



PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA

WENDELL F. HOLLAND
CHAIRMAN

September 28, 2007

The Honorable Edward G. Rendell
Governor of Pennsylvania
Room 225 Main Capitol Building
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120

Dear Governor Rendell:

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Enclosure

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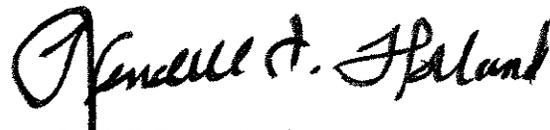
The Honorable Catherine Baker Knoll
Lieutenant Governor of Pennsylvania
Room 200 Main Capitol Building
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120

Dear Lieutenant Governor Baker Knoll:

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**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE
FISCAL STATUS AND OPERATIONS OF THE
TELECOMMUNICATIONS
DEVICE DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM AND THE PRINT
MEDIA ACCESS SYSTEM PROGRAM**

**SUBMITTED BY
THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

OCTOBER 1, 2007

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¹ Section 5(e) of Act 34 of 1995, as amended by Act 174 of 2004.

² An electronic version of this report is available on the Commission’s website (<http://www.puc.state.pa.us>) under the “Telecommunications” and “Telecommunications Relay” tabs.

³ The current TRS surcharge is based on the Annual Access Line Summary Report submitted by wireline local exchange carriers (LECs) operating in Pennsylvania as of December 31, 2006. Based on the total number of access lines submitted by the LECs, estimated expenses and financial status of the TRS, TDD Program and PMAS Program funds, the Commission has set the residential and business monthly access line TRS surcharge at \$0.08 per access line and \$0.09 per access line, respectively, effective July 1, 2007.

⁴ On January 1, 2007, OVR’s temporary administration of the TDD Program conducted through Hiram G. Andrews Center and was replaced by PIAT IDT.

USE OF TRS SURCHARGE FUND FOR TDD PROGRAM & PMAS PROGRAM

35 P.S. §6701.4(c) provides in pertinent part, that:

(c) Additional use of [TRS] surcharge.--The Telecommunications Device Distribution Program shall be funded and the Print Media Access System program may be funded by the Telecommunication Relay Service Program surcharge, as calculated by the commission on an annual basis under the methodology established by the commission in order entered May 29, 1990, and July 9, 1990, at Docket Number M-00900239...

The Commission calculates the TRS surcharge components for each program separately on a per wireline access line percentage basis. A copy of the Commission's Order entered, May 30, 2007, at Docket No. M-00900239F0015, approving the TRS surcharge and TDD Program and PMAS Program percentage of the surcharge rates, is attached as PUC Exhibit A.

TDD PROGRAM

On March 30, 2007, OVR filed a budget with the Commission for the TDD Program for the ensuing year. The TDD Program budget for July 1, 2007, through June 30, 2008, as submitted by the OVR, is \$411,266, as compared to last year's budget of \$370,711. OVR's 2007-2008 budget proposal estimated that the costs will be \$300,903 for equipment and \$110,363 for consumer education. In addition, the budget calculation showed the quantity, unit cost, and total cost, by type of telecommunications device. OVR's 2007-2008 budget proposal for the TDD Program is available upon request.

The TDD Program surcharge net revenue received was \$148,118.23 for the period of July 1, 2006, to June 30, 2007, based on a 2006-2007 wireline access line surcharge of \$0.00 per wireline access line per month. The fund net revenues were receivables from the prior fund year.

The TDD Program Fund earned net investment income of \$62,492.67 for the period of July 1, 2006, through June 30, 2007.

The TDD Program Fund paid \$160,146.26 in distributed equipment costs for the period of July 1, 2006, through June 30, 2007.

The TDD Program Fund paid \$5,804.40 in fiduciary fees (US Bank Institutional Trust & Custody for the period of July 1, 2006, through June 30, 2007.

The TDD Program Fund balance at fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, was \$1,316,362.76.

The TDD Program fund balance of \$1,316,362.76 as of June 30, 2007, was considered adequate to cover the projected costs of the program of \$411,265.95 for the future fiscal year, and to allow for the adequate cash flow reserve. Accordingly, the TDDP surcharge portion of the overall monthly TRS surcharge remained set at \$0.00⁵.

PMAS PROGRAM

On March 30, 2007, OVR filed a budget with the Commission for the PMAS Program for the ensuing year. The PMAS Program budget request for TRS Surcharge funds for July 1, 2007, through June 30, 2008, as submitted by the OVR, is \$90,000, as compared to last year's \$75,000 dollar request. OVR's 2007-2008 budget proposal for the PMAS Program is available upon request.⁶

The PMAS Program had a set rate of \$0.00 collection for the 2006-2007 TRS surcharge year. The PMAS Program has a set surcharge rate of 2.0 percent of the residential rate of \$0.08 and 2.0 percent of the business rate of \$0.09. Since the requested PMAS Program funds in 2006-2007 were transferred from the TRS fund account, a surcharge collection was not necessary.⁷ The reason for this approach is that the PMAS Program funds are required in advance (October) of service provided for invoice payment. The 2007-2008 surcharge recalculation includes the assessment and remittance of funds so that an adequate fund balance will exist for the 2008-2009 invoice payment.

The PMAS Program Fund earned net investment income of \$2,385.44 for the period of July 1, 2006, through June 30, 2007.

The PMAS Program Fund paid \$65,000.00 in October 2006, for newspaper reading fees. This accounts for the entire distribution for the period July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007.

⁵ Historically, the TRS surcharge was set as a whole cent amount, collected, remitted and deposited to each sub-account (TRS, TDDP & PMASP). This approach created a collection of too much or too few dollars in each sub-account. In the event, the surcharge calculated to a quarter or half of a cent per access line to meet the forecasted budget, the surcharge could only be set as a whole cent. For example, if the annual budget needed was \$100,000, and 25,000 access lines were reported then the surcharge is set at 34 cents per access line per month. The annual actual collection will be \$102,000 ((25,000 * .34) * 12); \$2,000 more than required. Therefore, the Commission has employed for the 2007-2008 surcharge year a percentage basis of program fund allocation of the total surcharge to allocate the surcharge to the respective program fund accounts. This method allows the most accurate matching of surcharge and program fund requirements.

⁶ On September 21, 2007, the Commission received the Legislative report from OVR reflecting that the PMAS Program budget had increased from \$90,000 to \$99,196 for the 2007-2008 fiscal year.

⁷ The Pa. PUC requested U.S. Bank Institutional Trust & Custody to transfer \$100,000 from the TRS fund sub-account to the PMAS Program fund sub-account for the 2006-2007 period. This amount represents \$75,000 for the requested budget amount for operations of Newsline plus a \$25,000 4-month reserve to bridge between surcharge recalculation periods.

The PMAS Program Fund paid \$217.01 in fiduciary fees (U.S. Bank Institutional Trust & Custody) for the period of July 1, 2006, through June 30, 2007.

The PMAS Program Fund balance at fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, was \$127,168.43.

The PMAS Program surcharge was set at 2.0 percent of the residential \$0.08 per access line rate and 2.0 percent of the business \$0.09 per access line rate.

OVR INFORMATION

On August 20, 2007, pursuant to 35 P.S. §6701.4(e)(2), the OVR submitted to the Commission information on the TDD Program. The report submitted to the Commission by the OVR is attached as Public Utility Commission Exhibit B.

On September 21, 2007, pursuant to 35 P.S. §6701.4(e)(2.1), the OVR submitted to the Commission information on the PMAS Program. The report submitted to the Commission by the OVR is attached as Public Utility Commission Exhibit C.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION CONCLUSION

The Commission has been responsive to the needs of the residents of Pennsylvania who depend upon the TDD Program and the PMAS Program and is compliant with the directives of the law. The Commission will continue to be attentive to the implementation of the TDD Program and PMAS Program and the Commission's funding oversight.

It should be noted that the Commission has audited the TDD Program for fiscal year ended June 30, 2006. The objectives and scope of the audit were to determine that only qualified individuals received program equipment; the consumer educator properly and accurately charged the fund for services provided; only qualified bidders were awarded contracts through the RFP process; that equipment contractors properly invoiced the fund; that all monies withdrawn from the TDD program account were used only for qualifying TDD Program services and equipment.

OVR has indicated its agreement with the Commission's Audit Report. Since the OVR agrees with the Commission's audit report, OVR is encouraged to implement the recommendations therein as soon as possible.

Further growth of the TDD Program in 2007-2008 may result from an expansion of the captioned telephone voice-carry-over relay service (CTVRS) from interim service to regular service. Hamilton Telecommunications has been selected as a result of the RFP process.

Full service began August 2007. With the commencement of the interim CTVRS, the TDD Program began furnishing user premise equipment to those individuals that qualify under the TDD Program guidelines. Under the current contract, additional users are allowed to enroll each month in the program thus increasing the possibility of TDD Program equipment needs.

