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In the Matter of Rural Telephone Service Company, Inc.)
Filing Tariff Revisions to its Lifeline Program Annual) Docket No.
Income Level to Meet Statutory and Regulatory Compliance) 13-RRLT-655-TAR
and Increasing in Video Services Bundled Pricing.)
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Kansas Corporation Commission
/S/ Patrice Petersen-Klein

April 19, 2013

Ms. Patrice Petersen-Klein
Executive Director
Kansas Corporation Commission
1500 SW Arrowhead Road
Topeka, KS 66604-0427



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by
State Corporation Commission
of Kansas

Dear Ms. Peterson-Klein:

Enclosed for filing with the Commission are an original and three (3) copies of revised tariff sheets for Rural Telephone Service Company, Inc., dba Nex-Tech. Nex-Tech respectfully requests that the revisions be inserted according to the enclosed list of changes, with an effective date of May 1, 2013.

With this filing, Nex-Tech is making the following change:

- Section 1
 - Change in Lifeline Program annual income level to meet statutory and regulatory compliance
 - Increase in Video Services Bundled Pricing

Please return a stamped copy of the tariff sheets upon Commission approval to Nex-Tech, PO Box 158, Lenora, KS 67645. If you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Rhonda S. Goddard
Chief Operating Officer

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Enclosures

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Section 1:

Third Revised Sheet 5
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LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

II. APPLICATION OF RATES (continued)

B. Lifeline Program (continued)

2. Eligibility Requirements (continued)

- b. Show that he/she is currently a recipient of benefits from one of the following public assistance programs:

- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)
- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)
- Medicaid
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- General Assistance
- Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LIEAP)
- Section 8 Public Housing Assistance Program
- National School Lunch Program Free Lunch
- Food Distribution Program

Individuals choosing this option must obtain and provide to the Company a copy of a valid identification card or the appropriate documents that are issued to them by the agency administering the program.

- c. Income Eligibility – A customer shall be eligible for the Lifeline program if that customer's household annual income level is at or below 135% of the federal poverty level. Such customers may obtain a form from the Company suitable for self-certification of income level, and provide the completed form to the Company to begin service under the program.

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d. Certification

- i. The customer will certify eligibility for Lifeline. Recertification is required annually or at any time the customer's qualifying criteria changes.

Recipients of Lifeline must notify the Company when they no longer qualify for Lifeline. Upon receipt of the notification, the Company will discontinue Lifeline.

If the Company discovers that conditions exist that disqualify the recipient of Lifeline, local service will be billed at the full rate. The customer will be billed retroactively either to the date Lifeline commenced or the date the recipient no longer qualified for the service, not to exceed twelve (12) months.

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By: Larry E. Sevier, CEO
Rural Telephone Service Co., Inc. d/b/a Nex-Tech
Lenora, Kansas

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III. LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE RATES AND CHARGES

A.	RATE GROUP 1	<u>Residential</u>	<u>Business</u>
	Flat Rate – One Party	\$ 16.75	\$ 19.75
	Centrex Access Line	---	\$ 21.75
B.	RATE GROUP 2		
	Flat Rate – One Party	\$ 16.75	\$ 26.00
	Centrex Access Line	---	\$ 33.00
C.	RATE GROUP 3		
	Flat Rate – One Party	\$ 17.80	\$ 28.75
	Centrex Access Line	---	\$ 33.00

D. Video Services Bundled Pricing

System A	Analog	\$50.95	I
	Digital	\$50.95	I

Customers bundling two (2) or more services, Telephone, High-Speed Internet, or TV, will receive a bundled price. Telephone services provided by the Company will not be discounted. Adding video service from Nex-Tech will result in the customer receiving the bundled price listed above in the following communities: Agra, Alton, Athol, Bogue, Bunker Hill, Burr Oak, Collyer, Courtland, Damar, Downs, Edmond, Esbon, Galatia, Gaylord, Gove, Grainfield, Hill City, Ionia, Jennings, Kensington, Lebanon, Lenora, Logan, Long Island, Morland, Natoma, Olmitz, Osborne, Palco, Park, Penokee, Portis, Prairie View, Quinter, Republic, Rexford, Russell, Selden, Victoria, WaKeeney, Webber, Woodston, and Zurich. *

System B	Analog	\$47.95	I
	Digital	\$47.95	

Customers bundling two (2) or more services, Telephone, High-Speed Internet, or TV, will receive a bundled price. Telephone services provided by the Company will not be discounted. Adding video service from Nex-Tech will result in the customer receiving the bundled price listed above in the following communities: Victoria. *

*Not available in some areas.

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