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January 6, 2025 (Amended January 8, 2025)
Via Electronic Filing

Ms. Lynn M. Retz
Executive Director
Kansas Corporation Commission
1500 SW Arrowhead Road
Topeka, KS 66604-4027

Dear Ms. Retz:

Attached for electronic filing are revisions to the Brightspeed Companies of Kansas Local Exchange Service Tariff. The following revisions to the Local Exchange Tariff are included in this filing:

Section	Revised Pages
Reference Guide	1st Revised Sheet 6
1	1st Revised Sheet 14

This filing increases monthly rates for all business flat rate access lines and certain residential and business Key Trunks. These increases comply with HB 2131 changes to 66-2005(q)(1)(F) effective July 1, 2016, and are within the change permitted by the increase in the consumer price index for all urban consumers. In addition, the monthly rate for Metroplus will be decreased for residence and business services.

Included as Attachment A, please find the Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers in 2023 and 2024. Attachment B is information supporting the business access line rate changes proposed in this filing. The changes are guided by the change in the Consumer Price Index as noted in Attachment A. Attachment C includes a copy of the customer notification.

In compliance with existing rules, we make this filing on at least thirty days' advance notification and anticipate a February 5, 2025 effective date.

Should you have questions or need additional information regarding this filing, please contact me at the phone number or the e-mail address listed below.

Sincerely,

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Consumer Price Index - All Urban Consumers

Date	Index
June 2023	305.109*
June 2024	314.175*
ANNUAL PERCENT CHANGE	2.97%

* See Consumer Price Index (CPI) Database for **All Urban Consumers (Current Series)** at <https://www.bls.gov/cpi/data.htm>.

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Proposed Rate Calculation

Current B1 Rate	\$32.75
Proposed B1 Rate	\$33.54
Proposed B1 Rate Increase	\$0.79
Proposed B1 Percentage Increase	2.41%

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Following is the verbiage contained in Brightspeed's Customer Notice bill messages associated with the pending rate increase for residential and business customers.

Residence (All Exchanges)

Effective February 1, 2025, the monthly rate for Residential lines will increase by up to \$0.47. Key Trunks will increase by up to \$0.87. The Metro bundle will increase by up to \$0.47. The following bundles will increase by up to \$2.00: Economy Pack, Economy Pack Plus, Economy Pack Plus Lite, Simple Choice, Home Phone IIA, Home Phone IIB, Sure Solution II, Custom Solution I, Classic Solution, Clear Solution, Core Solution, Personal II Solution, Home II Solution, Special Plan – Metro, Simple Solution, Progressive Plan, Follow Me Plan and Essential Home Phone Plan. Simple Choice Unlimited A and Simple Choice Unlimited B will increase by up to \$4.00. Safe and Sound II Solution and Practical Solution will increase by \$0.47.

Business (All Exchanges)

Effective February 1, 2025, the monthly rate for Business lines will increase by up to \$0.79. Key Trunks will increase by up to \$0.90. PBX Trunks will increase by up to \$1.12. Remote Call Forwarding will increase by up to \$2.00. The following bundles will increase by up to \$5.00: Business Assist Advantage, Business Unlimited Business Unlimited Additional Line, Sure Solution II, Classic Solution, Preferred Solution, Priority Solution, Economy Solution, Economy II Solution, Economy IIA Solution, Complete Business, Complete Business Second through Ninth Lines, Multiline Month-to-Month, Multiline 1 Year, Multiline 2 Year, Multiline 3 Year, Connected II, Economy IIB Solution, Complete Business II, Basic Offer Month-to-Month, Basic Offer 1 Year, Basic Offer 2 Year and Basic Offer 3 Year. Rotary + Classics will increase by \$3.29. Sure Solution II Discounted and Economy I, II and IIA Discounted will increase by \$4.50.

2. ACCESS LINE RATES

Following are the monthly access line rates associated with each class of service: Residence Access Line, Residence Key Trunk, Business Access Line, Business Key Trunk, PBX Trunk and Pay Telephone Service. All access line rates include Touch-Tone as part of the monthly rate.

