4901:1-6-17 **Truth in billing requirements.**

- (A) Every telephone company shall comply with the federal communications commission's truth in billing requirements in 47 C.F.R. 64.201 and shall, in conformance with those requirements, accurately identify on every bill all services rendered, the providers of those services, and all billed charges, fees, and taxes so that they are clear and not misleading.
- (B) Every customer's bill shall include a statement that customers with bill questions or complaints should contact the telephone company first, as well as the following text:

"If your complaint is not resolved after you have called (name of the utility), or for general utility information, residential and business customers may contact the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) for assistance at 1-800-686-7826 (toll free) or for TTY at 1-800-686-1570 (toll free) from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. weekdays, or at www.puco.ohio.gov. Hearing or speech imparied customers may contact the PUCO via 7-1-1 (Ohio Relay Service)."

For residential bills the text shall also include:

"Residential customers may also contact the <u>The</u> Ohio Consumers' Counsel (OCC) represents residential utility customers in matters before the PUCO. The OCC can <u>be contacted</u> for assistance with complaints and utility issues at 1-877-742-5622 (toll free) from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. weekdays, or at www.pickocc.org."

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