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Re: In the Matter of Adopting Expanded Eligibility Criteria for LifeLine and Link-Up and Certification, Verification, and Record Keeping Requirements, Docket No. T-00000A-05-0380

Dear Sir or Madam:

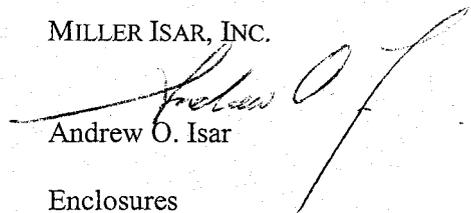
Pursuant to ordering paragraphs 1 and 2 of the Arizona Corporation Commission's ("Commission") June 21, 2005 *Order*, Decision No. 67941, in the above-referenced matter ("Order"), enclosed are an original and (13) thirteen copies of Telscape Communications, Inc.'s amendments to its Arizona C.C. Tariff No. 1. With this filing, Telscape incorporates Commission-directed amendments, which reflect compliance with the Federal Communications Commission's LifeLine Order, as set forth in the Commission's Order.

Please acknowledge receipt of this filing by date stamping and returning the additional copy of this transmittal letter in the self-addressed, postage paid envelope enclosed for this purpose.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Questions regarding this filing may be directed to the undersigned.

Sincerely,

MILLER ISAR, INC.



Andrew O. Isar

Enclosures

cc: Jeff Compton, Telscape Communications, Inc.

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SECTION 3 - DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE, Continued

3.3. RESIDENTIAL LOW INCOME ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

3.3.1. Company provides subsidized LinkUp and LifeLine telephone assistance to eligible low income residential Customers at rates set forth in Section 4.3, below.

3.3.2. Eligibility. To qualify for Company's LifeLine telephone assistance, Customers must demonstrate participation in one or more of the following programs:

Medicaid, food stamps, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), federal public housing assistance or Section 8 (Federal Housing Assistance Program administered by the Department of Urban Development), Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), the Temporary Assistance to Needy Families program (TANF), the National School Lunch free lunch program (NSL), State Children Health Insurance Plan (SCHIP or "KIDSCARE"), or

Demonstrate household income that is at or below 150% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines.

3.3.3. To receive benefits, Customers must sign, under penalty of perjury, a document certifying that

A. The Customer receives benefits from one or more of the programs listed in section 3.3.2., above, or that the Customer is at or below 150% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines.

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- 3.3.3. To receive benefits, Customers must sign, under penalty of perjury, a document certifying that
- A. The Customer receives benefits from one or more of the programs listed in section 3.3.2., above, or that the Customer is at or below 150% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines.
 - B. The Customer must provide the name of the program from which the Customer is receiving benefits or provide supporting documentation demonstrating household income at or below 150% of the federal Poverty Guidelines. Supporting documents must include one of the following:
 - 1. a prior year's state, federal, or tribal tax return;
 - 2. current income statement from an employer or paycheck stub;
 - 3. Social Security statement of benefits;
 - 4. Veteran's Administration statement of benefits;
 - 5. retirement or pension statement of benefits;
 - 6. Unemployment/Workman's Compensation statement of benefits;
 - 7. Bureau of Indian Affairs general assistance program; and
 - 8. divorce decree or child support document¹
 - C. Customer will notify the Company in writing if Customer no longer participates in one or more of the above programs or if Customer's household income exceeds 150% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines.

¹ If Customer elects to submit documentation other than a prior year tax return, Customer must present three consecutive months of alternative supporting documentation selected, with dates within the most recent prior twelve consecutive months.

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3.3. RESIDENTIAL LOW INCOME ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS, Continued

- 3.3.4. As a participant in LifeLine assistance, Customer is eligible to receive Toll Restriction at no additional charge. Toll Restriction will provided only upon Customer Request
- 3.3.5. Deposit requirements are waived when Residential LifeLine Service Customers voluntarily receive Toll Restriction.
- 3.3.6. Residential LifeLine Service Customers will not be disconnected from local service for non-payment of toll charges. Company will not deny re-establishment of local service to Customers who are eligible for LifeLine assistance and have previously been disconnected for non-payment of toll charges. Reconnection will provide access to local calling only, unless and until payment of all charges dues for outstanding toll billing, including late charges and applicable interest, is made. Residential LifeLine Service will not be connected if an outstanding balance is owed by the Customer for local service.
- 3.3.7. Partial payments that are received from Residential LifeLine Service Customers will first be applied to local service charges and then to any outstanding toll charges.
- 3.3.8. Verification of customer continuing eligibility shall be via statistically valid sampling performed by the Company on an annual basis.
- 3.3.9. Records are to be maintained by the Company pursuant to Arizona Corporation Commission Decision No. FCC 04-87, and paragraphs 38 and 39 of FCC Order No. FCC 04-87.

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SECTION 3 - DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE, Continued**3.3. RESIDENTIAL LOW INCOME ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS, Continued**

- 3.3.10. Company shall use reasonable efforts to safeguard personal information provided by a Customer in conjunction with an application for Company's LinkUp and LifeLine assistance programs, and properly determine a Customer's eligibility to participate in the Company's LinkUp and LifeLine assistance programs. The Company shall not be liable to a Customer for any damages – actual, consequential, or punitive – arising as a result of the Company's accidental or unintentional disclosure of a Customer's personal information provided in connection with an application for the Company's LinkUp and LifeLine assistance programs to a third party or the Company's erroneous determination regarding a Customer's eligibility or ineligibility to participate in the Company's LinkUp and LifeLine assistance programs. In the event the Company erroneously denies a Customer's application to participate in such programs, the Customer shall be entitled to a bill credit equal to the amount of the monthly discount applied from the date of the customer's application through the date of actual enrollment in the programs.

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SECTION 4 – RATES, Continued

4.3 RESIDENTIAL LIFELINE SERVICE

4.3.1 Applicability

These rates are applicable to local exchange services provided to eligible low-income residential Subscribers, as set forth in section 3.3., above.

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4.3.2. Territory

Within the base rate areas of all exchanges as shown and defined in the current and effective tariffs of Qwest on file with the Arizona Corporation Commission.

4.3.3. LinkUp

LinkUp subsidizes an eligible Customer's service connection charge. Eligible Customers receive a credit for half of the service Connection charge up to \$30.00.

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4.3.4. LifeLine

LifeLine subsidizes eligible Customers' recurring monthly local service charges, and apply exclusively to a principal residence. Second or subsequent LifeLine credits apply exclusively to a principal residence with a different address from the previous address at which LinkUp was provided. Recurring LifeLine rates are set forth below.

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