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At the request of Staff, enclosed for substitution regarding the above referenced tariff filing, please find three copies of the following revised tariff sheets:

PSC Mo. No. 1, Original Sheet 1	PSC Mo. No. 1, Original Sheet 31
PSC Mo. No. 1, Original Sheet 2	PSC Mo. No. 1, Original Sheet 35
PSC Mo. No. 1, Original Sheet 3	PSC Mo. No. 1, Original Sheet 36
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# REGULATIONS AND SCHEDULE OF CHARGES APPLICABLE TO INTRASTATE LONG DISTANCE MESSAGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE FURNISHED BY

#### FAIRPOINT COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION

BETWEEN POINTS WITHIN THE STATE OF MISSOURI, AS SPECIFIED HEREIN.
SERVICE IS PROVIDED BY MEANS OF WIRE, RADIO, TERRESTRIAL OR
SATELLITE FACILITIES OR ANY COMBINATION THEREOF,
AS SPECIFIED HEREIN.

This tariff contains the descriptions, regulations, and rates applicable to the furnishing of service and facilities for telecommunications services provided by FairPoint Communications within the State of Missouri. This tariff is on file with the Missouri Public Service Commission and copies may be inspected during normal business hours, at the Company's principal place of business.

FairPoint Communications operates as a competitive telecommunications company as defined by Case No. TA-2000-515 within the State of Missouri.

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# WAIVER OF RULES AND REGULATIONS

Pursuant to Case No. TA-2000-515 the following statutes and rules have been waived for purposes of offering telecommunications services as set forth herein:

## **STATUTES**

Section 392.240(1)	Rates-reasonable average return on investment.
Section 392.270	Property valuation.
Section 392.280	Depreciation rates.
Section 392.290	Issuance of stocks and bonds.
Section 392.310	Issuance of stocks and bonds.
Section 392.320	Issuance of stocks and bonds.
Section 392.330	Issuance of stocks and bonds.
Section 392.340	Reorganization.

## **COMMISSION RULES**

4 CSR 240-10.020	Income on depreciation fund investments.
4 CSR 240-30.010(2)(C)	Posting exchange rates at central offices.
4 CSR 240-32.030(1)(B)	Exchange boundary maps.
4 CSR 240-32.030(1)(C)	Record of access lines.
4 CSR 240-32.030(2)	Records kept within state.
4 CSR 240-30.040	Uniform System of Accounts.
4 CSR 240-32.050(3-6)	Telephone directories.
4 CSR 240-32.070(4)	Coin directories.
4 CSR 240-33.030	Inform customers of lowest priced service.
4 CSR 240-33.040(5)	Finance fee.

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#### 1. APPLICATION OF TARIFF

This tariff contains the intrastate regulations and rates applicable to the provision of Intrastate Long Distance Message Telecommunications Service (ILDMTS) by FairPoint Communications Corporation (hereinafter referred to as the Company) within the State of Missouri, as specified herein.

The Company will provide interexchange telecommunications services and associated operator and directory assistance services to business and residential customers located throughout the State of Missouri. The Company will lease, or subscribe to and resell, various types of exchange and carrier access lines, including unbundled local loops, and intra-city intraLATA, interLATA, and interstate services and facilities of communications common carriers and other entities. Services and facilities to be resold include Message Telephone Service, Wide Area Telephone Service ("WATS"), WATS-like services, Foreign Exchange Service, private lines, switched and special access service, cellular service, PCS service, local switched service, unbundled local links or ports, switching services, information services, Internet services and other services and facilities of communications common carriers and other entities.

The Company may construct, lease or operate its own transmission and switching facilities, utilizing fiber optic, copper, carrier, microwave, digital, analog and other technologies, to connect customers to interexchange carrier Points-of-Presence or to other customers on an intracity, intraLATA or interLATA basis.

Facilities may be used for both switched and private line traffic and include the provision of local exchange service to business and residential customers. Any facilities constructed by the Company will be used separately or in conjunction with similar facilities provided by or obtained from other entities.

The Company's Service is furnished subject to transmission, atmospheric and like conditions. Service is offered pursuant to rates, terms and conditions set forth in this tariff. Service is offered via the company's facilities in combination with resold services provided by other certified carriers.

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## 3. REGULATIONS (continued)

# 3.5 Obligations of the Customer

- 3.5.1 The Customer shall be responsible for damages to the Company's facilities or that of its Local Exchange Carrier(s) caused by the act or omission of the Customer, its authorized users, officers, directors, employees, agents, contractors, licensees or invitees or any person or entity who gains access to the Service of the Customer through the negligence of the Customer.
- 3.5.2 The Customer shall provide access to the Customer's or Authorized User's premises by Company personnel for inspection, repair and/or removal of any facilities or equipment of the Company on a reasonable basis, twenty-four (24) hours per day, seven (7) days a week.
- 3.5.3 The Customer will guarantee the compliance by the Customer's Authorized User(s) with all provisions of this tariff and contractual obligations between the Customer and the Company. The Customer will be liable for the acts or omissions of its Authorized User(s) relative to compliance with the provisions of this tariff.

