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July 7, 2005

ADVICE LETTER NO. 82

Colorado Public Utilities Commission
Logan Towers - Office Level 2
1580 Logan Street
Denver, CO 80203

Nucla-Naturita Telephone Company (the Company) issues the enclosed access tariff sheet and sends it to you for filing to comply with the requirements of Colorado Public Utilities Law.

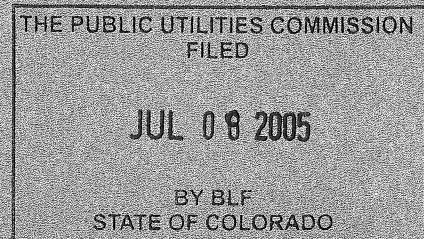
Colorado P.U.C. No. 5 - Intrastate Access Tariff		
New Sheet Number	Title of Sheet	Canceled Sheet No.
16 th Revised Page No. 3	Access Service	15 th Revised Page No. 3
8 th Revised Page No. 4	Access Service	7 th Revised Page No. 4

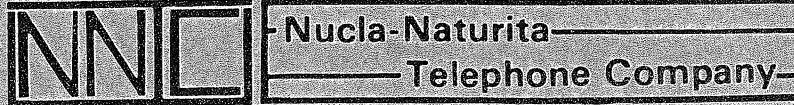
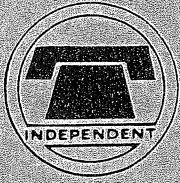
PRINCIPAL PROPOSED CHANGES

The intrastate and special access changes contained in these tariff revisions are in order to comply with the Rules Prescribing the Standard Procedures for Separating the Property Costs, Revenues, Expenses, Taxes, and Reserves for Access Charges of Rural Telecommunications Providers (4 CCR 723-27).

Concurrent with these tariff changes, the Company is requesting to re-establish its level of support from the Colorado High Cost Fund under the Rules Prescribing the Procedures for Administering the Colorado High Cost Fund (4 CCR 723-41). The Company qualifies for \$63,919 of support for High Cost Loops (Rule 18.1) and \$167,686 of support for High Exchange Trunk Costs (Rule 18.3). Accordingly, the Company seeks to re-establish support in the amount of \$231,605 from the Colorado High Cost Support Mechanism.

Proprietary exhibits supporting this filing have been sent under separate cover.





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EFFECT ON UTILITY REVENUES

It is anticipated that the Company's revenues will increase by \$216,357, producing an overall intrastate rate-of-return of 6.93%. The Company anticipates its proposed intrastate access rates will generate an additional \$64,094 in revenues -- specifically, \$56,296 in switched access and \$7,798 in special access. The amount support requested from the Colorado High Cost by the Company represents an increase of \$152,263 over its current draw.

EFFECT ON CUSTOMERS

The Company is not seeking an increase in local rates in this filing, accordingly, residential and business customers will not be impacted. However, the Company has proposed changing certain intrastate access rates. Impacted customers are being notified of the proposed changes. A certificate of notification will be sent under separate cover.

It is desired that the tariff sheets accompanying this letter become effective on August 8, 2005.

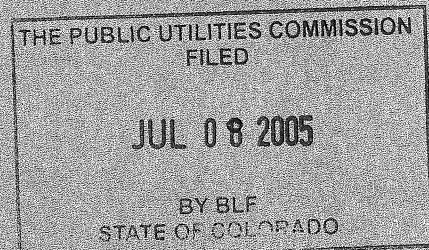
If you have any questions concerning this filing, please contact Kevin Kelly at (719) 266-4334.

Sincerely,

Michele Carpenter

Michele Carpenter
Agent for Nucla-Naturita Telephone Company
per 8/6/98 Authorization Letter

CC: Kelly Tomlinson, Nucla-Naturita Telephone Company
Rob Trokey, Office of Consumer Counsel



ACCESS SERVICE

12. Rates and Charges

All the rates and charges for the services offered in this tariff are shown in this section. Reference is made for each rate element to the appropriate paragraph in the Agate Tariff where the application of the service is described.

