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June 21, 2016

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. Mashell Telecom, Inc.*

Staff's Request to Rescind Penalty Assessment UT-160568

Dear Mr. King:

On June 15, 2016, the Utilities and Transportation Commission issued a \$400 Penalty Assessment in Docket UT-160568 against Mashell Telecom, Inc. for four violations of Washington Administrative Code (WAC 480-120-382), which requires telecommunication companies to furnish annual reports to the commission no later than May 1 each year, except when May 1 is a weekend, in which case the annual report is due by the next business day. May 2 was the next business day.

The company submitted an annual report on April 29, 2016. The wording for the regulated WA Intrastate Revenue data is slightly different when comparing schedule one to the regulatory fee calculation sheet. The company quickly responded upon learning of the discrepancy between the regulatory fee calculation sheet and WA Intrastate revenue listed on page four. Both the commission and the company would have been better served by a technical assistance letter in this instance. Therefore, staff recommends that the assessed penalty be withdrawn and the docket closed. However, it is noted that it is the companies responsibility to provide a correct and complete annual report by the deadline.

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

Sincerely,

Sondra Walsh, Director  
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