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Ms. Diane Rheaume Secretary General, Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0N2

Dear Ms. Rheaume:

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Subject: Telecom Decision CRTC 97-16 - Quality of Service

In accordance with Telecom Decision CRTC 97-16, Quality of Service Indicators for Use in Telephone Company Regulation, TBayTel files its Quality of Service – Fourth Quarter 2005 results.

Also, as directed by Dccision 97-16, this information has been filed with the Commission in electronic format for public viewing and comparison with the results of other telephone companies.

Sincerely,

Stephen Scofich Regulatory Analyst

Attachment

cc: Betty Lafaver

TBayTel - QUALITY OF SERVICE INDICATORS

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		October/05	November/05	December/05
Indicator 1.1B:	Provisioning Interval Number of days required to provide service from the date of customer's request	96	97	92
CRTC Standard	90% or more completed within 10 working days			
Indicator 1.2B:	installation Appointments Met The total number of appointments booked and the number met, with percentage of those met relative to the total booked	96	97	97
CRTC Standard:	90% or more			
Indicator 1.3B: I	Held Orders per 100 Network Access Services Inward Movement The number of outstanding requests for NAS which were not met on the due date because of facility shortages, expressed as a percentage of 100 NAS Inward Movement (Orders)	0.0	0.1	0.0
CRTC Standard	3 3% or Less			
Indicator 1.4: He	eld Upgrades per 100 Upgrade Requests - Rural The number of rural outstanding requests for higher grades of service (e.g., from4-party to 2-party service) unfilled for more than 30 days	0	O	0
CRTC Standard:	53% or less			
Indicator 1.5: Ac	cess to Business Office The percentage of calls to a business office answered in 20 seconds or less	71(2)	65(2)	58(2)
CRTC Standard:	80% or more answered in 20 seconds			
Indicator 1.6: Co	Propertitor Installation Appointments Met The total number of installation appointments booked and the number met, with percentage of those met relative to the total booked for customers who are also competitors	Note (1)	Note (1)	Note (1)
CRTC Standard:	90% or more			

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Indicator 1.7: On-Time Activation of PICs for Alternate Providers of Long Distance Service (APLDS) PIC activation is the provisioning process whereby the incumbent telephone companies switch a customer's long distance service over to a competitor. The service provisioning interval should be two business days for routine PIC activation and 11 to 16 days for complex services such as Centrex and Megalink.	100	100	100
CRTC Standard 90% or more		•	
Indicator 2.1B: Out-of-Service Trouble Reports Cleared Within 24 Hours The total of initial out-of-service trouble reports and those cleared within 24 hours. Percentage of those cleared relative to this total	75	75	75
CRTC Standard: 80% or more in 24 hours			
Indicator 2.2B: Repair Appointments Met The actual number and percentage of repair appointments met	83(2)	84(2)	83(2)
CRTC Standard: 90% or more			
Indicator 2.3B: Initial Customer Trouble Reports per 100 Network Access Service (NAS) A report of a trouble indicating improper functioning of service on which there was no outstanding trouble report	1.19	1.24	0.89
CRTC Standard: 5% or less			
Indicator 2.4 Community Isolation Community isolation resulting from trunk failure that lasts one hour or more	0	0	0
Indicator 2.5: Access to Repair Bureau The percentage of calls to a repair bureau answered in 20 seconds or less	89	90	88
CRTC Standard 80% or more in 20 seconds			
Indicator 2.6: Competitor Repair Appointments Met The total number of repair appointments booked and the number met, with percentage of those met relative to the total booked for customers who are also competitors	Note (1)	Note (1)	Note (1)
CRTC Standard 90% or more			

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Indicator 3.1: Di	al Tone Delay The percentage of attempted calls during the busy hour experiencing dial tone delay of three seconds or less	99.99	99.99	99.96
CRTC Standard:	98.5% or more			
Indicator 4.1: Di	rectory Accuracy The percentage of customer listings in the white pages of company directories published without errors or omissions	99.7	99.7	99.6
CRTC Standard:	93.8% or more			
Indicator 4.2: Ac	cess to Directory Assistance The percentage of calls to Directory Assistance that are answered in 20 seconds or less	99.3	99.4	99.3
CRTC Standard	80% or more			
Indicator 4.3: Dir	rectory Assistance - Accuracy The percentage of directory listings provided to customers without error	98.6	100.0	92.9
CRTC Standard:	93.8% or more without error			
Indicator 5.1: Cu	stomer Complaints The number of complaints addressed to officers and department heads of the telephone companies and the Commission			
Complaints per 1	000 NAS			
	Provisioning Repair Service Local Service Long Distance Service Operator Service Directory Service Billing Service	0.01163 0.00000 0.01163 0.00000 0.00000 0.00000 0.00000	0.00000 0.00000 0.00000 0.00000 0.00000 0.00000	0.00000 0.00000 0.00000 0.00000 0.00000 0.00000
	TOTAL	0.02326	0.00000	0.00000
Indicator 5.2: Customer Complaints Resolved The percentage of Indicator 5.1 complaints, oral and written addressed to the telephone companies resolved within 20 working days		100	100	100

<u>TBayTel</u> 2005 NOTES

October, November and December 2005

(1) Indicator 1.6 and 2.6: Competitor Installation & Repair Appointments Met

Thunder Bay Telephone has no competitors as identified by Telecom Decision CRTC 97-16, at this time, and therefore these Indicators are not applicable for TBT.

(2) Indicator 1.5 Access to Business Office Indicator 2.2B: Repair Appointments Met

Exception reports for Indicators 1.5 and 2.2B have been included with TBayTel's Third quarter 2005 Quality of Service Indicator results.

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Indicator 1.5: Access to Business Office

Year:

2005

Period:

4th Quarter

Standard:

80%

Result

July Augu 71%

August

65%

September

58%

Explanation of results:

Launch of new bundling campaign as of October 31, 2006 had an impact on call volumes and length of calls with inquiries into the new campaign.

The equivalent of 2 Full Time Employees are dedicated to a new unified billing system project.

-December staffing levels were reduced due to Holiday absences

The MIS went down a few times in the month of December and therefore call data had to be manual reproduced.

Action Plan:

TBayTel is in the process of converting to a new Customer Relationship Management system which will allow for faster completion of service changes and requests: estimated time of deployment is March 2006. It is anticipated that this change will decrease AHT (average handle time) and improve ASA (Average Speed of Answer).

Non-call work has been deferred to Overtime to ensure all CSRs are answering calls.

In order to correct issues with the loss of call data a new MIS will be procured in 2006.

Time Frame:

Deployment of a new Customer Relationship Management system is estimated for March 2006.

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Indicator 2.2B: Repair Appointments Met

Year:

2005

Period:

4th Quarter

Standard:

90%

Month

Result

July

83%

August

84%

September

83%

Explanation of results:

Installation work continued to be high leaving very few days were technicians could be transferred over to repair.

Action Plan:

TBayTel is implementing a new Work Force Management System that will assist dispatch at the beginning of the 1st quarter of 2006. This will help internal efficiencies with dispatching.

Time Frame:

The Work Force Management System is targeted for deployment by the 1st quarter of 2006.