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Arizona Corporation Commission Docket Control Center 1200 West Washington Street Phoenix, Arizona 85007

T-20924A-17-0010

Re: <u>Notice of Modification to the Lifeline Service Offering American Broadband and</u> Telecommunications Company and Tariff Revisions

Dear Sir or Madam:

American Broadband and Telecommunications Company (American Broadband or the Company) has been designated by the Arizona Corporation Commission (Commission) as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier for the provision of wireless Lifeline services.¹ On December 6, 2016, the Company notified the Commission that in order to comply with the new minimum service standard requirements adopted in the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC's) 2016 Lifeline Modernization Order,² effective December 2, 2016, American Broadband began offering the following service plans to Lifeline-eligible subscribers in Arizona: 500 MB of data + 125 voice minutes per month at no charge to Lifeline-eligible consumers; and 500 voice minutes + 125 text messages per month at no charge to Lifeline-eligible consumers.

Due to market considerations, American Broadband has decided to modify its Lifeline offering so that all subscribers will receive 500 voice minutes, 500 text messages, and 500 MB or broadband data each month, at no cost to the subscriber. Revised tariff pages reflecting these changes are enclosed with this notice. This information will also be reflected in American

¹ Application of American Broadband and Telecommunications Company for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier for the Sole Purpose of Receiving Federal Universal Lifeline Support in Specified Geographic Areas, Docket No. T-20924A-15-0068, Order, Decision No. 75416 (Jan. 19, 2016).

² See Lifeline and Link Up Reform and Modernization; Telecommunications Carriers Eligible for Universal Service Support; Connect America Fund, WC Docket Nos. 11-42, 09-197, 10-90, Third Report and Order, Further Report and Order, and Order on Reconsideration, FCC 16-38 (Apr. 27, 2016) (Lifeline Modernization Order).

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Broadband's amended Terms and Conditions, which will be available on the Company's website, https://www.americanassistance.com/.

In accordance with the Order granting American Broadband's ETC application, it is the Company's understanding that no further notice or approval is required from the Commission in connection with these modifications.

Please contact the undersigned at (312) 857-7087 if you have any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosure

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The pages of this tariff are effective as of the date shown at the bottom of the respective page(s). Original and revised pages as named below contain all changes from the original tariff pages that are in effect as of the date on the bottom of this page.

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SECTION II -- DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE (cont.)

2.9 Lifeline Service Plans

- 2.9.1 The Company's Lifeline brand and trade name in Arizona is "American Assistance."
- 2.9.2 All Lifeline plans include a free handset, free calls to 911 Emergency Services, free calls to and from Company Customer Service; free balance inquiries, free Caller ID, free Call Waiting, free Three-Way Calling, free Voicemail, and domestic long distance calling at no extra per-minute charge. Caller ID may display both the Lifeline Subscriber's billing name and their wireless number when placing outbound calls. Company does not have the ability to block Lifeline Subscribers' name and number when making outbound calls.
- 2.9.2 Lifeline Subscribers will be able to call 611 (Customer Service) and 911 (Emergency) regardless of their minutes balance. Calls to these numbers are not counted towards usage.
- 2.9.3 Lifeline Subscribers are responsible for paying all charges including, but not limited to 1) charges for optional Service features selected by the Lifeline Subscriber; 2) all applicable surcharges, fees, taxes, and regulatory charges related to basic and optional Service(s) selected by Lifeline Subscriber. Lifeline Subscribers are responsible for all charges applicable to Lifeline Subscriber handset service.
- 2.9.4 Changes to a surcharge, fee or tax will become effective as provided by the taxing authority and changes to applicable contribution amounts for the USF and other regulatory charges shall become effective immediately.
- 2.9.5 Eligible Lifeline Subscribers may elect one (1) of the following Service plans:
 - (i) 500 voice minutes + 500 text messages + 500 MB of data per month at no charge to Lifeline-eligible consumers;
 - (ii) the ability to apply the \$9.25 Lifeline credit to a non-Lifeline package with unlimited minutes of voice telephone and text messages at a low monthly rate, in addition to its non-Lifeline packages.

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The plans offered by the Company do not offer roll over voice minutes or roll over text messages, month to month.

Additional Minutes Plans ("Top-Ups")

Lifeline Subscribers may purchase additional minutes plans on a nonrecurring basis. Unused minutes and messages expire at the end of Lifeline Subscribers' monthly period and may not be used in subsequent months. If Lifeline Subscribers use all of their monthly voice minutes and messages before a new monthly cycle starts and they add an Additional Minutes Plan to their account, they will be charged based on the Additional Minutes Plan they choose for voice calls and messages. Even following purchase of an additional minutes plan, if Lifeline Subscriber uses all of the minutes included in the plan, Lifeline Subscriber will not have the ability to make calls or send receive messages, except to place 911 calls, until another additional minutes plan is purchased or a new monthly cycle starts. The current supplemental minute offering are as follows:

Units	Price		
100 Text	\$0.99		
100 Talk	\$3.99		
200 Talk	\$6.99		
500 Talk	\$12.99		
100 Talk / Text	\$4.99		
250 Talk / Text	\$9.99		
500 Talk / Text	\$15.99		
1000 Talk / Text	\$24.99		

Talk & Text Top Ups-

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