EXHIBITS

Report: Following is a list of Public Utility Commission Exhibits attached to the Annual

Public Utility Commission Exhibit A: Commission's Order Approving New Surcharge Rates

Public Utility Commission Exhibit B: TDD Program Information Submitted By the OVR

Public Utility Commission Exhibit C: PMAS Program Information Submitted By the OVR

PENNSYLVANIA
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265

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Public Meeting held May 30, 2007

Commissioners Present:

Wendell F. Holland, Chairman
James H. Cawley, Vice Chairman
Kim Pizzingrilli
Terrance J. Fitzpatrick

Recalculation of the Pennsylvania
Telecommunications Relay Service Surcharge

M-00900239F0015

ORDER

BY THE COMMISSION:

In accordance with our May 29, 1990 Order at Docket No. M-00900239, which established the Pennsylvania Telephone Relay Service (Relay) and a surcharge funding mechanism (TRS surcharge); and with Act 34 of 1995, 35 P.S. §§ 6701.1, *et seq.*,¹ which established the Telephone Device Distribution Program (TDDP) to be funded by the TRS surcharge and which codified Relay and use of the TRS surcharge funding mechanism; and with Act 174 of 2004, 35 P.S. §6701.3a, which established the Print Media Access System Program (PMASP) to be funded in part by the TRS surcharge,² we have completed the 17th annual recalculation of the TRS surcharge as it applies to residence and business wireline access lines for July 1, 2007, through June 30, 2008. The monthly residential and business monthly wireline access line surcharge will remain set at \$0.08 and \$0.09, respectively.

¹ The statutory provisions were also amended by Act 181 of 2002 to be more inclusive of persons with disabilities.

² PMASP is a reading service for persons with certain vision and physical disabilities. The law is now called the "Universal Telecommunications and Print Media Access Act."

As part of their continuing obligations under the TRS surcharge recalculation process, the local exchange carriers (LECs)³ have submitted their wireline access line counts. The total number of wireline access lines, adjusted for Centrex lines, is 7,584,143 which include 4,701,674 residence wireline access lines and 2,882,469 business wireline access lines. The Relay Provider, AT&T Communications of Pennsylvania, LLC, has submitted the estimated minutes of use and charges for July 1, 2007, through June 30, 2008. U.S. Bank,⁴ the Fund Administrator, has provided a statement of the financial status of the Fund.⁵ The executive director of the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation (OVR) in the Department of Labor and Industry has submitted the 2007-2008 TDDP budget and the 2007-2008 PMASP budget. Additionally, the surcharge will fund the Captioned Telephone Voice-Carry-Over Relay Service (CTVRS), TRS Advisory Board activities, and Fund administration costs.

Based upon the number of wireline access lines; the estimated cost of the CTVRS; the projected costs of Relay, TDDP, and PMASP; anticipated Relay Advisory Board expenses; and TRS Fund administration costs, coupled with the financial status of the TRS Fund,⁶ the 2007-2008 residential and business monthly wireline access line will remain set at the surcharge rates of \$0.08 and \$0.09, respectively.⁷ Since the 2007-2008

³ Including both incumbent local exchange carriers (ILECs) and competitive local exchange carriers (CLECs). This total is further adjusted under a Centrex equivalency formula. As of May 15, 2007, fourteen LECs (ARC Networks, BCN Telecom, Broadwing Communications, Claricom Networks, CTSI, Full Service Computing, Global Crossing Local Service, Lightyear Networks, McGraw Communications, Penn Telecom, Remi Retail Communications, Shared Network User Group, US LEC of PA, PaeTec Communications) have not filed their access line data. Staff is currently investigating this noncompliance issue.

⁴ As a result of mergers, acquisitions, and name changes, Fund administration has been handled by Hamilton Bank, CoreStates Bank N.A. (1995), First Union National Bank (1999); Wachovia Bank, N.A. (2002), and U.S. Bank Institutional Trust & Custody (2006).

⁵ Separate accounts are maintained for the portion of the surcharge allocated to Relay, the portion allocated to TDDP, and the portion allocated to PMASP. Relay Advisory Board, CTVRS, and outreach activities draw from the Relay account; Fund administration draws from each respective account.

⁶ The TRS Funds consists of three separate accounts: one for Relay; one for TDDP and one for PMASP. The separation of account activity is accomplished by individual bank accounts increasing accountability.

⁷ The annual expense is based on the estimated annual charges submitted by AT&T Relay, estimated annual TRS Advisory Board expenses, estimated annual compensation to the Fund Administrator, contracted cost of Relay outreach campaign, staff estimated annual charges for CTVRS use; and the estimated annual budget for the TDDP and PMASP submitted by OVR.

surcharge has not changed from the 2006-2007 surcharge, no tariff supplements are required at this time.

Effective July 1, 2007, the monthly surcharge collected shall be remitted and allocated to each fund account on a percentage basis as follows:⁸

	2007-2008 Monthly Surcharge Percentage	
	<u>Residence %</u>	<u>Business %</u>
Relay	98.0	98.0
TDDP	0.0	0.0
PMASP	<u>2.0</u>	<u>2.0</u>
Total Percentage	100.0	100.0

All TRS surcharge revenues shall continue to be remitted to the Fund Administrator.⁹

We shall continue our active oversight of the operations of the Pennsylvania Relay and continue to collaborate with OVR and its TDDP administrator¹⁰ to ensure adequate funding for distribution of TDDP equipment to low-income households in accordance with 35 P.S. §§ 6791.3 & 4. We shall also work with OVR to ensure adequate funding for PMASP in accordance with 35 P.S. §§ 6791.3a & 4.

Additionally, it should be noted that the Commission's Bureau of Audits On August 7, 2003, Commission Secretarial letter required AT&T to file on or before May 1st of each year a Statement of Actual Underlying Costs of the PA TRS for the period of July 1 of the previous year through June 30 of the current year. The Commission's Bureau of Audits has completed its Audit of the Underlying Costs of the

⁸ The TRS surcharge appears as a single line item on customers' bills but actually has three components (Relay TDDP and PMASP).

⁹ LECS shall remit surcharge revenues to U.S. Bank Institutional Trust & Custody, Attn: Sue Massey, EX-PA-WBSP, 50 South 16th Street, 20th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19102, payable to the "PA Relay Service Fund" and designated for Relay. Wire instructions effective September 11, 2006 can be found on the remittance form.

¹⁰ As of January 1, 2007, the TDD program is administered by Pennsylvania's Initiative on Assistive Technology (PIAT), Institute on Disabilities, Temple University (IDT).

PA TRS for the Fiscal year ended June 30, 2004 and June 30, 2005. The Bureau of Audits has issued a Report dated February 15, 2007, at Docket No. D-040SPA050.

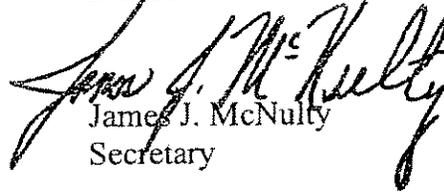
On May 29, 2003, the Commission authorized an audit of the TRS fund. The scope of this audit has expanded to include the fiscal period ending June 30, 2006. The audit currently includes the 36 months of July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2006. The Commission's Bureau of Audits has completed the field work of the TDDP for the twelve months ended June 30, 2006. The Commission is generally satisfied that ratepayer funds are appropriately used for the TDDP during the audit periods; **THEREFORE,**

IT IS ORDERED:

1. That for the period of July 1, 2007, through June 30, 2008, the residence surcharge per wireline access line per month shall be \$0.08 and the business surcharge per wireline access line per month shall be \$0.09, unless we take further action to revise the TRS surcharge prior to June 30, 2008.
2. That all local exchange carriers are directed to use the attached form to remit the monthly TRS surcharge collections to U.S. Bank, Institutional Trust & Custody.
3. That a copy of this Order be served upon all local exchange carriers, AT&T Communications Company of Pennsylvania, LLC, U.S. Bank Institutional Trust & Custody, the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation in the Department of Labor and Industry, the Office of Consumer Advocate, the Office of Small Business Advocate, and the Pennsylvania Telephone Association.
4. That a copy of this Order be published in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

5. That a copy of this Order be posted to the Commission's website.

BY THE COMMISSION


James J. McNulty
Secretary

(SEAL)

ORDER ADOPTED: May 30, 2007

ORDER ENTERED: MAY 30 2007

REMITTANCE FORM FOR MONTHLY TRS SURCHARGE COLLECTIONS
 Effective July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008 M-00900239F0015

All local service providers are required to collect and remit the TRS surcharge revenue monthly, by the 20th of each month. It is advisable to use the following format for the monthly remittance:

Pennsylvania TRS Surcharge

For the Month Ending _____

Number of **Residential** access lines _____
 X \$0.08 per line _____

Allocated:
 TRS 98.0 percent _____
 TDDP 0.0 percent _____
 PMASP 2.0 percent _____

Number of **Business** access lines _____
 X \$0.09 per line _____

Allocated:
 TRS 98.0 percent _____
 TDDP 0.0 percent _____
 PMASP 2.0 percent _____

Total Remittance _____

Make check payable to: Pennsylvania TRS Fund

Mail Report and payment to:	Wire Instructions:
U.S. Bank Institutional Trust & Custody Sue Massey EX-PA-WBSP 50 South 16 th Street, 20 th Floor Philadelphia, PA 19102	BANK U.S. Bank N.A ADDRESS 60 Livingston Avenue, St Paul MN 55107-2292 ABA 091 000 022 BNF ITC Depository South & East ACCOUNT 173 103 781 832 OBI PA Relay ATTN: Sue Massey

Remittance for: Company Name(s): _____
 Contact Person: _____
 Voice Phone Number: (____) _____ FAX: (____) _____
 E-mail address _____

Authorized Signature: _____ *Date:* _____

Please direct any questions regarding the TRS Surcharge remittance to Eric Jeschke at (717) 783-3850 or ejeschke@state.pa.us.



OFFICE OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION
1521 NORTH SIXTH STREET
HARRISBURG, PA 17102



DEPARTMENT OF
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800-442-6351 • 866-830-7327 TTY • www.state.pa.us PA Keyword: "Disability Services"

August 20, 2007

Commissioner Wendell F. Holland
Chairman
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
400 North Street
P.O. Box 3265
Harrisburg, PA 17105-3266

RE: Annual Report to the General Assembly, Act 181-2002

Dear Commissioner Holland:

Attached is the information requested by the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission from the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation (OVR) for inclusion in the report to the General Assembly on the Telecommunication Device Distribution Program.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact Bob Robinson at (814) 255-8200, ext. 8506 or roberrobin@state.pa.us.

