

May 24, 2017

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Marlene Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Washington, D.C. 20554

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Re: CC Docket No. 02-33 - Notice of Permissive Detariffing of WBIAS

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to the *Wireline Broadband* Order¹, Alliance Communications Cooperative, Inc. (Alliance), including NECA Study Areas 351405, 361405, 391405, 391642, and 391657, issuing carrier for the National Exchange Carrier Association (NECA) F.C.C. Tariff No. 5, respectfully files the attached notice of its intent to discontinue Wireline Broadband Internet Access Service (WBIAS) effective on July 1, 2017. Alliance will provide WBIAS on a common-carrier non-tariffed basis after July 1, 2017.

The customer notice will be mailed today, May 24, 2017, informing them of this change and providing our corporate office location and web address where they can view a description of the changes and obtain more information. A copy of the customer notice letter is attached as Attachment A.

Any questions regarding the filing may be directed to Larry Hettinger at (605) 990-3584 or by email at <u>larryhettinger@heartlandcnsltng.com</u>.

Sincerely

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Ross Petrick General Manager

Attachments

cc: The Honorable Dennis Daugaard, Governor of South Dakota
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
Special Assistant for Telecommunications at the Department of Defense
National Exchange Carrier Association

¹Appropriate Framework for Broadband Access to the Internet Over Wireline Facilities Universal Service obligations of Broadband Providers, Report and order and notice of Proposed Rulemaking, CC Docket No. 02-33, 20 FCC Red 1485 (2005) (Wireline Broadband Order).

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the foregoing Notification of Discontinuance of tariffed DSL offering pursuant to NECA Tariff F.C.C. No. 5 was served on May 24, 2017 by U.S. mail to the following:

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

The Honorable Dennis Daugaard Office of the Governor 500 East Capitol Avenue Pierre, SD 57501

Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen, Executive Director South Dakota Public Utilities Commission Capitol Building, First Floor 500 East Capitol Avenue Pierre, SD 57501-5070

National Exchange Carrier Association 80 South Jefferson Road Whippany, NJ 07981

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Alliance Internet Services P.O. Box 349 612 Third Street Garretson, SD 57030

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Re: CUSTOMER NOTICE OF CHANGE IN DSL SERVICES

Dear Valued Alliance Customer:

This is to inform you of the following changes to our tariff for DSL services. These changes address services for Alliance Communications Cooperative, Inc. (Alliance), including NECA Study Areas 351405, 361405, 391405, 391642, and 391657, and will be effective on July 1, 2017. This will impact all of our NECA Study Areas.

Effective July 1, 2017, Alliance will no longer offer DSL services under the NECA F.C.C. No. 5 Tariff. Alliance will offer ADSL and SDSL wireline broadband internet transmission services on a detariffed common carrier basis.

To learn more on the rates, terms and conditions either come by our corporate office during normal business hours located at:

Alliance Communications Cooperative, Inc. 612 Third Street Garretson, SD (605) 594-3411

Or you may go to the following website for more information: http://www.alliancecom.net.

We believe with these new changes, Alliance continues to be competitive in the marketplace while providing high-speed Internet services for their communities.

Sincerely,

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Ross Petrick, General Manager

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