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From: Filkosky, Andrew <afilkosky@pa.gov>
Sent: Thursday, September 13, 2012 3:10 PM
To: mmotel@prisonlegalnews.org
Subject: RE: Request for Department of Corrections Telephone Contracts and Related Commission Information/RTKL 1017-12

Ms. Motel,

Below are the answers to the questions you have pertaining to RTKL 1017-12.

Thank you,

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From: Mel Motel [<mailto:mmotel@prisonlegalnews.org>]
Sent: Wednesday, August 29, 2012 4:22 PM
To: Filkosky, Andrew
Subject: RE: Request for Department of Corrections Telephone Contracts and Related Commission Information/RTKL 1017-12

Dear Mr. Filkosky,

Thank you for responding to my request regarding corrections contracts and associated information. I have had a chance to look over the documents and I appreciate the thorough response to my request.

After looking through the documents, I have one lingering question that I am hoping you or someone from your department can help me with. The question is in regards to my request for calling rates. In the attached document (Attachment 1), the Telecommunications Contract Change Request Form, signed on 2/2/11, lists a new debit calling rate; the following page titled "Inmate Telephone Contract Rates" lists call rates for collect, prepaid, and debit calls. So I am assuming those are the rates for 2011 – the present.

The prepaid/debit rates from 2009-January 2011 were as follows.

Type Call	Surcharge	Per minute rate
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Local 1.60 None
 IntraLata 1.25 .14/min
 IntraState 2.15 .20/min
 InterState 2.45 .45/min

Prepaid/Debit rates from February 2011 to present are:

Local 1.52 None
 IntraLata 1.1875 .133/min
 IntraState 2.0425 .19/min
 InterState 2.3275 .4275/min

Prepaid rates were put onto the sheet with the collect and debit rates in error. Prepaid and Debit are actually the same and the Prepaid rates listed on the sheet were actually the old Debit rates prior to February 2011.

I looked through the documents trying to find rates for the years 2009 and 2010, and the most recent rate info I could find (prior to the aforementioned documents) is from RFP #2005-081-011 (also attached). Can you confirm that the rates in this RFP are the rates that were in effect until the debit change in Feb. 2011?

The collect rates that were and are still in effect from 2009 to present are below:

Call Type	Local		Net Call Cost	IntraLata		Net Call Cost	IntraState (In state LD)		Net Call Cost	InterState (Out of state LD)		Net Call Cost
	Surcharge	Per Min	15 Min	Surcharge	Per Min	15 Min	Surcharge	Per Min	15 Min	Surcharge	Per Min	15 Min
Collect	\$1.65	None	\$1.65	\$1.45	\$0.15	\$3.70	\$2.35	\$0.26	\$6.25	\$3.50	\$0.50	\$11.00

The Debit rates from 2009 to January 2011 are below:

Call Type	Local		Net Call Cost	IntraLata		Net Call Cost	IntraState (In state LD)		Net Call Cost	InterState (Out of state LD)		Net Call Cost
	Surcharge	Per Min	15 Min	Surcharge	Per Min	15 Min	Surcharge	Per Min	15 Min	Surcharge	Per Min	15 Min
Debit	\$1.60	None	\$1.60	\$1.25	\$0.14	\$3.35	\$2.15	\$0.20	\$5.15	\$2.45	\$0.46	\$9.00

The Debit rates from February 2011 to present are:

Call Type	Local		Net Call Cost	IntraLata		Net Call Cost	IntraState (In state LD)		Net Call Cost	InterState (Out of state LD)		Net Call Cost
	Surcharge	Per Min	15 Min	Surcharge	Per Min	15 Min	Surcharge	Per Min	15 Min	Surcharge	Per Min	15 Min

Debit	\$1.52	None	\$1.52	1.1875	\$0.133	\$3.1825	\$2.0425	\$0.19	\$4.8925	\$2.3275	\$0.4275	\$8.74
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The rates listed in the RFP were examples for the RFP.

Thanks again for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Melissa Motel

From: Filkosky, Andrew [<mailto:afilkosky@pa.gov>]
Sent: Thursday, August 23, 2012 11:32 AM
To: mmotel@prisonlegalnews.org
Subject: FW: Request for Department of Corrections Telephone Contracts and Related Commission Information/RTKL 1017-12

Dear Ms. Motel,

This email acknowledges receipt by the Department of Corrections of your written request for records under the Pennsylvania Right-to-Know Law (RTKL). Your request was received by this office on July 17, 2012. On July 23, 2012, an interim response was sent to you extending the final response date to August 23, 2012.

Your request for "Contracts between telecommunications companies and Pennsylvania government agencies related to correctional phone services for the years 2009, 2010, 2011, and 2012 (including the current contract)" is granted. Specifically, you are granted access to the contract with Global Tel Link Corporation. This contract is available on the Department of Treasury's website at the following web address: <http://contracts.patreasury.gov/View.aspx?ContractID=125566>. Additional information pertaining to the contract and the letter extending this contract is included in Attachment 1, which is attached to this email at no charge. Please be aware that the information available on the Department of Treasury's website and the attached extension letter cover the timeframe in your request.

Your request for "Commission totals (i.e. revenue paid to the state by the inmate telephone providers) for fiscal years 2009, 2010, 2011, and 2012 – if these totals are *not* included in the contracts" is granted. This information is included in Attachment 2, which is attached to this email at no charge.

Your request for "Calling rates (collect and debit, if applicable) for fiscal years 2009, 2010, 2011, and 2012 – if these rates are *not* included in the contracts" is granted. This information is included in Attachment 1, which is attached to this email at no charge.

To the extent that your request for "If not included in the contracts, the fees charged to set up and pay for phone calls, debit and collect, from prisoners" implicates the contract with Global Tel Link Corporation granted above, your request is granted. As stated above, this contract is available on the Department of Treasury's website at the following web address: <http://contracts.patreasury.gov/View.aspx?ContractID=125566> and additional information pertaining to the contract and the letter extending the contract is included in Attachment 1, which is attached to this email at no charge.

Please note that the contract with Global Tel Link Corporation available on the Department of Treasury's website and Attachment 1 have been redacted to protect nonpublic and sensitive data. Insofar as redaction constitutes a denial to records, the basis for the denial and instructions for filing exceptions are outlined below in accordance with the law.