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Resolution concurring with the Controller's establishment of the Consumer Price Index

for 2011, and adjusting the Access Line Tax by the same rate.

[Adjusting the Access Line Tax with the Consumer Price Index of 2011]

WHEREAS, The Electorate of the City and County of San Francisco passed
Proposition O in November 2008, establishing an Access Line Tax to be imposed upon every
person who subscribes to telephone communication services within the City and County of
San Francisco (Business and Tax Regulations Code Section 782); and,

WHEREAS, Section 782 (b) states, in part, that the cap established by this subsection shall be adjusted annually in accordance with the increase in the Consumer Price Index; All Urban Consumers for the San Francisco/Oakland/San Jose Area for all items as reported by the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics, or any successor to that index, as of December 31st of each year; and,

WHEREAS, Section 782 also requires that this increase be approved, annually, by the Board of Supervisors and the Mayor; and,

WHEREAS, On December 31, 2010, the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers for the San Francisco/Oakland/San Jose Area for All Items as reported by the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics was stated to be 1.52%; and,

WHEREAS, the monthly rates are currently set at \$2.82 per Access Line, \$21.16 per Trunk Line, and \$380.84 per High Capacity Line; and,

WHEREAS, the new monthly rates will be \$2.86 per Access Line, \$21.48 per Trunk Line, and \$386.63 per High Capacity Line; and,

WHEREAS, The Controller's certification of the Consumer Price Index rate is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 110274, which is hereby declared to be part of this resolution as if set forth fully herein; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby approves the adjustment of the Access Line Tax by the 2011 Consumer Price Index.



## MEMORANDUM

TO:

Members, Board of Supervisors

Clerk of the Board

FROM:

Ben Rosenfield

DATE:

May 17, 2011

SUBJECT:

Notification of Access Line Tax Annual Rate Adjustment

In November 2008, San Francisco voters approved Proposition O to replace the Emergency Response Fee with the Access Line Tax. Prop O allows for annual inflationary adjustments to the per line tax rates, codified in San Francisco Business and Tax Regulations Code Section 784 as follows:

The amount of the tax shall be \$2.75 per month per access line, \$20.62 per month per trunk line and \$371.15 per month per high capacity line. These amounts shall be adjusted annually in accordance with the increase in the Consumer Price Index: All Urban Consumers for the San Francisco/Oakland/San Jose Area for All Items as reported by the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics, or any successor to that index, as of December 31st of each year, beginning with December 31, 2009.

In May 2011, the Controller's Office calculated the inflationary increase on fees effective July 1, 2011 to be 1.52%. Source data are from the US Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics website using the "Consumer Price Index (CPI) – All Urban Consumers for the San Francisco – Oakland-San Jose CA Area," using December factors from the end of the prior year. The website is:

http://data.bls.gov/PDO/servlet/SurveyOutputServlet?data\_tool=dropmap&series\_id=CUURA422 SA0,CUUSA422SA0. The difference between the inflation index for December 2009 (224.239) and December 2010 (227.658) is 3.419, or 1.52%.

When applied to current rates per line, the new rates are as follows:

| Rate Adjustment for July 1, 2011 |          |            |                      |        |                    |  |  |
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| Line Type                        | Cu       | rrent Rate | Adjustmeni<br>Factor | N<br>F | ew Rate<br>er Line |  |  |
| Access line                      | \$       | 2.82       | 1.52%                | \$     | 2.86               |  |  |
| Trunk line                       | <b>5</b> | 21.16      | 1.52%                | \$     | 21.48              |  |  |
| High capacity line               | \$       | 380.84     | 1.52%                | \$     | 386.63             |  |  |

Please contact me or Michelle Allersma, Citywide Revenue Manager, Controller's Office Budget and Analysis Division, at 554-4792 if you have any questions regarding this information.