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TO: PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

FROM: DIVISION OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

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SUBJECT: Emery Telecom, Inc.

Docket No. 08-042-T01 Dated November 14, 2008

RECOMMENDATION: approve

The Division recommends that the Commission approve this tariff filing.

ISSUE:

The purpose of this filing is to standardize some forms of switched service, establish a Centrex offering and provide Ethernet Transport Service.

Digital Switched Service offerings

Emery ("Emery") is requesting the change in the tariff to standardize previous forms of switched services as well as adding a previously unoffered ISDN PRI. Standardizing these rates will reduce costs to customers by approximately \$174 and allow Emery the potential to capture additional customers with the ISDN PRI offering.

Switch Upgrades

The tariff filed by Emery establishes Internet Protocol ("IP") Centrex as well as a traditional Centrex offering along with Ethernet Transport Service ("ETS"). With the upgrading of Emery's switches to "soft switches", Emery can offer IP services to all customers. Other network upgrades allow an ETS solution for some customers. The tariff reflects these new capabilities and proposed rates for these services.



BACKGROUND:

This filing does not result in the increase of any rate presently being charged to a customer of Carbon/Emery Telecom, Inc and falls within the provision of *Utah Code* § 54-7-12(4), as amended and, therefore, could become effective without the necessity of a hearing before the Commission.

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