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Ms. Irene Asbury, Secretary  
New Jersey Board of Public Utilities  
44 South Clinton Avenue  
Trenton, NJ 08625-0350

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RE: First Communications, LLC, Tariff Advice Letter No. 14

Dear Secretary Asbury:

First Communications, LLC submits to the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities an original and five (5) copies of amended Sheet Nos. 2 and 51 to First Communications, LLC's ("First") New Jersey switched access tariff, New Jersey Tariff No. 2, for incorporation into the Company's Tariff.

This submission is made pursuant to the Federal Communications Commission's ("FCC") *Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking*, in Docket Nos. WC Docket No. 10-90, et al., FCC 11-161,<sup>1</sup> *Second Order on Reconsideration* in Docket Nos. WC Docket No. 10-90, et al., FCC 12-47,<sup>2</sup> and Sections 51.911 and 61.26(c)<sup>3</sup> of the FCC's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§51.911, 61.26(c).

First complies with the above cited orders and rules by reducing its terminating intrastate access rate through adoption of the corresponding The Verizon Telephone Companies' amended terminating access rates set forth in The Verizon Telephone Companies' Tariff F.C.C. No. 1, effective July 1, 2016 now reflected in First's New Jersey Tariff No. 2. A July 1, 2015 effective date is requested to enable the Company to comply with the above cited orders and rule.

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<sup>1</sup> *Connect America Fund et al., WC Dkt. No. 10-90 et al., Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking*, FCC 11-161 (rel. Nov. 18, 2011) (*USF/ICC Transformation Order*), *pets. for review pending, Direct Comm'ns Cedar Valley, LLC v. FCC*, No. 11-9581 (10th Cir. filed Dec. 8, 2011) (and consolidated cases).

<sup>2</sup> *Id., Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking*, FCC 12-47 (rel. April 25, 2014)

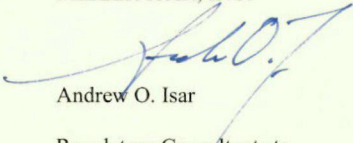
<sup>3</sup> Pursuant to Section 61.26(c), "The benchmark rate for a CLEC's switched exchange access services will be the rate charged for similar services by the competing ILEC. If an ILEC to which a CLEC benchmarks its rates, pursuant to this section, lowers the rate to which a CLEC benchmarks, the CLEC must revise its rates to the lower level **within 15 days of the effective date of the lowered ILEC rate.**" [Emphasis supplied].

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Please acknowledge receipt of this filing by file-stamping the additional copy of this letter and returning it in the self-addressed stamped envelope provided for this purpose. Thank you for your attention to this matter. Questions may be directed to the undersigned.

Sincerely,

MILLER ISAR, INC.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "A. O. Isar", written over a horizontal line.

Andrew O. Isar

Regulatory Consultants to  
First Communications, LLC

Enclosure

## COMPETITIVE ACCESS PROVIDER SERVICES TARIFF

## CHECK SHEET

Sheets of this rate sheet are effective as of the date shown at the bottom of the respective sheet(s). Original and revised sheets as named below comprise all changes from the original rate sheet and are currently in effect as of the date on the bottom of this sheet.

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6	Original	29	1 <sup>st</sup> Revised	49	Original
7	Original	29.1	Original	50	5 <sup>th</sup> Revised
8	Original	29.2	Original	51	3 <sup>rd</sup> Revised*
9	Original	29.3	Original	52	Original
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Effective: July 1, 2016

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**SECTION 5 - SWITCHED ACCESS RATES, (Cont' d.)**

**5.4 Rates and Charges, (Cont'd.)**

5.4.2 Terminating Access

1. Switched Transport

<b>Zone</b>	<b>Tandem Switched Transport - Termination, per Minute</b>	<b>Tandem Switched Transport -- Facility, per Minute, per Mile</b>	<b>Tandem Switching per Minute</b>
ALL	\$0.00	\$0.000002 (R)	\$0.001574 (R)

2. End Office

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<b>Zone</b>	<b>Interconnection Charge per Minute</b>	<b>Composite Terminating End Office Charge per Minute</b>
All	\$0.000000	\$0.0007(R)

5.4.3 Toll-Free 8XX Data Base Query

Per Query \$0.0055

5.4.4 Switched Access Optional Features

*All Optional Features are offered on an Individual Case Basis (ICB).*