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# VIA OVERNIGHT DELIVERY and PSC TRACKING DATABASE

Mr. Walter Thomas, Secretary Alabama Public Service Commission RSA Union Building, Suite 850 100 N. Union Street Montgomery, Alabama 36104

> Re: <u>Securus Technologies, Inc.</u> Proposed Tariff Revisions

Dear Mr. Thomas:

Please find enclosed an original and one copy of proposed tariff revisions to Securus Technologies, Inc.'s ("Securus") Alabama PSC Tariff No. 1. Sheets affected by this filing include the following: First Revised Page No. 2, Original Page No. 28.1, and First Revised Page No. 29.

The purpose of the proposed revisions is to introduce the Inmate Debit product as described in Section 3.4.3. The Company respectfully requests an effective date of March 1, 2012 for this filing.

Securus sincerely appreciates your attention to this matter. Please acknowledge receipt of this filing by date stamping the enclosed additional copy of this cover letter and returning it in the self-addressed stamped envelope provided. Should you have any questions or comments regarding this filing, please contact the undersigned at (972) 277-0395 or <u>ecurry@securustech.net</u>.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Erin L. Curry Senior Regulatory Analyst



## CHECK SHEET

The Title Page and pages listed below are inclusive and effective as of the date shown. Original and revised pages as named below contain all changes from the original Tariff that are in effect on the date shown on each page.

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#### **SECTION 3 - SERVICE DESCRIPTIONS AND RATES (CONTINUED)**

## **3.4 Prepaid Institutional Calling Services, (Continued)**

## 3.4.3 Inmate Debit

Inmate Debit is a prepaid telephone account offering made available to Inmates by the Company when permitted by the Confinement Facility. Inmate Debit provides an alternative method for Inmates to prepay for and make calls. An Inmate Debit account associated with the Inmate's Personal Identification Number (PIN) is automatically established by the Company. Inmates fund and replenish their Inmate Debit account through electing to transfer funds from either their facility's inmate trust fund or commissary account to their Inmate Debit account. Inmate Debit accounts may also be funded by inmate friends and family members via the Company's points-of-sale. Funds placed in this account become the property of the inmate.

Inmate Debit calls are processed by dialing a special access dialing sequence that connects directly to the Company's network at the Confinement Facility. Inmates must enter a valid Authorization Code to access their Inmate Debit account. The Company's system automatically informs the Inmate of the prepaid balance remaining on the Inmate Debit account prior to each call, provides prompts to place the call by entering the destination telephone number, and informs the Inmate of the rates for the call being attempted. Call charges are deducted from the prepaid account balance on a real-time basis as the call progresses. Applicable state taxes and fees are in addition to the rates and charges for calling service. During an Inmate Debit call, when the prepaid account balance is one minute prior to depletion, the Inmate will be interrupted with such an announcement.

Inmate Debit services are available twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days per week to all terminating locations serviced. Access to such telephone services by an Inmate may be subject to time-of-day and usage restrictions imposed by individual Confinement Facilities. No minimum service period applies. For debiting purposes, call timing is rounded up to the nearest one (1) minute increment. Usage charges are computed and rounded up to the nearest one (1) cent on a per call basis. Prepaid balances are not charged for incomplete calls.

Refunds of unused Inmate Debit account balances are issued by the entity controlling the actual cash deposits, which is either the Company, the commissary, the Confinement Facility or its agent, depending on the specific arrangements, unless otherwise directed by state law. Depending on the entity issuing the refund, refund fees and/or minimum refund amounts may apply. The prepaid balance expires ninety (90) days from the date of the last call placed on the Inmate Debit account unless alternative arrangements are expressly requested by the Confinement Facility. No refunds of unused balances will be issued after the expiration date.

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## **SECTION 3 - SERVICE DESCRIPTIONS AND RATES (CONTINUED)**

#### **3.4 Prepaid Institutional Calling Services, (Continued)**

#### 3.4.4 Prepaid Institutional Calling Services - Rates and Charges

Prepaid calls placed by Inmates of Confinement Facilities will be charged within the ranges set forth below depending on the rate plan selected by the Confinement Facility.

#### 1. <u>Prepaid Calling Cards and Debit Accounts</u>

- A. Rates and charges for Prepaid Institutional Calling Services are provided at a ten percent discount off standard automated collect rates and charges.
- B. Rates and charges for prepaid calling services are provided at the standard contracted collect call rates applicable to the facility requesting prepaid services and will not exceed the rates listed in Section 3.3.1.

#### 2. <u>AdvanceConnect Accounts</u>

Rates and charges for AdvanceConnect Accounts are provided at the standard contracted collect call rates applicable to the facility from which the customer is receiving calls and will not exceed the rates listed in Section 3.3.1.

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