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IN THE MATTER OF AN ORDER	)		
APPROVING UTILITY ARTICLES	)	APPROVED:	
PURSUANT TO 170 IAC 1-6.	)		AUG 2 2 2012

## ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

The Indiana Administrative Code provides for Thirty-Day Administrative Filing Procedures and Guidelines pursuant to the authority of Ind. Code 8-1-1-3 and Ind. Code 8-1-2-42. The thirty-day filing process is available for certain routine and non-controversial requests to facilitate expedited consideration of these matters by the Commission. The rule sets forth the requirements for the thirty-day administrative filings.

The thirty-day filings received pursuant to 170 IAC 1-6 and ripe for Commission action are attached hereto and collectively referred to as the Utility Articles. There are no controversial filings in the Utility Articles approved today.

Pursuant to the rule, the Commission Technical Divisions have submitted their recommendations to the Commission. Therefore, the Commission finds that the requirements of 170 IAC 1-6 have been met and that the Utility Articles attached are hereby approved.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

## ATTERHOLT, LANDIS, MAYS AND ZIEGNER CONCUR; BENNETT ABSENT:

**APPROVED:** 

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I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the Order as approved.

Brenda A. Howe

Secretary to the Commission

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## **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Chairman James D. Atterholt

Commissioners Ziegner, Landis, Mays, and Bennett

FROM:

Commission Technical Divisions

DATE:

August 17, 2012

RE:

30-Day Utility Articles for Conference on Wednesday, August 22, 2012 @ 2:00 P.M.

The following thirty-day filings have been submitted to the Commission. Each item was reviewed by the appropriate Commission Technical Divisions and all regulations were met in accordance with 170 IAC 1-6 Thirty-Day Administrative Filing Procedures and Guidelines. Therefore, the following filings listed below and attached hereto are recommended to be considered by the Commission at the next conference:

Attachment <u>Number</u>	30-Day <u>Filing No.</u>	Name of Utility Company	Type of Request	Date Received
1	3022	US Xchange LLC d/b/a EarthLink Business	Intrastate Access Tariff Changes	06/05/2012

Submitted By: Pamela D. Taber Director, Communications Division

Filing Party:

US Xchange LLC d/b/a EarthLink Business

30-Day Filing ID No.:

3022

Date Filed:

June 5, 2012. Amended cover letter and tariff pages received August 13.

Filed Pursuant To:

FCC "USF-ICC Transformation Order" (released Nov. 18, 2012) and related FCC rules<sup>1</sup>; IURC staff guidance letter (May 24, 2012);

Cause Nos. 44004 and 39369; 170 IAC 1-6-3(5).

Request:

The purpose of this 30-Day Filing is to implement certain intrastate (IURC) access revenue reductions for the Transitional Intrastate Access Service, as mandated by the FCC in the November 18, 2011 "USF-ICC Transformation Order." The FCC Order adopts a transitional intercarrier compensation framework that reduces terminating intrastate access rates to parity with interstate access rates by July 2013. The instant filing represents the first step in this transitional process and reduces terminating intrastate access rates effective July 3, 2012, to achieve an aggregate decrease in intrastate access revenue of at least one half of the difference between the interstate and intrastate revenues received in 2011. These rate reductions apply only to rates charged to interexchange (long distance) carriers; they do not affect retail rates.

Retail Customer Impact: N/A

Tariff Page(s) Affected:

I.U.R.C. Tariff No. 3 – various pages.

**Staff Recommendations:** Requirements met. Recommend approval.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In the Matter of Connect America Fund, et al., Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, WC Docket Nos. 10-90, at al. (FCC 11-161, released Nov. 18, 2011).