12.1 Switched Access Service

	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Source</u>	
(A) Carrier Common Line			
(1) Originating Per Access Minute	\$.0427	3.7.E	(I)
(2) Terminating Per Access Minute	\$.0641	3.7.E (I)	(I)
(B) End Office			
(1) Local Switching Per Access Minute	\$.0297	6.1.3(B) (1)	(I)
(2) Directory Assistance Information Surcharge Per Access Minute	\$.0001	6.1.3(B) (2)	(R)
(C) Local Transport			
(1) Local Transport Termination Per Access Minute	\$.0267	6.1.3(A)	(I)
(2) Local Transport Facility Per Access Minute Per Mile	N/A	6.1.3(A)	
(D) Installation Charge Per Installation	\$290.00	6.6.1(B)	

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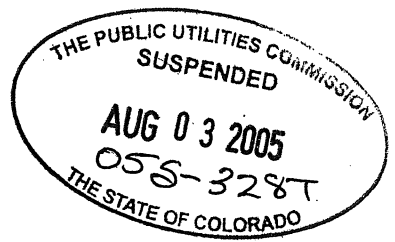
12.2 Special Access Service

	<u>Monthly</u> <u>Rates</u>	Non- <u>Recurring</u> <u>Charges</u>	<u>Source</u>
<u>A. Channel Termination</u>			
(1) Voice Grade Channel Two Wire Per Termination	39.85	223.00	7.1.2(A) (R)
Four Wire Per Termination	63.76	223.00	7.1.2(A) (R)
<u>B. Channel Mileage</u>			
(1) Channel Mileage Termination Per Termination	N/A		7.1.2(B)
(2) Channel Mileage Facility Per Mile	26.36		7.1.2(B) (I)
<u>C. Optional Features</u>			
As Ordered	ICB	ICB	7.1.2(C)
<u>D. Special Access Surcharge</u>			
Per Voice Grade Equivalent Circuit	25.00		7.3.3(A)

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

NUCLA-NATURITA TELEPHONE COMPANY)
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PROTEST AND REQUEST FOR HEARING
OF THE COLORADO OFFICE OF CONSUMER COUNSEL

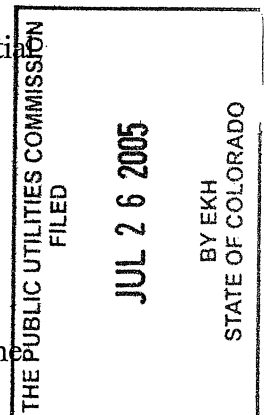
The Colorado Office of Consumer Counsel ("OCC"), by and through its undersigned counsel, submits the following Protest and Request for Hearing in the above-captioned matter. As grounds therefore, the OCC states:

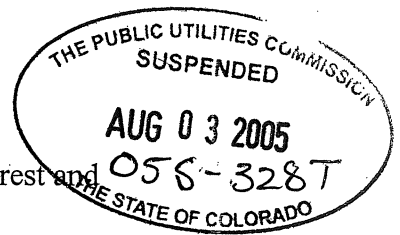
1. On or about July 7, 2005, Nucla-Naturita Telephone Company ("Nucla-Naturita") or the "Company") filed Advice Letter No. 82 seeking to increase intrastate and special access rates and also requesting an increase in its support from the Colorado High Cost Support Mechanism ("CHCSM").

2. Advice Letter No. 82 does not propose to increase retail rates, but the increased support from the CHCSM would affect retail customers who contribute to the CHCSM.

3. Advice Letter No. 82 affects the constituency the OCC is statutorily mandated to represent pursuant to C.R.S. § 40-6.5-104, as Nucla-Naturita serves residential, agricultural, and small business customers in Colorado.

4. The OCC requests that Advice Letter No. 82 be suspended and set for Hearing. The reason for the OCC's request is based upon Nucla-Naturita's proposed increased support from the CHCSM. A hearing is necessary to determine if granting the





access rate increase and CHCSM support increase would be in the public interest and would result in just and reasonable rates.

5. This protest is timely filed.

6. The OCC requests that copies of all pleadings, correspondence, notices, rulings, orders, decisions, testimony, exhibits, discovery, and/or notices of any open meetings relating to this proceeding be forwarded to:

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Rate/Financial Analyst
Office of Consumer Counsel
1580 Logan Street, Suite740
Denver, CO 80203

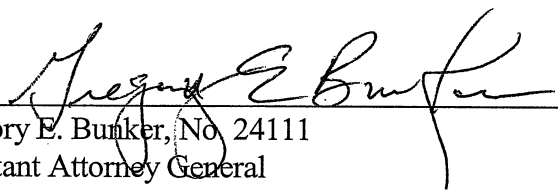
and

Gregory E. Bunker, Esq.
Assistant Attorney General
Office of Consumer Counsel Unit
Office of the Attorney General
1525 Sherman St., 5th Floor
Denver, CO 80203

WHEREFORE, the OCC protests Nucla-Naturita's Advice Letter No. 82 and respectfully requests that the Commission establish a Docket and set the matter for Hearing.

Dated this 26th day of July, 2005.

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