Telecom Order CRTC 2006-120

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TELUS Communications Company

Reference: Tariff Notices 202 and 202A (National Services Tariff)

Revisions to Carrier Access Tariff

Background

- 1. In Telecom Order CRTC 2006-49, 9 March 2006 (Order 2006-49), the Commission approved on an interim basis the application by TELUS Communications Company (TCC), filed on 28 February 2006, to add Item 228, Card Swipe Access Service, to its Carrier Access Tariff, effective 31 March 2006. This service provides the capability for all TCC public telephones that are equipped with card readers to read a toll-free number (i.e., 1-800 or 1-888) that is encoded in the magnetic stripe of a non-TCC calling card, of either Type A or Type B format, and automatically dial that number.
- 2. On 10 March 2006, subsequent to the publication of Order 2006-49, TCC filed a revision to its 28 February 2006 application, under the cover of Tariff Notice 202A, in order to support access by the Type B card format only. TCC indicated that since the dissolution of the Stentor alliance, it had only been capable of supporting access by the Type B card format.
- 3. TCC submitted that it had not received any requests from competitors to support access by calling cards in the Type A format, but that it would be willing to consider offering access for Type A format cards if requested by a competitor.
- 4. The Commission received no comments with respect to this application.

Commission's analysis and determinations

5. The Commission **approves** TCC's application. The Commission, however, reminds TCC of its commitment to offer support for Type A format cards if requested to do so by a competitor.

Secretary General

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¹ Effective 1 May 2006, TELUS Communications Inc. assigned and transferred all of its assets and liabilities, including all of its service contracts, to TELUS Communications Company.