Sincerely,

William A. Gannon
Executive Director

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Attachments

cc: Thomas Washic
Nesta Livingston
Sharon Behun
Joyce Wilson
Don Rullman
Robert Robinson
✓ Eric Van Jeschke, Analyst, PUC

APPROVED FOR SIGNATURE
BY: [Signature] DATE: 8/20/07

ANNUAL REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
ACT 181-2002:

TELECOMMUNICATION DEVICE DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM

IN OVERSEEING THE TELECOMMUNICATION DEVICE DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM (TDDP), THE OFFICE OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION (OVR) REPORTS THE FOLLOWING FISCAL YEAR ACTIVITIES BEGINNING JULY 1, 2006 TO JUNE 30, 2007:

Background:

Act 181-2002 provided for the creation of the Telecommunication Device Distribution Program. The Act authorizes the collection of funds as calculated by the PA Public Utility Commission on an annual basis in order to pay for telecommunication equipment for eligible applicants. The Act identifies the OVR in the Department of Labor and Industry as responsible for the oversight of the TDDP, but does not allow for administrative costs to be levied against the surcharge funds.

As of October 1, 2004, the OVR designated the Hiram G. Andrews Center (HGAC) to administer the TDDP, pending resolution of a contested bid to award the operation of the program to the Institute on Disabilities at Temple University. As of January 2, 2007, operation of the program transferred to the Institute on Disabilities.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE TDDP:

- Be a resident of Pennsylvania.
- Qualify as a person with a disability or disabilities that prevents him/her from making or receiving telephone calls independently. A licensed physician, audiologist, speech pathologist or a representative of a qualified state agency must certify the disability (e.g. OVR Counselor, Department of Public Welfare or Social Security Case Worker).

- Currently has telephone service and is capable of using the requested device.
- Be six years of age or older.
- Have an individual gross income of 200% of the Federal Poverty level or less (not including family/household income, currently \$20,420 per year for a single individual).

OPERATION OF THE PROGRAM:

- During this fiscal year of July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2006 the HGAC provided the day-to-day operations of the TDDP for the period July 1, 2006 through December 31, 2006. Administration of the program was transferred to the Institute on Disabilities at Temple University on January 2, 2007. The Institute on Disabilities has a proven track record of providing assistive technology devices and services to Pennsylvanians with disabilities of all ages, as the lead agency for the implementation of the federal Assistive Technology Act in Pennsylvania (Pennsylvania's Initiative on Assistive Technology [PIAT]). The Institute also serves as OVR's contractor for the implementation of the state-funded program, Pennsylvania's Assistive Technology Lending Library.
- As of February 2, 2007, at the recommendation of OVR, the Advisory Council to the Office for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing in the Department of Labor and Industry, has agreed to serve as an advisory body for the TDDP program.
- In the interest of good customer service, HGAC agreed to complete all applications that were in process as of December 31, 2006. Therefore, HGAC processed some equipment releases after January 2, 2007 (through January 31, 2007).

APPLICATION FORMS:

- Applications are distributed by request through the US Mail, as well as through email. Applications can also be downloaded from

the Institute on Disabilities' website:

<http://disabilities.temple.edu/programs/assistive/tddp>. Applications are distributed through the statewide network of Assistive Technology Resource Centers (ATRCs) created under PIAT. A map of the ATRC regions is attached and referenced as Attachment 1. During this program year HGAC and the Institute on Disabilities/PIAT received and reviewed a total of 615 individual applications. Of these, a total of 463 were determined eligible, 13 determined ineligible, 107 non-responsive to missing required documentation, and 32 were in-process (as of June 30, 2007).

EQUIPMENT DISTRIBUTED TO APPLICANTS:

- The equipment distribution detail by HGAC for 262 eligible applicants, during the period of July 1, 2006 to January 31, 2007 is attached and referenced as Attachment 2.
- The equipment distribution detail by the Institute on Disabilities/PIAT for 201 eligible applicants, during the period of January 2, 2007 to June 30, 2007 is attached and referenced as Attachments 3, 3A and 3B.

FUNDING:

- The market value of the TDDP fund as of June 30, 2007 was \$1,317,186.19. The USBank Account Summary for the period ending June 30, 2007 is attached and referenced as Attachment 4.

VENDORS:

- During the period of July 1, 2006 to January 31, 2007 HGAC utilized the PA Department of General Services contract vendor for assistive technology (CN00006715/legacy #5850-06) through Electronic Vision Access Solutions (EVAS), Westerly, RI.

Total fund disbursements to EVAS during this period were \$116,939.40 as noted on Attachment 2.

- It was necessary to extend the agreement between OVR and EVAS due to the timing of the issuance of Requests for Proposal (RFP) to select vendors for the program. The Institute on Disabilities/PIAT ordered equipment for TDDP from EVAS during the period February 1- 28, 2007.

Total fund disbursements to EVAS in February 2007 were \$6,639.55 as noted on Attachment 3A.

- In January, 2007, the Institute on Disabilities/PIAT, with guidance from Temple University's Purchasing Department, developed and distributed the competitive Request for Proposal (RFP) to identify vendors who would supply equipment for the TDDP. Selection criteria were developed, including customer service, scope of equipment available from each vendor, and competitive pricing. The RFP due date was February 5, 2007; five (5) vendors applied. As a result of this process, four (4) vendors were chosen to supply equipment for the TDDP. The vendors are:
 - Teltex, Inc., Kearney, MO
 - Potomac Technology, Inc., Rockville, MD
 - Hearmore, Farmingdale, NY
 - Assistive Technology, Inc., Dedham, MA

An equipment price list is included in this report as Attachment 5.

Fund disbursements to these vendors totaled \$53,618.95 during the period March 15, 2007 to June 30, 2007, as noted on Attachment 3B.

CONSUMER EDUCATION AND OUTREACH:

Between July 2006 and April 2007 both the Institute/PIAT and HGAC participated in outreach activities, although they did not expend Consumer Education and Outreach funds. For example, information on TDDP was routinely disseminated or described as a part of other assistive technology expos and presentations, for example:

- 7/12/06 – PA Community on Transition Conference (HGAC)
- 9/14/06 – Senior Expo sponsored by State Senator Christine Tartaglione, Philadelphia Co. (Institute on Disabilities/PIAT)
- 10/6/06 – Senior Expo sponsored by State Senator Constance Williams, Montgomery Co. (Institute on Disabilities/PIAT)

- 10/13/06 – OVR Counselor orientation (HGAC)
- 10/19-10/20/06 – HGAC Career & Transition Fair (HGAC)
- 11/8/06 – My City, My Place, Philadelphia Co. (Institute on Disabilities/PIAT)
- 11/15/06 – NTSS Assistive Technology Exposition (HGAC)
- 11/17-19/06 – World Congress on Disabilities, Philadelphia Co. (Institute on Disabilities/PIAT)
- 11/29/06 – National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Montgomery Co. (Institute on Disabilities/PIAT)
- 12/18/06 – Moss Rehabilitation Hospital, Montgomery Co. (Institute on Disabilities/PIAT)
- 2/5/07 – JEVS Consumer and Attendant Advisory Group, Montgomery Co. (Institute on Disabilities/PIAT)
- 2/9/07 – PA Human Relations Commission Disability Stakeholders Meeting, Dauphin Co. (Institute on Disabilities/PIAT)
- 3/23/07 – Presentation to PA Speech-Language-Hearing Association, State College (Institute on Disabilities/PIAT)
- 4/10/07 – Expo at Liberty Resources, Philadelphia Co. (Institute on Disabilities/PIAT)
- 4/24/07 – Magee Rehabilitation Community Resource Fair, Philadelphia Co. (Institute on Disabilities/PIAT)

The Consumer Educator (.50 FTE) began employment at Temple University on April 30, 2007. Since that time, she has been assisting individuals who need support in learning to use their devices, making presentations to groups and at conferences, and developing training and public outreach materials.

The following TDDP activities were conducted by the Consumer Educator:

- 5/15/07 – Mayor's Commission for People with Disabilities, Philadelphia
- 6/4/07 – Institute on Disabilities Expo, Capital Rotunda

ISSUES:

- Due to a longer than expected length of time in recruitment and employment start for the Consumer Educator, activities began later than expected.

