General Instructions

✓ The Annual Report is available in electronic form on the Colorado Public Utilities Commission's website at:

http://www.colorado.gov/cs/Satellite?c=Page&childpagename=DORA-PUC%2FDORALayout&cid=1251633823994&p=1251633823994&pagename=CBONWrapper

- ✓ The Annual Report has been revised. **Please do not use a prior year's version.**
- ✓ The electronic version of the Annual Report includes formulas; no calculations are necessary. Lines containing formulas are highlighted in yellow on the report. Those lines have been password protected; please do not attempt to enter numerical values on those lines. If you are completing the Annual Report manually, please continue to compute totals for each section.
- ✓ The Department of Revenue's form DR 0525 has been incorporated into the workbook. After completing the DR 0525, **print and sign it**. Mail it to:

Colorado Department of Revenue PUC: Excise Tax Accounting Section 1375 Sherman Street, Room 237 Denver, CO 80261

✓ If you have any questions regarding completion of the annual report or **if you do not have access to the Internet and need the forms mailed to you**, please contact Judy Swinnerton at 303-894-2856.

Filing Deadline

- ✓ Annual Reports shall be filed no later than **April 30, 2013**, for the reporting period ended December 31, 2012.
- ✓ If you are not able to file the Annual Report by the April 30, 2013, deadline, you must file a Motion for an Extension of Time to File for a period not to exceed 30 days. The motion must state good cause why you are unable to meet the filing deadline. If granted, this extension of time **shall not apply** to the deadline for filing the copy of the DR 0525.

How to File the Annual Report

- ✓ Please file with the Commission as follows:
 - a. Each company is strongly encouraged to have one of its designated filers submit an executable electronic copy (e.g. Excel) in the appropriate proceeding number (13M-0104T) via the Commission's E-Filings system at https://www.dora.state.co.us/pls/efi/EFI.homepage. Once in the E-Filings system, select the document type "Annual Report" and in the title field insert the Company's name, along with "2012 Annual Report." E-filing is a fast, efficient, and less costly way to submit filings to the Public Utilities Commission.
 - b. The filing must include the annual report, your most recent CPA audit report, and a copy of the Colorado Department of Revenue's form DR 0525 ("Report of Gross Operating Revenues"). Note, please use the docket number, 13M-0104T for the proceeding number when E-filing.

E-Filing

- ✓ To file electronically, each regulated utility must have at least one Filer Administrator. If your utility is currently not set up to file through E-Filings, contact Alison Torvik at alison.torvik@state.co.us or (303) 894-2885 or Cathy Lopez at cathy.lopez@state.co.us or (303) 894-2029.
- ✓ If filing paper copies, please submit **an original and a copy** of these forms to the following address at the applicable time:

Doug Dean Director Colorado Public Utilities Commission 1560 Broadway, Suite 250 Denver, CO 80202

a. Please also send an electronic executable copy of the workbook to the following e-mail address: <u>Judith.Swinnerton@state.co.us</u>. **DO NOT E-MAIL A NON-EXECUTABLE** (e.g., PDF) FILE.

Audit Authority

The Commission reserves the right to inspect the records and documents of any public utility, and to examine under oath any officer, agent, or employee of such public utility in relation to the business and affairs of said public utility, pursuant to the audit authority granted to the Commission in § 40-6-106, C.R.S.

Specific Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier Reporting Instructions

- ✓ The Annual Report for Class A and B telephone companies shall be filed by all companies operating telephone exchanges and having annual operating revenues of less than \$100 million.
- ✓ Information required in the Annual Report shall be taken from the accounts and records prescribed in 47 *Code of Federal Regulations*, Part 32. The definitions and instructions contained therein shall also apply to this report, whenever applicable.
- ✓ To facilitate the performance of Commission Staff compliance audits, please report account balances in accordance with your accounting records (*i.e.*, Class A or B accounts).

Specific Competitive Local Exchange Carrier, Emerging Competitive Telecommunications services and Registered Toll Reseller Instructions

- ✓ This annual report must be completed by all Competitive Local Exchange Carriers (CLECs), providers of Emerging Competitive Telecommunications Services (Part 3 providers), and registered toll resellers. If you are not sure whether a specific telecommunications service is regulated by the Commission, please refer to §§ 40-15-201, 301, 302.5, 401, and 501, C.R.S., for more information.
- ✓ Your company must complete the tabs that are applicable to the nature of your business, *i.e.*, CLECS will generally complete all tabs but toll resellers may only complete the first four tabs. CLECs must identify the access lines by zones. **DO NOT REPORT ALL ACCESS LINES IN Owest Corporation's ZONE 1.**
- ✓ If your company is a facility-based CLEC, you **must** complete the Operational Statistic tab.
- ✓ Failure to file the annual report with the Commission by April 30, 2013, may result in severe penalties, including possible revocation of the provider's Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity, Letter of Registration, or Toll Reseller Registration; order the underlying facilities-based carriers to disconnect the company from the public switched network; and/or order other combination of the forgoing remedial actions which the Commission deems appropriate.