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Washington Utilities and
Transportation Commission
Attention: Paul Curl, Secretary
1300 South Evergreen Park Dr. S.W.
Olympia, Washington 98504

Dear Mr. Curl:

This letter is in response to the proposed WAC 480-120-141 (9) (c), regulating the charges a hotel may impose on guest-originated telephone calls from that hotel.


It is the position of our hotel that the "rental" of telephone service to guests should not be subject to WUTC rate regulation. The capital investment required to make such service available to the guests can most equitably be recovered in small increments by those guests using the service, rather than significant increases in rates to be borne by all guests.

We are in agreement that charges made by alternate operator service companies must be monitored to ensure fair pricing to the guests, but remedies for any "price gouging" by an AOS are already in place.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Very truly yours,

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