- Concern regarding liability in the use of volunteers to support individuals in using devices (e.g. recruited through PA Society for the Advancement of the Deaf and the National Hearing Loss Association/PA Chapter) has delayed implementation of subcontracts with those organizations. Further research on the feasibility of this activity is being conducted.
- Subcontracts with regional Assistive Technology Resource Centers to provide “local” activities related to consumer outreach, education and training will begin July 1, 2007.
- As the Institute on Disabilities/PIAT gains experience with the program, a variety of policies and procedures in effect with previous implementing agencies have emerged as presenting barriers to program access for individuals with disabilities. We plan to examine the extent to which individuals with disabilities are denied access to the program, or have access to the program delayed, and propose changes to OVR. Issues identified to date include:
 - Number of years before equipment can be replaced for eligible recipients who have previously received devices. As per correspondence with OVR and the PUC, this policy has been amended from 5 years to 3 years.
 - Certifying entities: According to the regulations, only “a licensed physician, audiologist, speech pathologist or qualified State agency” may certify as to the applicant being a person with a disability. Applicants have told us that this may mean an additional trip (and expense) to a physician or other health care provider. We will seek clarification on the definition of “qualified State agency” and expansion of the types of licensed, certified, or other qualified individuals who can perform this function, including but not limited to, regional Assistive Technology Resource Centers (ATRCs).
 - Exceptions process: Currently, there is no process in place for instances when the equipment on the TDDP list does not meet an applicant’s needs. We will explore policies and procedures for making exceptions in equipment selection,

ACCOMPLISHMENTS (January 2, 2007 to June 30, 2007):

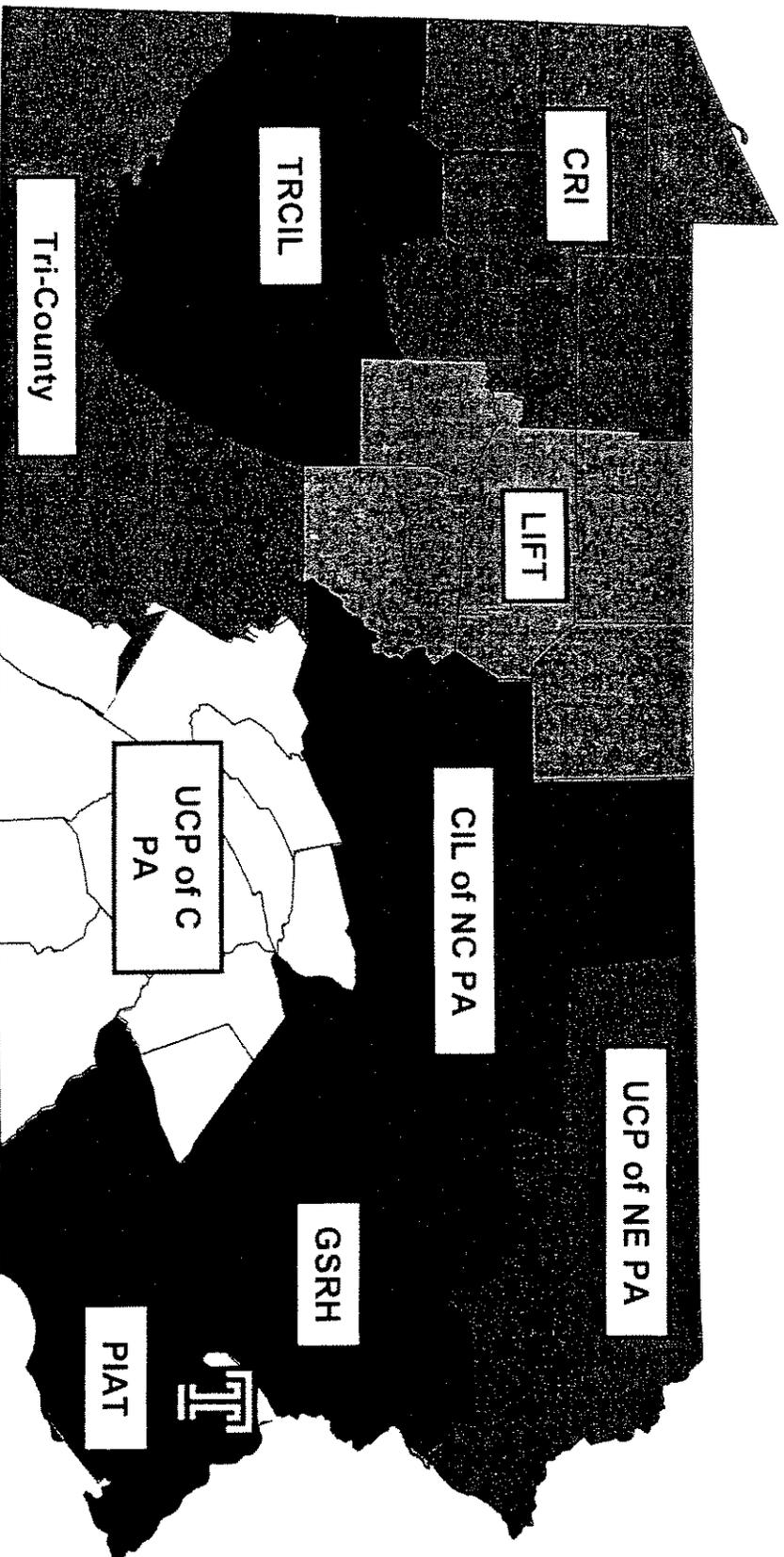
- Distributed Press Release to news outlets and providers across Pennsylvania
- Updated TDDP application; the application is also available in Spanish and Braille
- Developed one-page TDDP flyer, which is also available in Spanish
- Created webpage for TDDP on Institute on Disabilities website: <http://disabilities.temple.edu/programs/assistive/tddp>. The website currently contains general information about the program, including application, income guidelines, and listing of available equipment. Institute on Disabilities/PIAT is currently working on more features to the website, including an annotated listing of equipment, and signed video information about the program.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Referenced Attachment 1 - ATRC Map
- Referenced Attachment 2 - Equipment Distribution Report HGAC
- Referenced Attachment 3 - Equipment Distribution Report PIAT
- Referenced Attachment 3A - Disbursements to EVAS processed by Institute on Disabilities/PIAT
- Referenced Attachment 3B - Disbursements to vendors from 3/15/07 to 6/30/07 processed by PIAT
- Referenced Attachment 4 - Activity Summary Report (US Bank)
- Referenced Attachment 5 - Equipment suppliers and pricing as of 3/15/07
- Attachment - TDDP Application Form and Instructions – April, 2007
- Attachment - Photo Listing of Equipment in TDDP

Assistive Technology Resource Centers

Attachment 1



- Region 1: PA's Initiative on Assistive Technology, Institute on Disabilities
- Region 2: Community Resources for Independence, Inc.
- Region 3: Three Rivers Center for Independent Living
- Region 4: Life and Independence for Today
- Region 5: United Cerebral Palsy of Central PA
- Region 6: Good Shepherd Rehab Hospital
- Region 7: Center for Independent Living of Northcentral PA
- Region 8: United Cerebral Palsy of Northeastern PA
- Region 9: Tri-County Patriots for Independent Living

Equipment/Signalers Released by HGAC (Vendor: EVAS)

7/1/2006 through 1/31/2007

Equipment

Description	Count	Unit Price	Total
3FS-5A002 BrailleLite M20 w/CommLite 2000	1	\$4,032.75	\$4,032.75
4AT-01LSK LinkPlus Kit (w/02LPAC/03LPKG/04LPMG)	9	\$2,512.55	\$22,612.95
5AP-01Q90S HCO VCO Q90D TTY w/spk's	1	\$270.75	\$270.75
5AP-21C410 Cordless C4-105 Amp. Phone (old CL40)	16	\$142.50	\$2,280.00
5AP-21CL40 Cordless CL40 Amp. Phone	18	\$142.50	\$2,565.00
5AP-23CR01 Hands-Free RC200 Spk. Phone w/accessory	12	\$556.70	\$6,680.40
5AP-25LBJ5 Talking JV35 Amp. Braille Phone	7	\$133.00	\$931.00
5AP-26APP3 Amplified P300 Photo Phone	1	\$47.50	\$47.50
5AP-29LVCO Voice Carryover Telephone - DialogueVCO	7	\$180.50	\$1,263.50
5ET-10AB5 Voice Activated Dialer - AblePhone 5000	6	\$209.00	\$1,254.00
5ET-15BBP Big Button Braille Phone	4	\$38.00	\$152.00
5P-03CT10 Cordless CT10 Headset Phone	1	\$123.50	\$123.50
5P-03CT12 Cordless CT12 Headset Phone	3	\$132.05	\$396.15
5U-1AS4425 Superprint 4425 TTY	32	\$474.05	\$15,169.60
5U-21HA4 In-line 40dB Headset Amplifier	5	\$33.25	\$166.25
5U-2CSPP8A TTY w/Large Visual Display Amber Pro 80	3	\$616.55	\$1,849.65
5U-2CSPP8L TTY w/large VisualDisplay Blue-Gr Pro80	12	\$616.55	\$7,398.60
5U-2CSPP8R TTY w/large VisualDisplay Rose Pro80	3	\$616.55	\$1,849.65
5U-31CTEL Captioned Amplified Telephone, Cap/Tel	58	\$470.25	\$27,274.50
5U-4BUNI11 Uniphone 1140 VCO TTY	5	\$265.05	\$1,325.25
5U-9BCTPTP CrystalTone+ Amp Telephone	58	\$161.50	\$9,367.00

Description	Count	Unit Price	Total
Total			\$107,010.00
Signalers			
5AA-11OVR Vib. Omni Page Pkg.	17	\$183.35	\$3,116.95
5U-9CCTRO Loud Ring CrsTone	81	\$42.75	\$3,462.75
5U-BA2TLT Flashing Light LT	82	\$40.85	\$3,349.70
Total			\$9,929.40
Total Equipment/Signalers Released:			\$116,939.40

Telecommunication Device Distribution Program

Activity Summary Report

Reporting Period 7/1/2006 through 6/30/2007

Eligible applications	463
Total number of devices awarded	721
Non-eligible applications	13
Non-responsive to requirements applications	107
In-process applications	32
Total number of applications reviewed	615
Total dollar value of devices issued	\$177,197.90

Other Statistics:

53% of all eligible applicants were over the age of 65

19% of the eligible applicants were from either Philadelphia or Allegheny counties

