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Saskatchewan Telecommunications – Custom work service connection charge

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1. The Commission received an application from Saskatchewan Telecommunications (SaskTel), dated 29 August 2012, in which the company proposed a revision to its General Tariff item 110.12 – Network Access Service.
2. SaskTel proposed to increase its custom work service connection charge to \$91.89 per person per hour. It submitted that the proposed increase complies with the price cap constraints established in *Price cap framework for large incumbent local exchange carriers*, Telecom Decision CRTC 2007-27, 30 April 2007 (Telecom Decision 2007-27).
3. The Commission received no comments regarding SaskTel’s application. The public record of this proceeding, which closed on 25 September 2012, is available on the Commission’s website at www.crtc.gc.ca under “Public Proceedings” or by using the file number provided above.
4. The Commission notes that the rate element in question is combined with other rate elements under the Service Connection Charges category of SaskTel’s Price Cap Model. The Commission also notes that revenues derived from these rate elements are included in four different price cap service baskets in Telecom Decision 2007-27, and that the rules regarding rate increases vary among those baskets. The Commission further notes that the price cap constraint for one of the baskets, the Residential Non-HCSA [high-cost serving area] Services basket, is zero percent at the rate element level.
5. The Commission considers that it would not be appropriate to approve SaskTel’s application because the proposed increase would exceed the constraint of zero percent at the rate element level in the Residential Non-HCSA Services basket.
6. In light of the above, the Commission **denies** SaskTel’s application.

Secretary General