill its revenue requirement. Lincoln County states that the \$522,649 draw from the NUSF is necessary to make up for the portion of Lincoln County's revenue requirement that cannot be reasonably satisfied from end-user revenues. Lincoln County further states that it proposes to bring its intrastate originating rates to parity with interstate rates through its Application, but only if this adjustment allows Lincoln County to qualify for NUSF funding.

The Commission may approve rates as proposed, or decrease or increase rates as necessary to provide that such rates are just and reasonable.

Lincoln County filed the Application in accordance with the Nevada Revised Statutes ("NRS") and the Nevada Administrative Code ("NAC"), Chapters 703 and 704, including but not limited to NRS 704.100, 704.110 and 704.120, and NAC 703.2715 et seq., 703.27116 et seq., 704.68046, and 704.68048. Pursuant to NAC 703.5274, Lincoln County requested confidential treatment of information submitted under seal with the Application.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to NRS 704.069 and NAC 703.164, the Commission has scheduled a CONSUMER SESSION in this docket to be held as follows:

WEDNESDAY, JULY 30, 2014
6:00 p.m.
Thompson Opera House
644 Main Street
Pioche, Nevada 89043

Interested persons may appear at the consumer session and be heard regarding the above-captioned matter and the effect this matter may have on their utility service. A representative from Lincoln County will be present at the consumer session to provide an overview of the Application and to answer questions. Public comments will be limited to five minutes per person. To accommodate individuals who attend the consumer session who are sensitive to fragrance and chemical products, please use sparingly or not at all: perfumes, colognes, and perfumed body lotions, aftershave, hair products, etc.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Commission has scheduled a HEARING in this docket to be held as follows:

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2014
10:00 a.m.
Hearing Room A
Public Utilities Commission of Nevada
9075 West Diablo Drive, Suite 250
Las Vegas, Nevada 89148

VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE TO:

Hearing Room A
Public Utilities Commission of Nevada
1150 East William Street
Carson City, Nevada 89701

This hearing may be continued from day to day as necessary. At this time, the Commission has scheduled October 23-24, 2014, for this hearing.

The Commission is not responsible for providing clerical or administrative assistance or materials to parties during Commission proceedings. If such assistance is necessary, parties must make other arrangements for this type of assistance.

The Application is available for public viewing on the Commission's website at: <http://puc.nv.gov> and at the offices of the Commission: 1150 East William Street, Carson City, Nevada 89701 and 9075 West Diablo Drive, Suite 250, Las Vegas, Nevada 89148. This Notice of Consumer Session and Hearing has been posted at the county courthouses located in Carson City, Las Vegas, and Reno.

By the Commission,



BREANNE POTTER
Assistant Commission Secretary

Dated: Carson City, Nevada

7-14-14

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