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# 3. REGULATIONS (continued)

# 3.8 Equipment

- 3.8.1 The Customer shall assume all responsibility for obtaining all necessary permits, authorizations or consents for interconnecting Customer-provided equipment and facilities with the Company's Service or facilities as well as ensuring that the Customer-provided equipment or facilities are properly interfaced with the Company's Service or equipment.
- 3.8.2 The Customer shall operate its equipment and facilities so as not to interfere with any other Customer's use of the Company's Service or equipment.
- 3.8.3 The Customer shall be responsible for the installation, operation or maintenance of any Customer-provided equipment. Where such equipment is connected to Service furnished by the Company pursuant to this tariff, the responsibility of the Company shall be limited to the furnishing of Services under this tariff and to the maintenance and operation of such Services in the proper manner. Subject to this responsibility, the Company shall not be responsible for the following:

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# 3. REGULATIONS (continued)

#### 3.10 Dedicated Access and Private Line Services

3.9.1 Rates for Dedicated Access, Private Lines and Centrex services will be determined on an Individual Case Basis (ICB). ICB rates will be structured to recover the Company's cost of providing the services and will be made available to customers in a non-discriminatory manner. Terms of specific ICB contracts will be made available to the Missouri Public Service Commission Staff upon request on a proprietary basis. ICB rates are not offered for switched access service.

# 3.11 Calculations of Billable Time (Usage Charges)

- 3.11.1 Unless otherwise specifically stated in this tariff, all calls, regardless of time period, lasting thirty (30) seconds or a fraction thereof, are subject to a minimum billing increment of thirty (30) seconds. Calls are billed in six (6) second increments thereafter, with partial seconds rounded up to the next full six (6) seconds.
- 3.11.2 Chargeable time begins when the connection is established between the calling station and the called telephone number and ends when the connection is terminated.
- 3.11.3 In determining usage charges, Peak/Off-Peak/Holiday rate periods, as defined in Section 5.1 of this tariff, apply, unless otherwise indicated, and are based on the time where the call originates. In cases where a call begins in one rate period and continues into another rate period, the rate in effect in each period will apply to the portion of the call occurring within the applicable rate period.
- 3.11.4 All per-call charges of fractional cents shall be rounded to the next full cent unless otherwise stated.

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### 4. SERVICE OFFERINGS (continued)

4.4.5 The Company will deactivate the Calling Card within twenty-four (24) hours after notification from the Customer. The notification can be in writing to the Company, or by contacting the Company's Customer Business Office.

# 4.5 Operator Services

- 4.5.1 Operator Service as provided by Company includes live operator and/or automated operator functions, for the purpose of assisting in the processing of telephone services such as: long distance via collect calls, calling card calls, or third-party billed calls. Company operators may be contacted by dialing 0+ the number desired or 0. Calls will be billed at Company MTS service rates as set forth in Section 5 plus the appropriate service charges.
- 4.5.2 In providing operator services, Company agrees that:
  - A. Company will not bill for incomplete calls where answer supervision is available and will remove any charge(s) for incomplete calls upon subscriber notification or carrier's knowledge of the charge(s) for incomplete calls.
  - B. Company will advise the caller and billed party (if different from the end user) that Company is the operator service provider at the time of the initial contact.
  - C. Company will provide rate quotes, including all rate components and any additional charges, upon request, at no charge.

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# 4. SERVICE OFFERINGS (continued)

### 4.5 Operator Services (continued)

- D. Company will allow only tariff charges approved by the Commission, or otherwise allowed by law for the provision of operator services, to appear on billings rendered by local exchange companies (LECs) on behalf of carrier and will not collect location surcharges imposed by traffic aggregations.
- E. Company will arrange for listings of its name on a LEC's billing of Company's charges, if the LEC has multi-carrier bill listing capability.
- F. Company will employ reasonable calling card verification procedures which are acceptable to the companies issuing the calling cards which it determines to be invalid or cards which it is unable to verify.
- G. Company will direct all "0" emergency calls to the local exchange carrier (LEC) at no charge.
- H. Company's contracts with traffic aggregators will contain provisions which:
  - 1. Prohibit the blocking of access to an end user's interexchange carrier of choice;

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- 4. SERVICE OFFERINGS (continued)
  - 4.8 <u>Directory Assistance</u>
    - 4.8.1 Long Distance Directory Assistance is available to Customers of Company's switched services. The Charges applies to each call regardless of whether the Directory Assistance Bureau is able to furnish the requested telephone number. Up to two requests may be made on each Directory Assistance call.
    - 4.8.2 A credit allowance for a Directory Assistance call will be provided if the Customer experiences poor transmission quality, receives an incorrect telephone number, or inadvertently misdials the intended Directory Assistance number.
    - 4.8.3 Usage Charges.

Refer to Section 5.7 Usage Charges.

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- 5. RATES (continued)
  - 5.2 <u>Direct Dialed Domestic Service</u> (continued)
    - 5. Rate per Minute:

Peak Period \$.15 per minute Off Peak Period: \$.15 per minute

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