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To: All Hamilton Telephone Company Basic Local Exchange Service Customers

In accordance with Nebraska statutes and the Rules of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, Hamilton Telephone Company is providing you with this letter as notice of its intention to increase basic local exchange service rates effective with your September 2012 bill. These increases will be effective for all of Hamilton Telephone Company's residential and business customers. The proposed basic local exchange service rate increases are as follows:

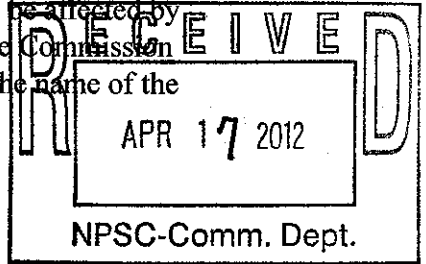
	Current Monthly Rate	Proposed Monthly Rate
Residential Line	\$17.25	\$17.95
Business Line	\$17.25	\$17.95

The rate change is necessary because access revenues from long distance companies for use of Hamilton Telephone Company's local telephone service facilities have continued to decrease while we have seen increases in our costs of doing business in many areas. This rate change brings Hamilton's rates to the benchmark recommended by the Public Service Commission for urban rates and our rates remain below the benchmark for rural subscribers. Hamilton Telephone Company has worked hard to control our costs and keep our rates as low as possible. Our last rate increase was approved by the Nebraska Public Service Commission in 2010 resulting in the current monthly rate of \$17.25.

If you have questions or concerns regarding this rate change, please feel free to join us at the following public meetings:

- May 21st at 7:00 PM – Bremer Community Center, 1604 L Street, Aurora
- May 23rd at 7:00 PM – Community Hall, 302 Marquis Avenue, Marquette
- May 24th at 7:00 PM – Town Hall, 105 W. Plum, Doniphan

If you are opposed to implementation of the new rates, you have the right, as an affected customer, to petition the Commission for a review of these proposed rate increases. In accordance with applicable statutes and Commission Rules, Commission review will occur if at least five percent (5%) of our customers present proper complaints to the Commission. Since 3,706 Hamilton Telephone Company customers will be affected by this increase at least 185 customers must sign and file complaints with the Commission for Commission review to occur. Each complaint is required to include the name of the

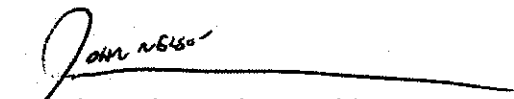


customer, the signature of the customer, and the telephone number (to aid the Commission in verifying the customer's identity). In addition, as required by Nebraska law, any petition must be submitted to the Commission not later than July 24, 2012.

For more information or to obtain a complaint form, contact the Nebraska Public Service Commission at 402-471-3101 or 1-800-526-0017, or visit the Commission's website at www.psc.nebraska.gov.

Please feel free to contact Hamilton Telephone Company with any questions regarding this matter at 402-694-5101. We appreciate your business and look forward to continuing to provide you with the highest level of service at the lowest possible rates.

Sincerely,


John Nelson, Vice President
Hamilton Telephone Company

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