IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF INTELLIGENT COMMUNITY SERVICES, INC.

FOR DESIGNATION AS ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER UNDER 47 U.S.C. §214(e)(2)

DOCKET NO. UT-053041

DIRECT TESTIMONY OF JAMES K. BROOKS ON BEHALF OF INLAND TELEPHONE COMPANY

July 18, 2008

1 Q: PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND GIVE YOUR BUSINESS

- 2 ADDRESS FOR THE RECORD.
- 3 A. James K. Brooks. My business address is 103 South Second Street, Roslyn,
- 4 WA 98941.
- 5 Q. BY WHOM ARE YOU EMPLOYED AND IN WHAT CAPACITY?
- 6 A. I am employed by Inland Telephone Company ("Inland"). I am the Controller
- 7 and Treasurer for Inland.
- 8 Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE THE ROSLYN EXCHANGE SERVED BY
- 9 INLAND.
- 10 A. Roslyn is located in the eastern foothills of the Cascade Mountains. The area
- was once a coal-mining center, which means the geography of the area is quite hilly.
- 12 The Roslyn exchange consists of approximately 35 square miles. Inland serves
- 13 approximately 1,300 access lines in the exchange. The Roslyn exchange consists of the
- 14 town of Roslyn, which has about 700 access lines. The rest of the customers are widely
- scattered over the remainder of the exchange. The Roslyn exchange outside the
- 16 Suncadia resort is a sparsely populated area compared to the higher density of the
- 17 Suncadia resort when it is built out, with 4,000 access lines; the majority being on
- approximately 9 square miles within the Roslyn exchange.
- 19 Q. DOES INLAND DESIRE TO PROVIDE SERVICE WITHIN THE
- 20 SUNCADIA RESORT AREA?
- 21 A. Yes. The Suncadia resort area is an area that presents an exciting opportunity
- 22 for Inland if we can get access to the area in order to provide service on reasonable
- 23 terms and conditions.

- 1 Q. DID YOU HAVE AN INDICATION THAT THE OWNERS OF THE
- 2 SUNCADIA RESORT WOULD BE RECEPTIVE TO INLAND PROVIDING
- 3 SERVICE WITHIN THE RESORT AREA?
- 4 A. No. As Mr. Coonan has pointed out, Inland made an offer to discuss ways to
- 5 provide service and received no response from the Suncadia resort owners. We had not
- 6 received any response at all until Mr. Eisenberg's Testimony was filed on May 23,
- 7 2008. There, Mr. Eisenberg professes a desire to perhaps negotiate with Inland to
- 8 provide service in the Suncadia resort. It remains to be seen whether there is something
- 9 that can or will actually occur. It should be noted that Inland's officers and Board of
- 10 Directors has not seen the terms and conditions of the agreement between ICS and
- 11 Suncadia since the ICS contract is a confidential document.
- 12 Q. HAVE YOU HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW THE CONTRACT
- 13 BETWEEN SUNCADIA AND ICS?
- 14 A. Yes, in part. However, I am not able to review the pricing because that is
- 15 classified as highly confidential. Nor can I discuss the contract with other Board
- members or officers of Inland since I am the only officer at Inland allowed to see the
- 17 contract. It may also be helpful if the technical portions of the contract could be
- discussed with technical staff. I do note that Inland can provide all of the
- 19 telecommunications, cable TV and Internet services called for under the contract.
- 20 However, without knowledge of pricing, I cannot reach a conclusion as to whether the
- 21 agreement is reasonable.
- 22 O. ISSUE 4.8 ASKS "IS ICS VIOLATING NUMBER ASSIGNMENT
- 23 RULES?" DO YOU HAVE ANY INFORMATION RELATED TO THIS ISSUE?

- 1 A. Yes. It appears that ICS is assigning Cle Elum numbers in the Suncadia resort
- 2 area, which of course is within the Roslyn exchange, not the Cle Elum exchange.
- 3 Q. HOW DO YOU KNOW THAT THEY ARE ASSIGNING CLE ELUM
- 4 NUMBERS?
- 5 A. One of the customers within the Suncadia resort shared their bill from ICS with
- 6 us. The number showed that the customer has a 674 prefix. The LERG or Local
- 7 Exchange Routing Guide shows that 674 is associated with the Cle Elum rate center,
- 8 not the Roslyn rate center. I recognize that the terms "rate center" and "exchange" can
- 9 be confusing. In this case, there is no practical difference. The Cle Elum exchange and
- 10 Cle Elum rate center are one and the same. The Roslyn exchange and Roslyn rate
- center are one and the same. It just so happens that numbers are assigned on a rate
- 12 center basis. What this means is that rather than delivering traffic directly to us, ICS
- disguises the traffic as Cle Elum traffic and sends it to us on the EAS trunks we have
- 14 for Qwest. At the very least we should be asked if the arrangement is acceptable.
- 15 Q. DOES THAT CONCLUDE YOUR DIRECT TESTIMONY?
- 16 A. For the present, it does.