



May 24, 2017
Via Electronic Delivery

Ms. Amy Green, Secretary
Kansas Corporation Commission
1500 SW. Arrowhead Road
Topeka, KS 66604-4027

**RE: Birch Telecom of Kansas, Inc. d/b/a Birch Communications
Kansas Tariff No. 4 (Access)
Docket No. 17-GIMT-426-GIT**

Dear Ms. Green:

This letter is submitted on behalf of Birch Telecom of Kansas, Inc. d/b/a Birch Communications (“Company”) in response to the Commission’s Order In the Matter of a General Investigation into the Adjustment of Intrastate Switched Access and Reciprocal Compensation Charges Pursuant to the Federal Communications Commission’s Reforms, Docket No. 17-GIMT-426-GIT. The Company’s current intrastate switched access rates refer to the corresponding interstate access rates as set forth in the Company’s Tariff FCC No. 1, on file with the Federal Communications Commission. In compliance with the requirements of the Federal Communications Commission Report and Order in WC Docket No. 10-90, *et. al.*, FCC No. 11-161, the sixth phase of intercarrier compensation transition will be implemented with a revision of the Company’s interstate access rates to benchmark ILEC rates effective July 29, 2017.

The Company’s interstate tariff can be found at:

<https://apps.fcc.gov/etfs/public/lecTariffs.action?idLec=444>.

Any questions you may have regarding this filing should be directed to my attention at 407-740-3006 or via email to croesel@tminc.com. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

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