

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of Penalty Assessment
Against CORDIA
COMMUNICATIONS CORP. in the
Amount of \$2,700

DOCKET UT-090440
(*consolidated*)

In the Matter of Penalty Assessment
Against Penalty Assessment Against
NORTHSTAR TELECOM, INC. in the
Amount of \$18,000

DOCKET UT-090441
(*consolidated*)

COMMISSION STAFF'S RESPONSE
TO CORDIA'S AND NORTHSTAR'S
APPLICATIONS FOR MITIGATION

1 Pursuant to WAC 480-07-370(1)(c), Staff of the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission Staff) submits this response¹ to the Applications for Mitigation filed by Cordia Communications Corp. and Northstar Telecom, Inc.

2 On April 27, 2009, the Commission assessed a penalty of \$2,700 against Cordia Communications Corp. (Cordia) and \$18,000 against Northstar Telecom, Inc. (Northstar) for multiple violations of WAC 480-120-166. The Commission received from Cordia and Northstar Applications for Mitigation on May 12, 2009 (electronically) and 18, 2009 (hard copy). Commission Staff supports partial mitigation of the penalties for the reasons set forth in the attached declaration of Sheri Hoyt.

¹ Please note that this response does not come from the Commission but from Commission Staff. Commission Staff is a party in this case and is separate from the Commission. The Commission will be the ultimate decision maker in this matter. An Administrative Law Judge will consider Cordia's and Northstar's statements and Commission Staff's statements and will issue a decision. The Commission may accept, modify, or reject that decision.

DATED this 29th day of May, 2009.

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