

**STATE OF WASHINGTON**

UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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June 18, 2015

**NOTICE WITHDRAWING PENALTY**

RE: Rural Network Services, Inc., Commission Staff’s Request to Withdraw Penalty Assessment Docket UT-150842

TO ALL PARTIES:

On June 4, 2015, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) issued and served a Penalty Assessment against Rural Network Services, Inc. (Rural Network Services or Company) in the amount of $1,000, alleging violations of WAC 480-120-382, which requires telecommunications companies to file annual reports and pay regulatory fees by May 1 each year.

On June 12, 2015, Commission staff (Staff) filed with the Commission a Request to Withdraw the Penalty Assessment. In its Request, Staff notes that the Company’s annual report was timely filed and received by the Commission on April 23, 2015. Because Staff failed to process the report as complete in the appropriate database, the Company was erroneously included on the list of companies that failed to file their annual reports by the May 1 deadline.

Because the Company timely filed its report and the penalty assessment was issued in error, the Commission withdraws the penalty assessed against Rural Network Services.

**THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE that the penalty of $1,000 assessed against Rural Network Services, Inc.** **is withdrawn and Docket UT-150842 is closed.**

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