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Mary Jo Kunkle
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Michigan Public Service Commission
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Dear Ms. Kunkle:

Re: In the matter, on the Commission's own motion, to implement the provisions of
Section 301a of 2005 PA 235.
Compliance with May 25, 2006 Order in Case No. U-14899

Enclosed for filing is the **Submission of Deerfield Farmers' Telephone Company and its CLEC to the Commission's May 25, 2006 Order.**

Thank you for your assistance in this matter and please contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

FOSTER, SWIFT, COLLINS & SMITH, P.C.

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BEFORE THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
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**SUBMISSION OF DEERFIELD FARMERS' TELEPHONE COMPANY AND ITS
CLEC TO THE COMMISSION'S MAY 25, 2006 ORDER**

Deerfield Farmers' Telephone Company and its CLEC ("Deerfield"), through its attorneys, Foster, Swift, Collins & Smith, P.C., file this submission with the Michigan Public Service Commission ("Commission") in response to the Commission's May 25, 2006 Order in the above captioned case.

1. Deerfield makes this submission voluntarily. Deerfield's submission is not to be construed as an admission that the Commission has authority to: (1) issue the May 25, 2006 Order; or (2) require Deerfield to respond or make this submission.
2. Deerfield states that it is fully capable of providing primary basic local exchange service ("PBLES"). Deerfield has had such capability since April 1, 2006. Pursuant to Section 304 of the Michigan Telecommunications Act ("MTA") and the Commission's Orders in Case No. U-14731, Deerfield has established the rates, terms, and conditions of its provision of PBLES (through Tariff No. 31R). Deerfield has received the Commission's approval of its filed tariff relating to PBLES.

3. In responding to the Commission's request that Deerfield provide evidence of all steps taken to offer PBLES, Deerfield states the following:
 - a. Deerfield properly filed its PBLES tariff with the Commission and received Commission approval of such tariff filing.
 - b. Deerfield has prepared its network, systems, and personnel to offer and provide PBLES to requesting customers.
 - c. Deerfield's billing systems are capable of properly billing customers who choose to purchase PBLES.
 - d. Deerfield's customer service personnel have been fully advised of the particulars of PBLES and are prepared to explain the service to customers. Also, Deerfield has trained its customer service personnel to mention PBLES whenever faced with a generic inquiry about available plans. Further, Deerfield has posted its tariff (including PBLES tariff) on-line, making the existence of its PBLES offering available for all to view.
 - e. Customers desiring to subscribe to PBLES may do so and Deerfield will begin providing PBLES to such customers.
4. In response to the Commission's request that Deerfield provide the Commission with information regarding the number of requests for PBLES since the passage of Act 235 and the number of customers who are receiving PBLES as of May 1, 2006, Deerfield states as follows:

- a. Since Act 235 was passed, Deerfield has received inquiries from 3 persons as to the availability of PBLES through Deerfield, and received general inquiries from about 3 other persons asking about the availability of lesser expensive calling plans for them (to which Deerfield representatives responded by apprising the respective callers about PBLES, among others).
- b. As of May 1, 2006, Deerfield had no customers subscribed to Deerfield's PBLES plan (although 1 customer did subscribe to Deerfield's PBLES plan after May 1, 2006). Deerfield believes that there are two primary reasons for the lack of customers subscribed to Deerfield's PBLES plan as of May 1, 2006. First, Deerfield has no vacation rate for PBLES, which generally appeals to Deerfield's more seasonal customers. Second, customers who need dial-up internet service generally do not sign up for PBLES as PBLES cannot be used for data calls.

Respectfully submitted,

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