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April 30, 2021

Secretary to the Commission Kansas Corporation Commission 1500 SW Arrowhead Road Topeka KS 66604

RE: Consolidated Communications of Kansas Company - Tariff Revision - General Exchange Tariff, Business Rate Increases

Dear Secretary:

Enclosed for filing, Consolidated Communications of Kansas Company hereby submits the following tariff sheets pursuant to K.S.A. 66-2007(b) with a proposed effective date of September 1, 2021.

Section 3 - Third Revised Sheet 1 Section 6 - Third Revised Sheet 8 Section 6 - Second Revised Sheet 12

The effective date on each page has been excluded to allow for proper review and approval by KCC Staff.

The purpose of this filing is the make the following tariff changes:

- Business access line rate will increase by \$1.50 for exchanges in Leoti, Tribune, Marienthal, Jetmore, Sharon Springs, Wallace & Weskan (Current access line rate is \$18.00 increasing to \$19.50)
- Business access line rate will increase by \$1.50 for exchanges in Cedar Point and Saffordville (Current access line rate is \$22.50 increasing to \$24.00)
- Business access line rate will increase by \$1.50 for exchange Americus (Current access line rate is \$24.00 increasing to \$25.50)
- Small Business Bundles will increase by \$2.50
- ExpansionPAK II (EPAK II) bundles will increase by \$2.50 (business access line rate increase of \$1.50 and intrastate long distance minutes rate increase of \$1.00)

A copy of the bill messaging that will be used to notify customers of these changes is enclosed for your reference. These bill messages will be delivered to customers as part of the June 1, 2021, billing cycle.

Please contact me at the number below or Carrie Patterson at <u>carrie.patterson@consolidated.com</u> with any questions or concerns regarding this filing.

Regards,

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## CONSOLIDATED COMMUNICATIONS OF KANSAS COMPANY BILL MESSAGES – CUSTOMER NOTIFICATION

## **BUSINESS**:

## Local Exchange Telephone Service - Basic Service Rates (Applies to Americus)

## NOTICE OF PRICE INCREASE

At Consolidated Communications we strive to keep you informed of any changes to your billing and service options. Effective on your September bill, the access line rate will increase \$1.50 to \$25.50/month.

You may petition the Kansas Corporation Commission to determine the reasonableness of the proposed rates by contacting them at 1500 SW Arrowhead Road, Topeka, KS 66604-4027, (800) 662-0027, or go to the Commission's website (www.kcc.ks.gov) and click on the "Your Opinion Matters" link to enter your comment. A petition by 15% or more of subscribers subject to the proposed rate increase would require the Commission to initiate a reasonableness investigation.

We value your business and look forward to providing you with the best services possible. For more information, please call 1.844.YOUR.CCI (1.844.968.7224).

## Local Exchange Telephone Service - Basic Service Rates (Applies to Cedar Point & Saffordville)

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## **BUSINESS** (Cont'd):

# Local Exchange Telephone Service - Basic Service Rates (Applies to Leoti, Tribune, Marienthal, Jetmore, Sharon Springs, Wallace, Weskan)

## NOTICE OF PRICE INCREASE

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## Voice Bundles (Applies to All Exchanges)

Changes Coming to Your Bill

At Consolidated Communications we strive to keep you informed of any changes to your billing and service options. Effective with your September bill, the Voice Bundle rate will increase by \$2.50 per month.

You may petition the Kansas Corporation Commission to determine the reasonableness of the proposed rates by contacting them at 1500 SW Arrowhead Road, Topeka, KS 66604-4027, (800) 662-0027, or go to the Commission's website (www.kcc.ks.gov) and click on the "Your Opinion Matters" link to enter your comment. A petition by 15% or more of subscribers subject to the proposed rate increase would require the Commission to initiate a reasonableness investigation.

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#### GENERAL EXCHANGE TARIFF

#### SECTION 3. LOCAL SERVICES

#### 3.1 Local Exchange Telephone Service - Basic Service Rates

These monthly rates apply to all customers of the Company. This rate covers the provision of network access to a local customer location, including tone dialing capability, and entitles the customer to local calls (without toll charge) to all local stations connected to a central office of the exchange, or to all local extended local service area where comprised of more than one exchange.

