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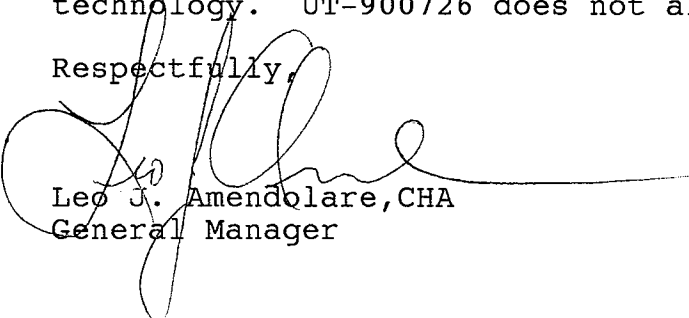
As a Hotel Manager in Olympia Washington I am paying for telephone equipment that was purchased several years ago. The cost of the equipment was over \$70,000 and is already obsolete by todays standards. It will not provide all the services that todays Government and Commercial traveler expect. It would cost about the same amount to upgrade.

With restrictions on what we may charge as in UT-900726, hotels' communications equipment will quickly become obsolete throughout the State.

Hotels do not consider telephones to be a major profit center. In many establishments they are a loss.

Reasonable markups are needed to keep up with todays technology. UT-900726 does not allow adequate markup.

Respectfully,


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