

BEFORE THE  
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

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RE: Telecommunications Device  
Distribution Program (TDDP)  
Proposal Pilot Project –  
Wireless Expansion Initiative

P- 2015-2484229

COMMENTS OF THE PENNSYLVANIA TELECOMMUNICATIONS RELAY  
SERVICE ADVISORY BOARD

The Pennsylvania Telecommunications Relay Service Advisory Board (TRS Advisory Board), hereby submits its Comments in the above-captioned proceeding.

At a duly noticed meeting of the TRS Advisory Board held June 3, 2015, the matter at PUC Docket No. P-2015-2484229, “Telecommunication Device Distribution Program (TDDP) Proposal for Pilot Project – Wireless Expansion initiative (Wireless Expansion Initiative)” was discussed and considered.

As current Chairperson of the TRS Advisory Board, I have entertained questions and received responses by e-mail from the TRS Board members regarding the proposal for a two-phased, trial program to provide equal access for eligible Pennsylvanians with disabilities to 21<sup>st</sup> Century telecommunications, specifically, wireless devices. On behalf of the TRS Advisory Board, we endorse the Wireless Expansion Initiative Program. Our endorsement, however, is conditioned upon the following comment. Although the Board approves that the budgeted funding for the two year Phase One and Phase Two implementation of the trial of the wireless initiative may come from the TDDP Program Fund (which was created by a wireline surcharge), any additional funding required either

for the pilot program or its full implementation, going forward, be derived from sources other than the wireline surcharge.

We thank the Commission for its time and consideration.

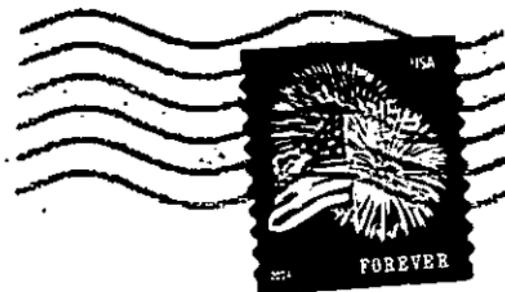
Date: June 20, 2015

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