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WUTC Chandler Plaza
 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive SW
 Olympia, WA 98504
 ATTN: Mr. Bob Wallis

RE: UT-900726

Dear Mr. Wallis,

My name is Richard Stevens, and I am the owner/operator of Central Telephone, which is a Washington private pay phone company. I am writing to you in regards to the proposed rule changes on docket number UT-900726.

1. Commenting on page 8 #6: The Commission needs to understand that our reduced revenue would be much higher than its projected 20% for the following reasons: a) the lower producing payphones could no longer financial support service employees with a .25 cap; therefore we would be left no alternative, but to disconnect said phones, b) payphones in remote areas, other than the highest revenue producers could no longer financial support service employees with a .25 cap; therefore we would be left no alternative, but to disconnect those phones. For Central Telephone approximately 50% of our Eastern Washington payphones would be impacted far above the WUTC projected percentages.
2. Commenting on page 9: Revenue loss from the .25 cap would not be offset by the 1-800 allowance. In fact, if acted upon, the portrayed allowance would actually compound the revenue loss. 1-800 calls are synonymous with free of charge. It would be sabotage for any COPT to entertain the thought of charging even the smallest fee for an established FREE call. Our return customer base would diminish and our operating expenses increase due to irate customer vandalism.
3. It is stated that this rule will have no direct effect on existing tariffs. If that is true, please verify this in the rule.

I would like to adamantly state that the end users rights are presently being well protected through: a) posted access to rates, b) access to their chosen inter-exchange carrier, c) posted information on how to access chosen interexchange carriers, and d) branding.

Respectfully, 
 Richard Stevens/Central Telephone

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