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July 27, 2015

Steven V. King, Executive Director and Secretary
Utilities and Transportation Commission
1300 S. Evergreen Park Dr. SW
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RE: *Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission v. Washington Telco, LLC*

Commission Staff's Response to Application for Mitigation of Penalties UT-150863

Dear Mr. King:

On June 5, 2015, the Utilities and Transportation Commission issued a \$1,000 Penalty Assessment in Docket UT-150863 against Washington Telco, LLC 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 July 21, 2015, Washington Telco, LLC wrote the commission requesting mitigation of penalties. In its mitigation request, Washington Telco, LLC does not dispute the violation occurred. The company states, "We have done no business as of yet".

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.

As of July 24, 2015, Washington Telco, LLC has not filed a complete 2014 annual report. As the company is registered with the commission as a competitively classified telecommunications company, the annual report is still required to be filed. Washington Telco, LLC has been active since May 7, 2014 per Docket UT-140579. However, as this is the company's first delinquent filing, staff supports the request for mitigation. Staff recommends a reduced penalty of \$25 per day for a total penalty assessment of \$250 subject to the filing of a complete annual report.

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

Sincerely,



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