

To - Mark Sallas
From - ~~Wendy~~ Wendy

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY HEREBY FINDS, DETERMINES, AND DECLARES THAT:

- a) IT IS THE POLICY OF THE STATE OF COLORADO TO PROMOTE A COMPETITIVE TELECOMMUNICATIONS MARKETPLACE WHILE PROTECTING AND MAINTAINING A WIDE AVAILABILITY OF HIGH-QUALITY TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES;
- b) INCREASED COMPETITION IN THIS MARKET PLACE WILL BENEFIT CONSUMERS AND BUSINESSES IN COLORADO;
- c) RETAIL TELECOMMUNICATIONS CONSUMERS IN THIS STATE SHOULD HAVE THE CHOICE BETWEEN AND AMONG PROVIDERS OF LOCAL EXCHANGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES AND WHETHER A CONSUMER CAN CHANGE PROVIDERS OF BASIC LOCAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE EASILY AND AT COMPARABLE COST IS A SIGNIFICANT FACTOR IN THAT CHOICE;
- d) CONSUMERS SHOULD HAVE THE SAME EASE, TIMELINESS, AND COST OF SWITCHING A LOCAL EXCHANGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE THAT OCCURS WHEN THOSE CUSTOMERS DECIDE TO CHANGE THEIR PROVIDER OF LONG DISTANCE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES.

Wendy -
FYI -
let's talk
about this.
Mark S.

CHOICE OF LOCAL EXCHANGE PROVIDER.

- 1. CUSTOMERS SHALL BE ABLE TO CHANGE PROVIDERS OF BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE FROM THEIR INCUMBENT LOCAL EXCHANGE CARRIER TO A COMPETITIVE LOCAL EXCHANGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS PROVIDER WITH THE SAME EASE, TIMELINESS AND COST AS WHEN CUSTOMERS CHANGE PROVIDERS OF LONG DISTANCE SERVICES.
- 2. AS TO ITS PRICING AND PROVISION OF WHOLESALE LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE, NO LOCAL EXCHANGE PROVIDER SHALL MAKE OR GRANT ANY PREFERENCE OR ADVANTAGE TO ANY OTHER PROVIDER OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE OVER THAT PROVIDER'S COMPETITORS OR CREATE ANY ADVANTAGE ON ITS OWN BEHALF IN ITS PRICING OR PROVISION OF SUCH WHOLESALE SERVICE THAT IT DOES NOT OFFER TO OTHER PROVIDERS.
- 3. THE COMMISSION SHALL PROMULGATE RULES TO IMPLEMENT THIS SECTION. IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS ACT, THE COMMISSION SHALL IDENTIFY ALL TECHNICALLY FEASIBLE METHODS FOR CUSTOMERS TO CHANGE PROVIDERS OF BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE AND PROMULGATE RULES FOR THOSE METHODS. IN ADDITION, AS NEW METHODS BECOME TECHNICALLY FEASIBLE, THE COMMISSION SHALL UPDATE THE RULES TO ADD THOSE NEW METHODS. THE COMMISSION'S GOAL SHALL BE TO INCLUDE RULES TO FACILITATE FULLY ELECTRONIC METHODS FOR FACILITIES BASED COMPETITION.