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at 80 years young and on a fixed
income I must object to this
Federal mandate to steal the property
of Kentucky citizens.

Those peachy sounding "WORDS & PHRASES"
such as, "continued receipt of federal high
cost support", "economic health of our
community" "we had no choice but to
request the rate increase", are clever.

For freedom's sake we must always
be TAX PROTESTERS.

Jim Taylor THANKS



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April 7, 2017

Dear Customer:

On or around April 28, Ballard Rural Telephone Coop. Corp., Inc. will file with the KY Public Service Commission an increase in basic local service rates charged to residential subscribers due to a Federal Communication Commission mandate. With this change, residential and business rates are proposed to increase from \$18 to \$20. If approved by the PSC, the effective date of this rate change will be May 31, 2017. We anticipate the average increase being 7.52%, inclusive of federal fees.

This increase is mandated by recent changes enacted by the Federal Communications Commission which set minimal local service rate levels as a condition of continued receipt of federal high cost support that allows us to deploy fiber optic facilities and support advanced voice and broadband services. Because this support is vital to the economic health of our community, we had no choice but to request this rate increase.

You may examine this application at the offices of Ballard Rural Telephone Coop. Corp., Inc. located at 159 West Second Street, LaCenter, KY 42056 during regular business hours or at the offices of the Kentucky Public Service Commission located at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., or through the commission's Web site at <http://psc.ky.gov>.

Comments regarding the application may be submitted to the Public Service Commission through its Web site or by mail to Public Service Commission, Post Office Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602. Rates contained in this notice are the rates proposed by the Company but the Public Service Commission may order rates to be charged that differ from the proposed rates contained in this notice.

You may submit a timely written request for intervention to the Public Service Commission, Post Office Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602, establishing the grounds for the request including the status and interest of the party. If the Commission does not receive a written request for intervention within thirty (30) days of initial publication or mailing of this notice, the Commission may take final action on the application.

Sincerely,

BTC Management