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May 22, 2019

VIA ECFS

Kris Monteith
Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau
Federal Communication Commission
445 12th Street S.W.
Washington, DC 20554

CC Docket No. 02-33

RE: Notification of Discontinuance of Tariffed Wireline Broadband Internet Transport Service (WBITS) and Consumer Broadband-Only Loop (CBOL) and Initiation of Provision on a Permissive Detariffed Basis by:

**Northwest Telephone Cooperative Association SAC 351261 FRN#0003722998
Ayrshire Farmers Mutual Telephone Company SAC 351105 FRN#0003722949**

Dear Ms. Monteith:

Northwest Telephone Cooperative Association and Ayrshire Farmers Mutual Telephone Company ("Companies") respectfully files the attached notice pursuant to *Wireline Broadband Order* of the intent of the Companies to discontinue its WBITS and CBOL offerings in NECA Tariff F.C.C. No.5 effective July 2, 2019. Upon discontinuance of the tariffed offerings, the Companies will provide WBITS and CBOL on a common-carrier non-tariff basis. See *Appropriate Framework for Broadband Access to the Internet over Wireline Facilities, Universal Service Obligations of Broadband Providers*, CC Docket No. 05-271, Report and Order and Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 2 FCC Rcd 14853 (2005), FCC 05-150 (Rel. Sept. 23, 2005), (*Wireline Broadband Order*).

Any questions regarding the notice may be directed to Don Miller, CEO, Northwest Telephone Cooperative Association, 844 Wood Street, Havelock, IA 50546, 712-776-2222.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Don Miller".

Don Miller
CEO

CC: Reynolds Schultheis Consulting, Inc.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the foregoing Notice of Detariffing Broadband Internet Transport Service (WBITS) and Consumer Broadband-Only Loop (CBOL) was served this 22 day of May 2019, by mailing true and correct copies thereof, postage prepaid, to the following:

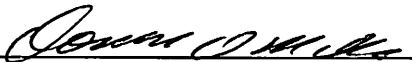
Secretary of Defense
Attn: Special Assistant for Telecommunications
1000 Defense Pentagon
Washington, D.C. 20301-1000

Governor Kim Reynolds
Office of the Governor
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1007 East Grand Avenue
Des Moines, IA 50319

Iowa Utilities Board
Attn: Telecommunications Division
1375 East Court Avenue
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**Notice of Permissive Detariffing of Wireline Broadband Internet Transport Service
and Consumer Broadband-Only Loop Service
Effective July 2, 2019**

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Northwest Telephone Cooperative Association and Ayrshire Farmers Mutual Telephone Company (“Companies”) hereby provides notice that it plans to terminate provision of Wireline Broadband Internet Transport Service (WBITS) and Consumer Broadband-Only Loop (CBOL) on a tariffed basis effective July 2, 2019 at which time it plans to offer permissive detariffed WBITS and CBOL on a common-carriage basis pursuant to paragraph 94 of the Federal Communications Commission’s *Wireline Broadband Order*¹ The Companies currently offer WBITS through Asymmetric Digital Subscriber Line (“ADSL”) and Symmetric Digital Subscriber Line (“SDSL”) Access Service and CBOL under NECA Tariff F.C.C. No. 5.

The Companies requested NECA to remove the Companies as a carrier listed in NECA Tariff F.C.C. Tariff No. 5 as a provider of WBITS and CBOL effective July 2, 2019.

Impact on Customers

The only customer for the Companies WBITS is the affiliated non-regulated Internet Service Provider (“ISP”) operation. The affiliate purchases WBITS for use as a component in its broadband internet service sold to consumers and business customers. The discontinuance of the tariffed offerings of WBITS will have no effect on the end user service provided by the Companies. Currently there is no demand for CBOL service.

Serving Area

The Companies provision of WBITS and CBOL is limited to rural Iowa.

Future Availability of WBITS and CBOL on a Permissive-Detariffed Common Carriage Basis

The Companies will continue to make WBITS and CBOL available on a common-carriage basis through posting of rates, terms and conditions on its Internet website in a manner like that required for interstate and international interexchange services under Section 42.10 of the FCC’s Rules (47 C.F.R. § 42.10).

¹ See *Appropriate Framework for Broadband Access to the Internet over Wireline Facilities, Universal Service Obligations of Broadband Providers*, CC Docket No. 05-271, Report and Order and Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 2 FCC Rcd 14853 (2005), FCC 05-150 (Rel. Sept. 23, 2005), (*Wireline Broadband Order*).

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WBITS – CBOL DETARIFFING TIMELINE

May 22, 2019

30-Day Notification filed with the following:

Federal Communications Commission (under CC Docket No. 02-33)
Special Assistant for Telecommunications at the Department of Defense
The Honorable Kim Reynolds, Governor of Iowa
Iowa Utilities Board
National Exchange Carrier

May 22, 2019

Notice to Customers

As indicated above, the only customer for WBITS and CBOL is the Companies' affiliated non-regulated ISP operation. The 30-day notice to the affiliate ISP will be provided by interoffice e-mail with this notice attached.

June 17, 2019

Expected filing by NECA on 15-day notice of a tariff transmittal that will include, *inter alia*, removal of the Companies' from the list of issuing carrier offering ADSL and SDSL Access Service and CBOL.

July 2, 2019

Planned NECA tariff filing to become effective. Beginning on this date the Companies will no longer offer WBITS and CBOL under NECA Tariff F.C.C. No. 5.

July 2, 2019 Forward

WBITS and CBOL available on a common-carriage non-tariffed basis under rates, terms and conditions posted at www.northwest.coop and ayrshireia.com.