

**THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS**

Before Commissioners: Andrew J. French, Chairperson
 Dwight D. Keen
 Annie Kuether

In the Matter the Application for Haviland)
Telephone Co., Inc. Filing Tariff Revisions to) Docket No. 25-HVDT-181-TAR
Cessation of Printed and Distributed)
Telephone Directories.)

ORDER APPROVING TARIFF REVISIONS

The above-captioned matter comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Commission) for consideration and determination of Haviland Telephone Co., Inc.'s, (Haviland) request to revise language regarding telephone directories to implement provisions of the Commission's order regarding printed telephone directories filed August 22, 2024, in Docket No. 24-GIMT-380-MIS (24-380), and to remove language for certain discontinued and no longer provided services. Having examined its files and record, and being duly advised in the premises, the Commission finds and concludes as follows:

1. On October 8, 2024, Haviland filed a request for the following tariff changes relating to the cessation of printed and distributed telephone directories:

- a. Revise Part 1, Sheet 8, language regarding directory provision,
- b. Revise Part 1, Sheet 9, by deleting language regarding the company charging for replacement directories and changing gender references,
- c. Revise Part 1, Sheet 12, by removing language relating to semi-public (pay) telephone service and PBX service which are obsolete and no longer offered,
- d. Revise Part 1, Sheet 13, by removing language regarding business office hour listings in the now-discontinued directory, and
- e. Revise Part 2, Sheet 11, by removing the obsolete Unpublished Number and its associated rate, and changing gender references.¹

Haviland indicates there is no regulated revenue impact resulting from these revisions.

¹ Haviland Telephone Company, Inc., Application (Oct. 8, 2024) (Application).

2. K.S.A. 66-1,190 requires that telecommunications public utilities doing business in Kansas shall:

... publish and file with the commission copies of all schedules of rates, joint rates, tolls, charges, classifications, and divisions of rates affecting Kansas traffic, either state or interstate...and...the commission shall have power to prescribe reasonable rules and regulations regarding the form and filing of all schedules, tariffs and classifications of all rates, joint rates, tolls and charges and all rules and regulations of such telecommunications public utilities.

The Commission derives its authority to review Local Exchange Carrier tariffs from K.S.A. 66-117(d), which reads in part:

...(d) Except as provided in subsection (c), no change shall be made in any rate, toll, charge, classification or schedule of charges or joint rates, or in any rule or regulation or practice pertaining to the service or rates of any such public utility or common carrier, without the consent of the commission.

3. The Commission maintains authority to require telecommunications public utilities to maintain rates that are not unjust or unreasonably discriminatory.² Accordingly, the Commission conducts its investigation regarding the reasonableness of Haviland's request revisions.

4. The Commission Staff (Staff) issued a Report and Recommendation dated October 9, 2024, which is attached hereto and made a part hereof by reference, advising the Commission to grant the tariff revisions proposed by Haviland.

5. The Commission adopts Staff's analysis and recommendations as stated in the Report and Recommendation and finds that Haviland's request should be granted. In conjunction with the request, the Commission finds that the effective date shall be January 1, 2025.

IT IS, THEREFORE, BY THE COMMISSION ORDERED THAT:

A. Haviland Telephone Co., Inc.'s, request filed in this matter on October 8, 2024, is hereby granted with the effective tariff date occurring on January 1, 2025.

² K.S.A. 66-1,189.

B. Any party may file and serve a petition for reconsideration pursuant to the requirements and time limits established by K.S.A. 77-529(a)(1).³

C. The Commission retains jurisdiction over the subject matter and the parties for the purpose of entering such further order, or orders, as it may deem necessary.

BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

French, Chairperson; Keen, Commissioner; Kuether, Commissioner

Dated: 10/22/2024



Lynn M. Retz
Executive Director

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³ K.S.A. 66-118b; K.S.A. 77-503(c); K.S.A. 77-531(b).

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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I, the undersigned, certify that a true copy of the attached Order has been served to the following by means of electronic service on 10/22/2024.

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