

December 6, 1990

Sharon L. Nelson, Chairman Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission 1300 South Evergreen Park Drive S. W. Olympia, Washington 98504

Dear Commissioner Nelson:

I am writing to express my concern that the W. U. T. C. is considering adopting rules which will affect local and long distance phone call charges from hotels. Our internal costs for providing telephones to our guests as we rent hotel rooms should not be subject to W. U. T. C. rate regulations.

The general public will control the rates which we can charge, as they always do, and can decide for themselves in which hotel they wish to stay if they consider our telephone charges to be excessive. They already do this if they disagree with our guest room rates and /or restaurant prices.

Therefore, I strongly urge you not to adopt rules regulating hotel local and long distance telephone charges.

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