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Intrastate Access Reform
TO: Commissioners
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On May 30, 2012, Choice One Communications d/b/a EarthLink Business ("Choice One") filed changes to its NH Intrastate Access Service rate schedule, to comply with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Report and Order FCC 11-161. On June 8, 2012 Choice One filed supplemental information in support of the filing.

FCC Order 11-161 requires that CLECs reduce their revenue from intrastate switched access rates by one half of the difference between the revenue from intrastate access as recorded during the fiscal year October 1, 2010 through September 30, 2011 (FY 2011), and the revenue that would have been produced using interstate rates and FY 2011 intrastate demand. Carriers are allowed to calculate the allowed revenue and create a rate design to produce the allowed revenue.

Staff reviewed the Choice One filing, and determined that the proposed revisions are consistent with the requirements of the FCC Order.

Staff therefore recommends that this filing be allowed to go into effect as proposed, on July 1, 2012.