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NOTICE WITHDRAWING PENALTY

RE: Umpqua Indian Development Corp., Application for Mitigation of Penalty Assessment Docket UT-140926

TO ALL PARTIES:

On June 3, 2014, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) issued and served a Penalty Assessment against Umpqua Indian Development Corp. (Umpqua 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 10, 2014, Telecom Professionals, Inc. responded to the Commission's penalty assessment on Umpqua's behalf and requested a hearing to contest the penalty. Telecom Professionals also submitted a letter explaining that it mailed a request for extension to the Commission on April 24, and provided a UPS Internet shipping receipt bearing that date.

On June 12, 2014, Commission Staff (Staff) filed a response recommending the Commission consider the Company's request for extension and waive the penalty. Staff noted that while the Company received penalties for late filed reports in 2008 and 2009, it was granted extensions in 2010 and 2013.

On June 26, 2014, the Commission issued Order 01 in Docket UT-141271 granting Umpqua's request for extension to file its annual report until July 1.

The Commission withdraws the penalty assessed against Umpqua. The Company's agent made a good faith effort to request an extension for filing its annual report before it was due, and provided proof that the request was timely mailed. The Company's request was

subsequently granted by the Commission, and the Company was given until July 1, 2014, to make its filing. Once the extension was granted, the violations cited in the Penalty Assessment became moot.

THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE that the penalty of \$1,000 assessed against Umpqua Indian Development Corp., is withdrawn and Docket UT-140926 is closed.

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