**Equipment/Signalers Released
by Institute on Disabilities/PIAT
From 2/1/2007 through 2/28/2007 (Vendor: EVAS)**

Equipment	Count	Unit Price	Total
Battery Charger for OmniPage Receiver	1	\$ 16.15	\$ 16.15
OmniPage Vibrating Receiver	1	104.50	104.50
Telephone/TTY Transmitter for OmniPage	1	62.70	62.70
Hearing Carryover TTY, Q90D w/Speakers	1	270.75	270.75
Clarity Amplified Phone-CL4105	1	142.50	142.50
Clarity Hands Free Speakerphone RC200	2	379.05	758.10
Air Switch for RC200	1	94.05	94.05
Pillow Switch for RC200	1	37.05	37.05
Voice Carryover (VCO) Amplified Phone	1	180.50	180.50
TTY Superprint 4425	1	474.05	474.05
TTY with LVD, Blue Green	2	616.55	1,233.10
CapTel - Captioned Telephone	4	470.25	1,881.00
Crystal Tone Plus Amplified Telephone	5	161.50	807.50
Crystal Tone Loud Ring Signaler	3	42.75	128.25
Ultratec Simplicity Signaler (LT)	11	40.85	449.35
TOTALS	36		\$6,639.55

Equipment/Signalers Released by Institute on Disabilities/PIAT

From 3/1/2007 through 6/30/2007 (Vendors: Teltex, ATI, Potomac Tech,
Hearmore)

Equipment	Count	Unit Price	Total
Crystal Tone Plus Amplified Phone	48	\$ 106.00	\$ 5,088.00
CapTel Captioned Telephone	31	365.25	11,322.75
Cordless Amplified Phone – Clarity C4105	23	81.00	1,863.00
Hands-Free Speaker Phone – Clarity RC200	8	334.00	2,672.00
Air Switch for RC200	4	80.00	320.00
Pillow Switch for RC200	3	35.00	105.00
Headset w/Mic for RC200	3	40.00	120.00
Lapel Mic for RC200	1	40.00	40.00
Big Button Phone – Reizen	2	21.10	42.20
Hearing Carryover TTY w/speakers - Q90D	2	186.00	372.00
In-Line Handset Amplifier – HA-40	3	32.00	96.00
LinkPLUS Kit	6	2,280.00	13,680.00
Voice Carryover (VCO) Amplified Phone	3	120.00	360.00
Voice Carryover TTY - Uniphone 1140	5	220.00	1,100.00
Voice Activated Dialer – AblePhone 5000	6	172.00	1,032.00
TTY w/Large Visual Display (Blue-Green)	10	446.00	4,460.00
TTY w/Large Visual Display (Rose-Red)	1	446.00	446.00
TTY Superprint 4425	15	365.00	5,475.00
TTY Transmitter / Receiver – OmniPage kit	9	125.00	1,125.00
Flashing Light Signaler – Simplicity LT	44	42.00	1,848.00
Loud Ring Signaler – Crystal Tone Ringer CT	54	38.00	2,052.00
TOTALS	281		\$53,618.95



Attachment 4

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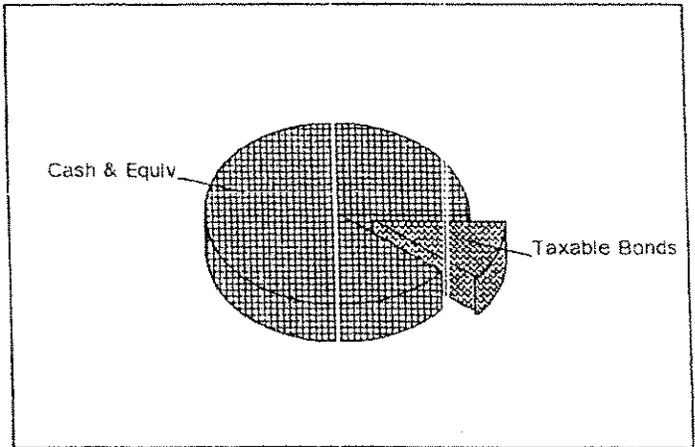
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ASSET SUMMARY AS OF 06/30/07

	Market Value	% of Total	Est Annual Income
Cash & Equivalents	\$1,167,317.84	88.60	\$57,540.46
Taxable Bonds	\$145,230.00	11.00	\$5,250.00
Accrued Income	\$4,638.35	.40	\$.00
Total Market Value	\$1,317,186.19	100.00	\$62,790.46



ASSET DETAIL

Shares/Par	Security Description	Market Value/Price	Tax Cost/Unrealized Gain(Loss)	Yield at Market	Est Annual Inc/Accrued Inc
Cash & Equivalents					
Cash/Money Market					
1,167,317.840	Evergreen Inst Treas Mmkt Cl In 300250701	\$1,167,317.84 1.0000	\$1,167,317.84 \$0.00	4.93	\$57,540.46 4,408.84
	Total Cash/Money Market	\$1,167,317.84	\$1,167,317.84 \$0.00		\$57,540.46 \$4,408.84



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ASSET DETAIL (continued)

Shares/ Par	Security Description	Market Value/ Price	Tax Cost/ Unrealized Gain(Loss)	Yield at Market	Est Annual Inc/ Accrued Inc
	Total Cash & Equivalents	\$1,167,317.84	\$1,167,317.84 \$.00		\$57,540.46 \$4,408.84
Taxable Bonds					
US Government Issues					
150,000.000	U S Treasury Note 3.500 12/15/2009 912828DE7 Standard & Poors Rating: AAA Moody's Rating: AAA	\$145,230.00 96.8200	\$149,044.92 - \$3,814.92	3.61	\$5,250.00 229.51
	Total US Government Issues	\$145,230.00	\$149,044.92 - \$3,814.92		\$5,250.00 \$229.51
	Total Taxable Bonds	\$145,230.00	\$149,044.92 - \$3,814.92		\$5,250.00 \$229.51
	Total Investments	\$1,312,547.84	\$1,316,362.76 - \$3,814.92		\$62,790.46 \$4,638.35
	Accrued Income	\$4,638.35	\$4,638.35		
	Grand Total	\$1,317,186.19	\$1,321,001.11		

ASSET DETAIL MESSAGES

Publicly traded assets are valued in accordance with market quotation or valuation methods from industry accepted services. Assets which are not publicly traded may reflect values from other external sources or special valuations prepared by U. S. Bank. Assets for which a current value is not available may be reflected as not valued, at par value, or at a nominal value of \$1.00. Values shown do not necessarily reflect prices at which assets could have been bought or sold. Values are updated based on internal policy and may be updated less frequently than statement generation.

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MARKET VALUE SUMMARY

	Current Period	Year-to-Date
Beginning Market Value	\$1,313,460.68	\$1,345,063.08
Taxable Interest	7,577.92	32,452.53
Paid To/For Beneficiaries	- 1,095.75	- 57,950.89
Fees and Expenses	- 463.98	- 2,807.45
Cash Receipts		284.16
Realized Gain/Loss		- 335.94
Change in Investment Value	129.00	899.94
Change in Accrued Income	- 2,421.68	- 419.24
Ending Market Value	\$1,317,186.19	\$1,317,186.19



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CASH SUMMARY

	Principal Cash	Total
Beginning Cash Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00
Taxable Interest	7,577.92	7,577.92
Paid To/For Beneficiaries	- 1,095.75	- 1,095.75
Fees and Expenses	- 463.98	- 463.98
Net Money Market Activity	- 6,018.19	- 6,018.19
Ending Cash Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00



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CASH TRANSACTION DETAIL		
Date Posted	Description	Principal Cash
Taxable Interest		
Evergreen Inst Treas M mkt CI In		
06/04/07	Interest Earned On Evergreen Inst Treas Mmkt CI In Interest From 5/1/07 To 5/31/07 300250701	4,952.92
U S Treasury Note 3.500 12/15/2009		
06/15/07	Interest Earned On U S Treasury Nt 3.500% 12/15/09 0.0175 USD/\$1 P/v On 150,000 Par Value Due 6/15/07 912828DE7	2,625.00
Total Taxable Interest		7,577.92
Paid To/For Beneficiary		
Payment Of Funds As Requested		
06/07/07	Cash Disbursement Paid To Potomac Technology Inc Payment Of Funds As Requested Inv 070179-070131	- 1,095.75
Total Paid To/For Beneficiary		- 1,095.75
Fees and Expenses		
Trust Fees		
06/26/07	Trust Fees Collected Charged For Period 05/01/2007 Thru 05/31/2007	- 463.98
Total Fees and Expenses		- 463.98



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PURCHASE SUMMARY

<u>Settlement Date</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Principal Cash</u>	<u>Tax Cost</u>
Cash and Equivalents			
	Evergreen Inst Treas Mmkt CI In		
	Combined Purchases For The Period 6/ 1/07 - 6/30/07 Of Evergreen Inst Treas Mmkt CI In 300250701	- 7,577.92	7,577.92
	Total Cash and Equivalents:	- 7,577.92	7,577.92
	Total Purchases	- 7,577.92	7,577.92



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SALE/MATURITY SUMMARY

Settlement Date	Description	Tax Cost	Proceeds	Estimated Gain/Loss
Cash and Equivalents				
	Evergreen Inst Treas Mmkt CI In			
	Combined Sales For The Period 6/1/07 - 6/30/07 Of Evergreen Inst Treas Mmkt CI In 300250701	- 1,559.73	1,559.73	0.00
	Total Cash and Equivalents	- \$1,559.73	\$1,559.73	\$0.00
	Total Sales & Maturities	- \$1,559.73	\$1,559.73	\$0.00

SALE/MATURITY SUMMARY MESSAGES

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TDDP VENDOR PRICE COMPARISON LIST

