

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE  
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

In the Matter of Penalty Assessment	)	DOCKET UT-051509
Against	)	
	)	ORDER 01
MARATHON COMMUNICATIONS, INC.	)	
	)	COMMISSION DECISION
In the Amount of \$16,300.	)	GRANTING REQUEST FOR
	)	INSTALLMENT PAYMENTS
.....	)	

- 1 On April 18, 2006, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) assessed a penalty in the amount of \$16,300 against Marathon Communications, Inc. (Marathon) for violations of WAC 480-120-166, which requires telecommunications companies to report the results of its investigation of service-affecting informal complaints to Commission Staff within two business days from the date Commission Staff passes the complaint to the company; of nonservice-affecting informal complaints to Commission Staff within five business days from the date the Commission Staff passes the complaint to the company; and for requests from Commission Staff for additional information on pending complaints within three business days.
- 2 On May 12, 2006, Marathon filed a letter with the Commission requesting approval to pay the penalty in twelve equal payments.
- 3 On May 31, 2006, Commission Staff responded to the request by supporting a payment plan to Marathon that would allow it to make regularly scheduled payments over a period of time not to exceed one year.

**ORDER**

- 4 The Commission grants the request of Marathon Communications, Inc. to pay penalties over the course of a year, allowing monthly payments of at least \$1,358.33 beginning July 31, 2006, with the last payment of \$1,358.37, and continuing thereafter not to exceed one year.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective June 26, 2006.

WASHINGTON STATE UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

MARK H. SIDRAN, Chairman

PATRICK J. OSHIE, Commissioner

**NOTICE TO PARTIES: This is a final order of the Commission. In addition to judicial review, administrative relief may be available through a petition for reconsideration, filed within 10 days of the service of this order pursuant to RCW 34.05.470 and WAC 480-07-850, or a petition for rehearing pursuant to RCW 80.04.200 or RCW 81.04.200 and WAC 480-07-870.**