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**TO:** DIRECTOR, DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING (BAYC)

**FROM:** DIVISION OF COMMUNICATIONS (HAWKINS) *Perkins*  
DIVISION OF LEGAL SERVICES (VACCARO) *OV*

**RE:** DOCKET NO. 000166-TL - REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF TARIFF FILING TO CHANGE RATES FOR DID (DIRECT INWARD DIALING) NUMBER OFFERING FROM BLOCKS OF 100 NUMBERS TO INDIVIDUAL NUMBERS BY QUINCY TELEPHONE COMPANY d/b/a TDS TELECOM/QUINCY TELEPHONE. (T-0191 FILED 2/4/00)

**AGENDA:** 02/29/2000 - REGULAR AGENDA - TARIFF FILING - INTERESTED PERSONS MAY PARTICIPATE

**CRITICAL DATES:** 30-DAY SUSPENSION DATE: WAIVED BY THE COMPANY

**SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:** NONE

**FILE NAME AND LOCATION:** G:\PSC\CMC\WP\000166.RCM

### CASE BACKGROUND

Quincy Telephone Company d/b/a TDS Telecom/Quincy Telephone (The Company or TDS) filed a tariff to change rates for DID (Direct Inward Dialing) number offering from blocks of 100 numbers to individual numbers. The tariff is included as Attachment A. The company requested an effective date of March 9, 2000.

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**ISSUE 1:** Should TDS' proposed tariff filing to change rates for DID (Direct Inward Dialing) number offering from blocks of 100 numbers to individual numbers be approved?

**RECOMMENDATION:** Yes. The proposed tariff filing to change rates for DID (Direct Inward Dialing) number offering from blocks of 100 numbers to individual numbers should be approved, with an effective date of March 9, 2000. (HAWKINS)

**STAFF ANALYSIS:** As previously stated, TDS proposes to change the present DID number offering from blocks of 100 numbers to individual numbers. Changing the number structuring will allow customers to order the exact number of DID numbers they need. This filing will also change the text for DID conditions to the standard language used in TDS' new DID tariffs.

As stated in this filing, there is no cost associated with this change. The proposed rate per number will have only a minimal impact (slight increase) on customers and revenue. Customers will pay a monthly rate of \$4.70 for DID trunk termination, along with a non-recurring charge of \$27.00. Customers will also be charged \$.55 for DID Number Assignment. TDS proposes to use only standard equipment and serving arrangements. When equipment or service of a special type is requested and provided, rates and charges are related to the costs involved to meet the individual requirements of each case.

TDS' proposal to provide DID service is subject to the availability of facilities and compatibility of customer-provided equipment. DID service provides for the completion of local and toll calls to associated station numbers without intermediate handling by an attendant. The service includes central office switching equipment for in-dialing from the exchange and toll network directly to stations associated with customer premises equipment.

In this filing, TDS states that it shall not be responsible for any changes in equipment, operations or procedures utilized by the Company in provisioning DID services that result in any customer owned equipment being rendered obsolete, requiring modification, or otherwise affecting its performance.

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Further, this filing states that "Directory Listings" will be provided in accordance with TDS' tariff. DID numbers furnished by TDS herein are not entitled to free directory listing, and the customer will be responsible for all toll calls billed to the DID numbers. Lastly, DID numbers will be sold only in conjunction with DID service only.

Staff believes that this proposed tariff should be approved because it allows more customer flexibility.

**ISSUE 2:** Should this docket be closed?

**RECOMMENDATION:** Yes. If the Commission approves staff's recommendation in Issue 1, this tariff should become effective on March 9, 2000. If a protest is filed within 21 days from the issuance date of the Order, this tariff should remain in effect pending resolution of the protest with any revenues held subject to refund. If no timely protest is filed, this docket should be closed. (VACCARO)

**STAFF ANALYSIS:** If the Commission approves staff's recommendation in Issue 1, this tariff should become effective on March 9, 2000. If a protest is filed within 21 days from the issuance date of the Order, this tariff should remain in effect, pending resolution of the protest with any revenues held subject to refund. If no timely protest is filed, this docket should be closed.

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PRIVATE BRANCH EXCHANGE SERVICE

F. DIRECT INWARD DIALING (DID) SERVICE

1. General

The Telephone Company will provide, subject to the availability of facilities, Direct Inward Dialing (DID) Service. DID service provides for the completion of local and toll calls to associated station numbers without intermediate handling by an attendant.

2. Rates

a. The rates and charges for central office trunk associated with Direct Inward Dialing (DID) Service are as found below:

	<u>Monthly Rate</u>	<u>NRC</u>
1. Direct Inward Dialing Trunk Termination per DID Trunk, each	\$14.70*	\$27.50**
2. DID Number Assignment Charge (per number)	\$0.55	-

\* Associated monthly rates for trunks are applicable.

\*\*These charges are in addition to all applicable service connections charges as found in Section A4.

3. Conditions

- a. The service is furnished subject to the availability of Central Office facilities and compatibility of customer-provided equipment.
- b. The service includes central office switching equipment for in-dialing from the exchange and toll network directly to stations associated with customer premises equipment.

(M)-Material previously appeared on Sheet 17 of this Section.

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- c. The rates herein contemplate the use of standard Telephone Company equipment and serving arrangements and are in addition to rates and charges for the service with which it is furnished. When equipment or service of a special type is requested and provided, rates and charges are related to the costs involved to meet the individual requirements of each case.
- d. Operational characteristics of interface signals between the Telephone Company-provided connecting arrangements and the customer-provided equipment must conform to the rules and regulations the Telephone Company considers necessary to maintain proper standards of service.
- e. The Telephone Company shall not be responsible if changes in any of the equipment, operations, or procedures of the Company utilized in the provisioning of DID services render any facilities provided by the customer obsolete or require modification of such equipment or system, or otherwise affect its use or performance.
- f. Directory listings will be provided in accordance with the regulations of the "Directory Listings" section of this Tariff. DID numbers furnished herein are not entitled to free directory listings.
- g. Customer-provided equipment must be arranged by the customer to provide for the intercepting of assigned but unused station numbers.
- h. The customer being provided DID service will be responsible for all toll calls billed to the DID numbers.
- i. DID numbers will be sold in conjunction with DID service only.

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