EQUIPMENT	OLD VENDOR	NEW VENDORS PRICE LIST			
		EVAS	TELTEX	ATI	POTOMAC TECH
TTY Superprint 4425	\$474.05	\$365.00			
TTY with Large Visual Display, Blue-Green LVD	\$616.55	\$446.00			
TTY with Large Visual Display, Rose-Red LVD	\$616.55	\$446.00			
TTY with Large Visual Display, Amber LVD	\$616.55	\$446.00			
Braillephone					\$5,999.00
TTY with Braille Display, Braille Lite M20 w/Comm Lite *	\$4,032.75				\$4,245.00
Amplified Large Button Speaker Phone, Crystal Tone+	\$161.50	\$106.00			
Hands-Free Speaker Phone, RC200	\$399.00	\$334.00			
Air Switch	\$94.05	\$80.00			
Pillow Switch	\$37.50	\$35.00			
Lapel Mic \$40	\$46.55	\$40.00			
Headset w/ Mic	\$81.00	\$40.00			
Cordless Headset Phone, CT-12	\$132.05	\$89.99			
Telephone Fluency System, Case Futura	\$945.25	\$465.00			
Talking Keyboard, LinkPlus Kit	\$2,370.25		\$2,280.00		
Talking Telephone, Amplified, JV35	\$133.00	\$78.27			
Voice Activated Dialer, AblePhone 5000	\$209.00	\$172.00			
Photo Phone, Amplified, P300	\$47.50	\$40.00			
Big Button Phone	\$38.00	\$21.10			
Voice Carryover TTY, Uniphone 1140	\$265.05	\$220.00			
Hearing Carryover TTY, Q90D with speakers	\$270.75	\$186.00			
Voice Carryover Amplified Phone, VCO76579	\$180.50	\$120.00			
In-Line Handset Amplifier (Clarity) HA-40	\$33.25	\$32.00			
Cordless Phone w/Amplification (CL-C4105)	\$142.50	\$81.00			
Captioned Telephone, amplified, CapTel	\$470.25			\$365.25	
Loud Ring Signaler, CrystalTone Ringer	\$42.75	\$38.00			
Flashing Light Signaler, Simplicity LT	\$40.85	\$42.00			
Omni Page Vibrating Receiver Transmitter Kit	\$183.35	\$125.00			
*Substituted by EVAS					

**COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
TELECOMMUNICATION DEVICE DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM
APPLICATION**

Do you already own telecommunication equipment similar to what you are applying for?

YES NO

If YES, please check the correct answer below:

- My equipment is broken or only works sometimes
- My equipment is borrowed
- My equipment does not meet my needs

NOTE: If you have working equipment that meets your needs you will be ineligible for the program at this time.

Your eligibility will be determined when you have submitted a **completed application and documentation** requested in the Application checklist. To avoid delay, please **type or print clearly** and make sure all sections of the application have been completed. If questions do not pertain to you, write "N/A" on the line provided.

Make a copy of your application for your records!

Return the completed ORIGINAL application (4 pages), along with copies of required documentation to:

**Telecommunication Device Distribution Program
Institute on Disabilities at Temple University - PIAT
Lisa Troy, TDDP Program Coordinator
1601 N. Broad Street, USB Suite 610
Philadelphia, PA 19122**

APPLICANT INFORMATION

1. Name of person applying for equipment:
(Last name, First name, Middle name)

Date of Birth (Month/Day/Year)

_____/_____/_____

Street Address: _____

(Note: Equipment will not be delivered to a PO Box; you must provide your street address)

City/State/Zip: _____ / PA / _____

County: _____

Person assisting applicant with this application, if any:

Name: _____ Phone: _____ - _____ - _____

2. Complete the following if applicant is under age 18:

Name of Parent or Guardian: _____

3. Area Code and Telephone Numbers:

Home: _____ - _____ - _____

Other: _____ - _____ - _____

4. Annual Income. (List Applicant's income only. Please include Social Security and/or pension income if applicable. Do not include family/household income. If applicant has no income, please write NONE.)

\$ _____

5. Number of Dependents (including Applicant): _____

6. This equipment will be used primarily (CHECK ONE):

___ at Home ___ at School ___ at Work

7. My primary reason for using the TDDP is (CHECK ONE):

___ Cannot afford equipment ___ Equipment only available to me through TDDP

___ I could get the device paid for through other programs, but the system is too complex and the wait is too long

8. This question is optional and for reporting purposes only:

Race: ___ Caucasian ___ African-American ___ Asian ___ Latino
 ___ Other (specify) _____

Gender: ___ Male ___ Female

9. **CERTIFICATION OF DISABILITY** - Please note: This section must be completed by a licensed physician, audiologist, speech pathologist acting within the scope of his/her license, OR representative of a qualified state agency, such as an Office of Vocational Rehabilitation (OVR) Counselor, Department of Public Welfare (DPW) or Social Security Administration Case Worker. Make sure all lines are completed and appropriate spaces are marked before submitting this application.

Applicant being certified: _____
Last name, First name, Middle name

Check the type of disability being certified:

___ Cognitive ___ Deaf ___ Deaf Blind ___ Hard of Hearing
___ Low Vision/Blind ___ Physical ___ Speech

I certify that I am a:

___ Licensed Audiologist ___ Licensed Physician ___ Licensed Speech Pathologist
___ Representative of a Qualified State Agency

Name of Professional _____

Title _____

Name of Agency _____

State License Number _____
(if applicable)

Area Code & Phone _____ Fax _____

Signature of Professional _____

Date _____

10. **APPLICANT'S STATEMENT**

Note: This application should be submitted no later than 30 days after you have signed and dated it.

I certify that all information provided on this application is true, complete and correct. I understand that if I purposely provide false information I may be subjected to legal action. Program officials have my permission to verify the information provided. I certify that I have read, understand and accept all conditions set forth in this application and have the ability to learn to use the equipment chosen in section 11.

Signature of Applicant (regardless of age)

Date

Signature of Parent or Guardian
(if applicant is a Minor)

Date

11. EQUIPMENT SELECTION

You may choose only **one** (1) device from Category A and **one** (1) signaler from Category B that best meet your needs.

Category A (Select only ONE of the following):

- TTY Superprint 4425
- TTY with Large Visual Display, Blue-Green LVD
- TTY with Large Visual Display, Rose-Red LVD
- TTY with Large Visual Display, Amber LVD
- TTY with Braille Display, Braille Lite M20
- Amplified Large Button Speaker Phone, Crystal Tone+
- In-line Handset Amplifier, 40dB
- Hands-Free Speaker Phone, RC200
- Optional accessories for RC200 – check only if needed
 Air switch Pillow switch Lapel microphone Headset mic
- Cordless Phone with Amplification, CL-C4105
- Cordless Headset Phone, CT-12
- Telephone Fluency System, Case Futura
- Talking Keyboard, LinkPlus Kit
- Talking Telephone, Amplified, JV35
- Voice Activated Dialer, AblePhone 5000
- Photo Phone, Amplified, P300
- Big Button Phone

The following items will require use with a Relay Service:

- Voice Carryover TTY, Uniphone 1140
- Hearing Carryover TTY, Q90D with speakers
- Voice Carryover Amplified Phone, VCO76570
- Captioned Telephone, amplified, CapTel

- NONE – No equipment is needed from Category A

Category B (Select only ONE of the following):

- Loud Ring Signaler, CrystalTone Ringer
- Flashing Light Signaler, Simplicity LT
- Vibrating Signaler, OmniPage Kit

- NONE – No signaling device from Category B is needed

Please check your order carefully.
THE TDDP HAS A "NO EXCHANGE" POLICY

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA TELECOMMUNICATION DEVICE DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM

Application Information

The Telecommunication Device Distribution Program (TDDP) established by Act 34-1995 and amended by Act 181-2002 provides telecommunication devices to qualified applicants. These devices enable eligible individuals to access telephone services independently. To be eligible, individuals must complete the enclosed application and meet all criteria listed below.

- Persons with a Disability:** A person with a disability or disabilities that prevents him/her from making or receiving telephone calls independently. A licensed physician, audiologist, speech pathologist or a representative of a qualified State agency must certify the disability. (e.g. Office of Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor, Department of Public Welfare or Social Security Administration Case Worker).
- Income Limits:** Individual gross income of 200% of Federal Poverty level or less. (Not including family/household income)
- Age:** Six (6) years or older.
- Residence:** A resident of Pennsylvania.
- Resources:** Must have access to residential telephone service and possess the ability to learn how to use a telecommunications device.

Information will be kept confidential, except as required by law. If you need help in completing this application, or need it in an alternate format, please contact us.

Return the completed application and required documentation to:

Telecommunication Device Distribution Program
Institute on Disabilities - PIAT
Attention: Lisa Troy, TDDP Program Coordinator
1601 N. Broad Street, USB Suite 610
Philadelphia, PA 19122

Voice: 800-204-7428

TTY: 866-268-0579 Fax: 215-204-9371 Email: TDDP@temple.edu

DISABILITY CATEGORIES

Deaf: A person with a severe to profound hearing loss, who is usually unable to use the telephone effectively without the assistance of a TTY or Voice Carryover TTY.

Hard of Hearing: A person with hearing loss, who is usually unable to use the telephone effectively without the assistance of sound amplification equipment.

Speech Impaired: A person with a speech impairment who is usually unable to use the telephone effectively without the assistance of specialized telephone equipment.

Deaf-Blind: A person with a hearing loss combined with a visual disability requiring a large visual display or Braille output TTY to communicate effectively on the telephone.

Physical Disability: A person with a physical disability that impedes his/her ability to lift, hold, dial or even reach the phone in time to answer an incoming call.

Low Vision/Blind: A person with low vision or blindness that impedes his/her ability to dial a standard telephone independently.

