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Mr. Patrick D.Crocker, Crocker & Crocker, PC 107 West Michigan Ave., Fourth Floor Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Re:

DT 12-178, BCN Telecom, Inc Intrastate Access Reform Tariff

Dear Mr. Crocker:

On July 2, 2012, you filed on behalf of BCN Telecom, Inc. (BCN) proposed rate changes to revise intrastate access rates to comply with the requirements of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) in its order, Connect America Fund et al., WC Docket No. 10-90 et al., Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 26 FCC Rcd 17663 (2011). The proposed revisions address the requirement that carriers reduce their intrastate access revenues, and were proposed to take effect on July 3, 2012. On September 27, 2012, BCN submitted its worksheet in support of the filing as required by the Commission.

Staff reviewed these revisions and concluded that they are consistent with the FCC's requirements. The Commission has accepted Staff's recommendation that the rates conform to the requirements of the FCC's order. Further, the Commission has accepted Staff's recommendation that although the price sheet and accompanying worksheet was submitted after the July 1, 2012 deadline established by the FCC, the rates in the price sheet should go into effect on July 3, 2012 as proposed, consistent with the requirement of RSA 378:2 that schedules filed pursuant to the requirements of a duly constituted federal authority conform, as nearly as may be, with the requirements of that authority. Lastly, consistent with Staff's recommendation, to the extent BCN may have billed rates after July 3, 2012 that are higher than those in its July 2, 2012 submission, BCN shall credit its customers any difference.

Sincerely,

Debra A. Howland (KNS)

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