<u>Monthly Rates</u>	<u>Rate Group 1-3</u>	<u>Rate Group 4</u>
Residence Access Line (1-Pty)	\$19.95 (I)	\$19.95 (I)
Residence Key Trunk	37.11 (I)	37.70
Business Access Line (1-Pty)	33.54 (I)	33.54 (I)
Business Key Trunk	38.60 (I)	38.60 (I)
PBX Trunk	42.50 (I)	47.62 (I)
Pay Telephone Service	25.66	25.66

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LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

5. METROPLUS (Continued)

B. Rates and Calling Scope (Continued)

- 2) Linwood and Osawatomie - Two-way flat rate calling with the Kansas City Metropolitan Exchanges⁽¹⁾ and participating subscribers in Bucyrus, Edgerton, Gardner, Linwood, Osawatomie and Spring Hill exchanges.

<u>Class of Service</u>	<u>Monthly Rates</u>	<u>S&E Codes</u>	
Business Service			
One Party, Centrex ⁽²⁾ , Key Trunk, Payphone Line Service, and PBX Trunk			
Linwood Exchange	\$5.00	ASBEASC	(R)
Osawatomie Exchange	5.00	ASBEASC	
Residence Service			
One Party			
Linwood Exchange	\$11.00	ASBEASC	(R)
Osawatomie Exchange	3.00	ASBEASC	

- 3) Lancaster - Two-way flat rate calling with the Atchison⁽³⁾ (Kansas and Missouri) exchange.

<u>Class of Service</u>	<u>Monthly Rates</u>	<u>S&E Codes</u>	
Business Service			
One Party, Centrex ⁽²⁾ , Key Trunk, Payphone Line Line Service, and PBX Trunk			
	\$5.00	ASBEASC	(R)
Residence Service			
One Party	\$11.00	ASBEASC	(R)

⁽¹⁾ Customers located in the Kansas City Metropolitan Exchanges can place local calls to customers in exchanges specified in 7.B. subscribing to this plan. MetroPlus customers can place local calls to the Ferrelview (Missouri) exchange because Ferrelview has mandatory EAS to the Kansas City Metropolitan Area; however, Ferrelview customers cannot place local calls to MetroPlus customers.

⁽²⁾ The metro calling additive is applied to each public access line ordered by customers subscribing to Centrex service. See Section 13.

⁽³⁾ Non- Brightspeed exchange.

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Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)
Original Data Value

Series Id: CUUR0000SA0
Not Seasonally Adjusted
Series Title: All items in U.S. city average, all urban consumers, not
Area: U.S. city average
Item: All items
Base Period: 1982-84=100
Years: 2014 to 2024

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	HALF1	HALF2
2014	233.916	234.781	236.293	237.072	237.900	238.343	238.250	237.852	238.031	237.433	236.151	234.812	236.384	237.088
2015	233.707	234.722	236.119	236.599	237.805	238.638	238.654	238.316	237.945	237.838	237.336	236.525	236.265	237.769
2016	236.916	237.111	238.132	239.261	240.229	241.018	240.628	240.849	241.428	241.729	241.353	241.432	238.778	241.237
2017	242.839	243.603	243.801	244.524	244.733	244.955	244.786	245.519	246.819	246.663	246.669	246.524	244.076	246.163
2018	247.867	248.991	249.554	250.546	251.588	251.989	252.006	252.146	252.439	252.885	252.038	251.233	250.089	252.125
2019	251.712	252.776	254.202	255.548	256.092	256.143	256.571	256.558	256.759	257.346	257.208	256.974	254.412	256.903
2020	257.971	258.678	258.115	256.389	256.394	257.797	259.101	259.918	260.280	260.388	260.229	260.474	257.557	260.065
2021	261.582	263.014	264.877	267.054	269.195	271.696	273.003	273.567	274.310	276.589	277.948	278.802	266.236	275.703
2022	281.148	283.716	287.504	289.109	292.296	296.311	296.276	296.171	296.808	298.012	297.711	296.797	288.347	296.963
2023	299.170	300.840	301.836	303.363	304.127	305.109	305.691	307.026	307.789	307.671	307.051	306.746	302.408	306.996
2024	308.417	310.326	312.332	313.548	314.069	314.175	314.540	314.796	315.301				312.145	