Cognitive Disability: A person who is unable to read, look up, or recall telephone numbers in order to dial independently on a standard telephone.

EQUIPMENT OWNERSHIP AND RESPONSIBILITY

Equipment will be delivered to your home. It then becomes **YOUR PROPERTY** and **YOUR** responsibility.

NOTE: There is a Limited Manufacturer Defect Warranty on all equipment purchased under this program. If your equipment is defective or if it should fail, it will be your responsibility as the consumer to contact the Manufacturer for warranty repair. Repairs for damages due to abuse or neglect are not covered under any warranty and are the **SOLE RESPONSIBILITY** of the applicant. Stolen equipment can only be replaced upon receipt of a copy of the police report.

TELECOMMUNICATION DEVICE DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM

**FINANCIAL ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:
APPLICANT'S ANNUAL GROSS INCOME MUST BE
BELOW 200% OF THE POVERTY LEVEL**

2007 POVERTY GUIDELINES Effective through March 31, 2008

Size of Family Unit	Poverty Guidelines	200% of Poverty Level
1	\$10,210	\$20,420
2	\$13,690	\$27,380
3	\$17,170	\$34,340
4	\$20,650	\$41,300
5	\$24,130	\$48,260
6	\$27,610	\$55,220
7	\$31,090	\$62,180
8	\$34,570 *	\$69,140

* For Family Units with more than 8 members, add \$3,480 for each additional member.

Checklist for TDDP Application

Be sure to submit photocopies of the following documentation with your completed application since originals cannot be returned.

1. **Proof of Applicant's Residence in Pennsylvania (including minors):** Submit ONE of the following: copy of current driver's license, non-driver I.D., utility bill, dated social security correspondence, copies of W-2's, prescription receipt, school I.D., report card, library card, or something pre-printed with the applicant's name and address.
2. **Proof of Applicant's Income:** Submit a copy of each item that applies to you: Income statements including W-2's, 1099s or award letters for retirement and/or social security income. If you do not have a copy of your social security income statement you can call 1-800-772-1213 and request a "Benefits Verification Letter". **Bank statements and pay stubs cannot be accepted.** If APPLICANT has no income write NONE. Note: If the applicant is a minor child, income requirements are based on the child's income only, not family or household income.
3. **Proof of Telephone Service:** Submit a copy of ONE page of your most recent telephone bill with your telephone number appearing on it. If phone service is shared in a residential facility, a signed statement on letterhead including applicant's name and phone number from the Admissions Director or Social Worker will be accepted.
4. **Certification of Disability:** Have section 9 completed by a licensed Physician, Audiologist, Speech Pathologist, or Representative of a Qualified State Agency (e.g. Office of Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor, Department of Public Welfare or Social Security Administration Case Worker, Department of Aging, Department of Education, Department of Health, Office for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing). To avoid delays make sure the entire section is completed **before** submitting the application.
5. **Applicant's Statement:** Applicant must sign and date section 10 of the application regardless of age. If applicant is a minor, a parent or guardian must also sign and date section 10.
6. **Equipment Selection Section*:** Mark ONE item from section "11A" and ONE item from section "11B". To avoid delays **DO NOT** leave these sections blank. If you do not need an item from one of the categories please check "NONE" in that section.

* If you are unsure of what type of equipment meets your needs, the TDDP encourages you to contact PA's Assistive Technology Lending Library. The Lending Library (ATLL) allows you to borrow equipment (at no cost) to help you decide what will work for you. Also, equipment demonstrations can be arranged through one of the regional Assistive Technology Resource Centers (ATRCs) of Pennsylvania's Initiative on Assistive Technology. Please contact the TDDP for more information on the ATLL and ATRCs.

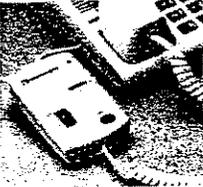
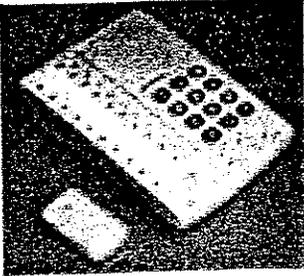
Make a copy of your application for your records!

Equipment Available through Pennsylvania's Telecommunication Device Distribution Program (TDDP)

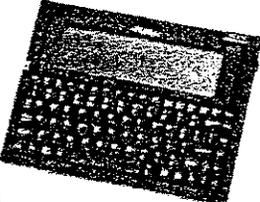
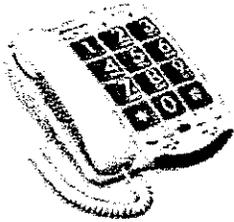
The following are pictures and descriptions of equipment available through Pennsylvania's Telecommunication Device Distribution Program (TDDP). If you are unsure of which device to request from TDDP, it is strongly suggested that you borrow the device for a trial period from Pennsylvania's Assistive Technology Lending Library (ATLL). The inventory codes for the ATLL are included in the device description for your convenience when completing the ATLL Device Loan Request form. Other descriptions and more information about these devices can be found on the ATLL website: <http://disabilities.temple.edu/atlend>.

Equipment	Description
<p style="text-align: center;">TTY Superprint 4425</p> 	<p>The Superprint 4425 has a built-in 24-character printer with date and time stamp for recording conversations. Call progress tells you if the phone you are calling is ringing or busy and TTY announcer tells hearing callers you are using a TTY. It features: direct connect, a built-in ring flasher, auto-busy redial, three way calling, 32K memory, TTY transfer, and auto-answer which takes messages when user is unavailable. ATLL code: TL-TTYVD-F (without large visual display)</p>
<p>TTY w/ Large Visual Display (Blue-Green; Rose-Red; or Amber LVD)</p> 	<p>This TTY has a computer style keyboard, large visual display (LVD) and printer. It has built-in caller ID, TTY Announcer, and a ring flasher. Other features include: 11 "one touch" function keys, remote message retrieval, 32K memory and arrow keys for easy review of conversations. ATLL code: TL-PRO80LVD</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Braillephone</p> 	<p>The Braillephone enables individuals who are Deaf/Blind to communicate face-to-face or on the phone. It has a 23 cell 8 dot refreshable Braille display that is connected to a modified TTY system with a 20-character visual display and a 25,000 character memory. Users can choose between using the full QWERTY keyboard or using the home row keys and spacebar as a Braille keyboard. ATLL code: TL-BRAIL</p>

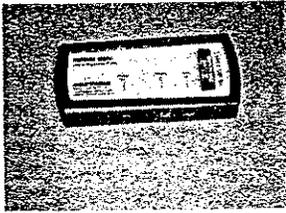
Equipment Available through Pennsylvania's
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Equipment	Description
 <p data-bbox="435 406 667 540">Amplified Large Button Speaker Phone, Crystal Tone+</p>	<p data-bbox="711 406 1539 683">Amplifies up to 50 dB and has an adjustable ringer up to 100 dB. Tone can be adjusted as needed. Also has a built-in speakerphone with adjustable volume control (at traditional volume levels only). Features: 10 memory buttons plus 3 emergency speed-dial keys, a bright ring flasher, a large high contrast dial pad and ability to increase the volume of the caller's outgoing voice. It is hearing aid compatible.</p> <p data-bbox="711 689 1089 719">ATLL code: TL-CRYSTL+</p>
 <p data-bbox="331 800 570 868">In-Line Handset Amplifier</p>	<p data-bbox="711 800 1539 1002">Connects easily between the handset and the phone base and amplifies incoming calls up to 40 dB. Tone selector amplifies specific frequencies for optimum speech clarity and distinction between similar sounding words. It cannot be used with telephones that have dialing pads in the handset.</p> <p data-bbox="711 1008 1016 1038">ATLL code: TL-AMP</p>
<p data-bbox="123 1119 651 1149">Hands-Free Speaker Phone, RC200</p> 	<p data-bbox="711 1119 1539 1427">This speakerphone gives "one-touch" access to dialing, answering, and memory scanning functions from up to 40 feet away. Phone can be dialed by using the one touch number, the wireless remote control, or a connected pillow or air switch. The voice activated feature allows the phone to be answered by voice. A handset or headset can be plugged in for privacy. Please note on the TDDP application if the pillow switch, air switch, lapel mic or headset mic are needed.</p> <p data-bbox="711 1434 997 1464">ATLL code: TL-VA</p>
 <p data-bbox="358 1544 656 1613">Cordless Phone w/ Amplification C4105</p>	<p data-bbox="711 1544 1539 1715">This cordless phone makes sounds louder and clearer and amplifies up to 40 dB. It has a large backlit keypad, adjustable volume and tone settings, and a loud vibrating handset ringer with visual ring indicators. It is hearing aid and t-coil compatible.</p> <p data-bbox="711 1721 1052 1751">ATLL code: TL-C4105</p>

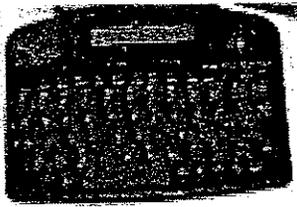
**Equipment Available through Pennsylvania's
Telecommunication Device Distribution Program (TDDP)**

