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Price lists no longer required for telecommunications companies

The commission has [opened a rulemaking](#) to implement a new law ([chapter 347, Laws of 2006 \(SSB 6473\)](#)) eliminating the use of price lists for competitive telecommunications services. The commission [provided information](#) to regulated companies on May 2, 2006, about changes in the law, and has invited comments by **Fri. June 30, 2006** on rules to implement the new law. (Docket No. 060676, see "Documents" link at the bottom of this page for more information).

Some changes made by the new law include:

- Instead of using price lists, companies will communicate with customers directly using a written contract or customer service agreement.

- Companies will be required to withdraw existing price lists, and give customers information about ongoing rates, terms, and conditions.

- The new law will not affect tariffs or regulatory fees.

- Companies will still be required to continue working with commission staff on consumer complaints.

The law will take effect on June 8, 2006. The commission will accept new price list filings until June 7. After that, new price list filings will not be accepted and the commission will begin receiving notices of withdrawal. By June 30, 2007 companies must withdraw existing price lists or petition for a one-year extension.

Please watch for additional upcoming notices. As with all rulemaking at the commission, you will have opportunity to comment on proposed changes to the rules. If you have any questions, please see our "[Price list FAQ](#)" page, e-mail [lead staff Tom Wilson](#), or call him at (360) 664-1282. (The shortcut address to this page is www.wutc.wa.gov/060676.)