The following rates apply to all customers for basic local exchange service within the exchanges of:

	Monthly Rate			
	Leoti, Tribune, Marienthal,			
	Jetmore, Sharon Springs,			
	Wallace, Weskan	Cedar Point & Saffordville	Americus	
Business Access Line	\$19.50* ( <b>I</b> )	\$24.00* ( <b>I</b> )	\$25.50* ( <b>I</b> )	
Residence Access Line	\$16.27	\$19.74	\$19.74	

\*See Section 3, Sheet 20 for available term and volume discounts

#### 3.11 Kansas Universal Service Fund

Beginning March 1, 1997, the Company will assess a fee for funding of the Kansas Universal Service Fund (KUSF), including Kansas Lifeline Service Program (KLSP), and the Kansas Telecommunications Access Program (TAP). These funds were enacted by the Kansas Legislature in 1996, and authorized by the Kansas Corporation Commission on December 27, 1996 in Docket No. 190,492-U. The Amount of the fee may vary as determined by the Fund Administrator.

#### GENERAL EXCHANGE TARIFF

#### SECTION 6. <u>BUNDLED SERVICE PACKAGES</u> (CONT'D)

## 6.3 <u>Small Business Bundles<sup>1</sup></u> (Cont'd)

6.33 <u>Rates</u> (Leoti, Tribune, Marienthal, Jetmore, Sharon Springs, Wallace and Weskan Exchanges Only) (C)

	Term**			
	Month to			
Bundle	Month	1 Year	2 Year	3 Year
1. SBB W/HSI <sup>1</sup>	\$103.95 ( <b>I</b> )	\$96.95 ( <b>I</b> )	\$91.95 ( <b>I</b> )	\$86.95 ( <b>I</b> )

All rates noted are on a monthly per-line basis

\*\* Non-recurring charges waived for 1, 2, and 3-year terms

<sup>1</sup>Obsolete - available only to existing customers at existing locations

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#### GENERAL EXCHANGE TARIFF

#### SECTION 6. <u>BUNDLED SERVICE PACKAGES</u> (CONT'D)

#### 6.4 <u>ExpansionPAK II (EPAK II) Bundles (Cont'd)</u>

- 6.43 <u>Termination Liability</u> (Cont'd)
  - e. At the end of the term or any subsequent renewal, the agreement will automatically be renewed for a successive one, two or three year term at the same terms and conditions unless either party provides advance notice that it does not wish to renew the term. Each subsequent renewal will allow for a 60-day grace period for the subscriber to unsubscribe from the plan without penalty. Pricing will remain the same during any automatic renewal unless the Telephone Company has provided 30 days notice of any change.

Customers can move from a shorter term to a longer term without incurring a penalty.

#### 6.44 <u>Rates</u>

#### Unlimited Dial Tone (DTL):

	Monthly Rates <sup>1</sup>			
	Leoti, Tribune,			
	Marienthal,			
	Jetmore,			
	Sharon Springs,			
	Wallace,		Cedar Point,	
	Weskan	Americus	Saffordville	
	Exchanges	<b>Exchanges</b>	Exchanges	
Basic Unlimited Package (One Year Term)	\$24.50 ( <b>I</b> )	\$30.50 <b>(I</b> )	\$29.00 ( <b>I</b> )	
Basic Unlimited Package (Two Year Term)	\$21.50	\$27.50	\$26.00	
Basic Unlimited Package (Three Year Term)	\$13.50	\$19.50	\$18.00	
Expansion Line with Unlimited Calling (Month-to-Month)	\$24.50	\$30.50	\$29.00	
Expansion Line with Unlimited Calling (One Year Term)	\$24.50	\$30.50	\$29.00	
Expansion Line with Unlimited Calling (Two Year Term)	\$21.50	\$27.50	\$26.00	
Expansion Line with Unlimited Calling (Three Year Term)	\$13.50 <b>(I</b> )	\$19.50 <b>(İ</b> )	\$18.00 <b>(İ</b> )	

<sup>1</sup>This price does not include the IntraLATA and InterLATA components which are provided by Consolidated Communications Enterprise Services, Inc.