Equipment	Description
 <p data-bbox="354 406 623 474">Cordless Headset Phone, CT-12</p>	<p data-bbox="703 406 1528 687">A pocket size single-line telephone that offers hands-free convenience and comfort. It comes with a convertible 2 in 1 headset for over-the-head stability or over-the-ear convenience as well as a belt/clothing clip. Its features include: a noise-canceling microphone for superior sound clarity, 10-number speed dial, and an in-use indicator light, which flashes to show others that you are on the phone. ATLL code: TL-CT12-F</p>
 <p data-bbox="363 800 656 938">Telephone Fluency System <i>(pictured phone not included)</i></p>	<p data-bbox="703 800 1511 1076">Anti-stuttering telephone device that plugs directly into the phone. It works by providing Delayed Auditory Feedback (DAF) and Frequency-shifted Auditory Feedback (FAF) which may improve the speaker's fluency. The caller's voice is heard in either the provided headset or the telephone's handset receiver. This system also has background noise reduction. ATLL code: TL-FLUENCY</p>
 <p data-bbox="363 1155 634 1223">Talking Keyboard, LinkPLUS Kit</p>	<p data-bbox="703 1155 1500 1325">LinkPLUS is a full-sized keyboard that speaks as you type or switch scan. It has a built in telephone with onscreen dialer, large display with choice of 2 font sizes, stored abbreviations and word prediction. ATLL code: AC-LINK+</p>
<p data-bbox="131 1406 639 1442">Talking Telephone, Amplified JV35</p> 	<p data-bbox="703 1406 1536 1719">This phone has high-contrast, large buttons with Braille embossing on the keys. There are also three one-touch programmable emergency buttons. An electronic voice calls out each number as it is dialed (this feature can be turned off). A person can use their own voice to record their own button announcements. It can amplify up to 37dB, has a bright ring flasher and adjustable tone and ringer (95 dB). ATLL code: TL-JV35</p>

Equipment Available through Pennsylvania's
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Equipment	Description
 <p data-bbox="402 400 675 502">Voice Activated Dialer, AblePhone 5000</p>	<p data-bbox="708 400 1516 612">This device connects between the telephone base and phone line, and allows the user to make a call by simply speaking the other person's name. Up to 60 name/number entries can be programmed. The unit's verbal prompts guide the user through the setup sequence.</p> <p data-bbox="708 614 1008 646">ATLL code: TL-DIAL</p>
 <p data-bbox="342 719 581 789">Photo Phone, Amplified, P300</p>	<p data-bbox="708 719 1511 895">This amplified (up to 20 dB) phone has nine large programmable photo memory buttons. A number can be dialed just by pressing on a picture. The ringer is adjustable, and there is also a bright ring flasher. This phone is hearing aid and T-coil compatible.</p> <p data-bbox="708 898 980 929">ATLL code: TL-PP</p>
 <p data-bbox="342 1006 602 1076">Big Button Phone speaker phone</p>	<p data-bbox="708 1006 1511 1140">This phone has large buttons with black on white number contrast for easy dialing. A bright red flashing light signals incoming calls. It has volume control and speakerphone capability.</p> <p data-bbox="708 1142 1040 1174">ATLL code: TL-REIZEN</p>
 <p data-bbox="435 1261 662 1332">VCO TTY, Uniphone 1140</p>	<p data-bbox="708 1261 1533 1576">This phone is a combination TTY, telephone, and handset that amplifies up to 20dB. It can be used for voice carry over, hearing carry over, direct connect and regular phone calls. It answers calls with a personalized greeting, and takes TTY messages when you are unavailable. It has a two line LCD display with backlight, a built-in ring flasher, 8 K of memory, 10 speed dial numbers, 3 emergency identification keys and a one-touch VCO request key.</p> <p data-bbox="708 1578 1073 1610">ATLL code: TL-UNI1140</p>

**Equipment Available through Pennsylvania's
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Equipment	Description
 <p>Hearing Carryover TTY, Q90D w/ speakers</p>	<p>This is a lightweight combination TTY/VCO with PC-style keyboard and one touch buttons for typing commonly used phrases. It has a built-in microphone for hands-free Voice Carry Over (VCO) calls. It also has a text answering machine with programmable personalized greeting and remote message retrieval. ATLL code: TL-Q90D-TDDP</p>
<p>VCO Amplified Phone</p> 	<p>This phone allows the user to make phone calls with their own voice and read the replies on the built-in screen. A preset text message can be programmed to initiate quick voice carry over calling. Phone has an adjustable loud ringer, amplifies up to 26 dB and has a built-in answering machine. Other features include: a bright flashing ring indicator, oversized keypad buttons, 12 programmable memory buttons and a programmable relay service speed dial button. It is hearing aid and T-coil compatible. ATLL code: TL-AMVCO</p>
 <p>Captioned Telephone (CapTel), amplified</p>	<p>The CapTel phone automatically connects to the CapTel Captioning Service when a call is made, and a text transcription of what is said appears as captions in the display window almost simultaneously. Captioning can be turned off if it is not needed. Phone has up to 35 dB amplification. ATLL code: TL-CAPTEL</p>
 <p>Loud Ring Signaler, CrystalTone Ringer</p>	<p>This signaler has a ring volume of up to 95 dB and has a flashing light indicator. Ring volume and frequency are adjustable, and different ring patterns can be set. ATLL code: TL-RING-TDDP</p>

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<p>Flashing Light Signaler, Simplicity LTD Ring Signaler</p> 	<p>The LTD Signaler plugs directly into the telephone line and alerts user of an incoming call by flashing a plugged-in lamp. It has a switch so that the lamp can be turned on and off for normal room lighting. ATLL code: TL-SIGN-TDDP</p>
<p>Vibrating Signaler, OmniPage Kit <i>(receiver shown)</i></p> 	<p>A telephone alert system about the size of a pager. Receiver easily clips onto a belt or pocket. When the phone rings, the transmitter sends a signal to the receiver, which vibrates to alert the wearer of the phone call. It has an 80 to 100 foot range. The kit includes the transmitter and the vibrating receiver/pager. ATLL code: TL-TTYPAGE</p>



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Mr. James J. McNulty, Secretary
Public Utility Commission
Commonwealth Keystone Building
400 North Street
P.O. Box 3265
Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265

Re: Act 181-2002 - Telecommunications Device Distribution Program (TDDP)
Docket No. M-00900239, File 0001 (May 1996-Original) and
Consumer Education Program (March 4, 1999);
Act 174-2004 - Dual Party Relay Service and Telecommunications
Device Distribution Program Act (November 29, 2004)

Dear Mr. McNulty:

The NFB-NEWSLINE® offered by the National Federation of the Blind provides The Print Media Access System Program to those who cannot read regular newsprint. Anyone who cannot read conventional newsprint can qualify for this service and is free to those subscribers.

This service is available in 42 states and the District of Columbia providing:

- 257 local and national newspapers
- 6 Spanish-language newspapers available to all subscribers
- 6 magazines including AARP publication, Wall Street Journal as well as The Associated Press news wire service
- the capability of delivering a newspaper via email directly to a subscribers In-box
- local TV listings

and is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week with local as well as toll-free access.

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Through the Commonwealth's partnership with NFB-NEWSLINE®, a subscriber can choose that day's, the previous day's, or the previous Sunday's issue of any newspaper in the service and choose a section and article using a standard touch-tone telephone. Pennsylvania's participating newspapers provide the subscriber with access to all content when traveling throughout the United States.

NFB-NEWSLINE® participating newspapers include:

- Allentown Morning Call
- Centre Daily Times
- Erie Times News
- Hanover Evening Sun
- Lancaster News
- Harrisburg Patriot News
- Philadelphia Daily News
- Philadelphia Inquirer
- Pittsburgh Post-Gazette
- Pittsburgh Tribune Review
- Wilkes-Barre Times Leader
- York Dispatch

As of September 12, 2007, there are 1,214 subscribers to this service throughout the Commonwealth. All customers of the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation, Bureau of Blindness & Visual Services are offered the opportunity to subscribe to this service. Also, individuals are offered the opportunity to subscribe when enrolling in the Books for the Blind and Physically Handicapped Program administered by the Library of Congress and cooperating network libraries.

Relevant Contract provisions:

2.7 PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE

This agreement is for a period of twelve (12) months beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2008.

2.8 FEES

NFB-NEWSLINE® annual service fee for 07/01/07 - 06/30/08: \$40,000

- The Newspapers included with the annual service fee are:
 - Philadelphia Inquirer: Knight Ridder paper
 - Philadelphia Daily News: Knight Ridder paper
 - Centre Daily Times: Knight Ridder paper
 - Wilkes-Barre Times Leader: Knight Ridder paper
 - Hanover Evening Sun: Media News Group paper
 - York Dispatch: Media News Group paper

- Lancaster News: base paper
- Patriot News: base paper

Annual newspaper maintenance and distribution fee: \$20,000

- This includes 4 newspapers at \$5,000 each:
 - Allentown Morning Call
 - Erie Times News
 - Pittsburgh Post-Gazette
 - Pittsburgh Tribune Review

Annual setup, maintenance, and distribution of new newspapers fee: \$20,000

- This anticipates adding two newspapers at \$10,000 each.

Annual telecommunications subscription fee: \$19,196

- A prorated fee assessed to all states for this contract year for NFB-NEWSLINE's® telecommunications service.

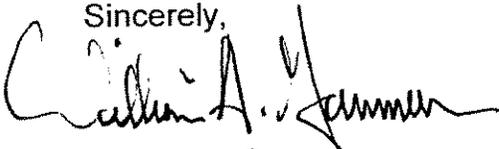
Total invoice: \$99,196

This amount exceeds the amount anticipated for this contract year for three reasons:

- A. In May 2007, the National Federation of the Blind (NFB) informed the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation (OVR) that they would be assessing Pennsylvania \$19,196. for a telecommunications subscription fee,
- B. NFB-NEWSLINE assesses the fee for two anticipated additional papers at the beginning of the contract year,
- C. The Maintenance and Distribution Fee is now for 4 papers increasing the cost by \$5,000 from \$15,000. to \$20,000.

If you have any additional questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,



William A. Gannon
Executive Director

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