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June 30, 2015

Steven V. King, Executive Director and Secretary  
Utilities and Transportation Commission  
1300 S. Evergreen Park Dr. SW  
P.O. Box 47250  
Olympia, WA 98504-7250

RE: *Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission v. Clear World Communications Corporation*

Commission Staff's Response to Application for Mitigation of Penalties UT-150804

Dear Mr. King:

On June 2, 2015, the Utilities and Transportation Commission issued a \$1,000 Penalty Assessment in Docket UT-150804 against Clear World Communications Corporation for 10 violations of Washington Administrative Code (WAC 480-120-382), which requires telecommunications companies to furnish annual reports to the commission no later than May 1 each year.

On June 22, 2015, Clear World Communications Corporation wrote the commission requesting mitigation of penalties. In its mitigation request, Clear World Communications Corporation does not dispute the violation occurred. The company states, "...Clearworld Communications Corporation's failure to file the annual report by 05/01/2015 was due to the fact that the correspondence was mailed to the incorrect address". The company response also indicates health issues for its legal counsel and the company's intent to be in compliance.

It is the company's responsibility to ensure that the regulatory fee is paid and the annual report is filed by the May 1 deadline. On February 27, 2015, Annual Report packets were mailed to all regulated telecommunications companies. The instructions for annual report completion page of the annual report informed the regulated company that it must complete the annual report form, pay the regulatory fees, and return the materials by May 1, 2015, to avoid enforcement action.

On April 30, 2015, Clear World Communications Corporation filed an incomplete 2014 annual report with no regulatory fees owed. Commission staff contacted the company via email on May 1, 2015 to notify the company of the discrepancy. As of June 26, 2015, the company has not responded. However, the only contact information available to the commission is that of

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legal counsel for which the company has advised of a serious health issue. Clear World Communications Corporation has been active since 1998. No prior violations of WAC 480-120-382 are on commission record. Staff supports the company's request for mitigation. Due to the extenuating circumstances and past filing compliance, staff recommends the penalty be waived subject to the requested information being filed with the commission.

If you have any questions regarding this recommendation, please contact Amy Andrews, Regulatory Analyst, at (360) 664-1157, or [aandrews@utc.wa.gov](mailto:aandrews@utc.wa.gov).

Sincerely,



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