

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

In the Matter of the Investigation of

SEFNCO COMMUNICATIONS, INC.,

For Compliance with RCW
19.122.030(2)

DOCKET PL-171148

NOTICE OF BRIEF ADJUDICATIVE
PROCEEDING

SETTING TIME FOR ORAL
STATEMENTS
**(Set for March 21, 2018,
9:30 a.m.)**

- 1 On December 8, 2017, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) assessed a \$10,000 penalty (Penalty Assessment) against SEFNCO Communications, Inc. (SEFNCO or Company) for one violation of Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 19.122.030(2) for failing to provide the required notice to a one-number locator service not less than two business days before excavating at 9911 Pacific Avenue, Tacoma on August 2, 2017. RCW 19.122.055(1)(a) states, in part, that any excavator that fails to notify a one-number locator service and causes damage to a hazardous liquid underground facility is subject to a civil penalty of not more than ten thousand dollars for each violation.
- 2 On January 5, 2018, SEFNCO filed a response to the Penalty Assessment, contesting the violation and requesting a hearing to present evidence. In its response, the Company states that it complied with RCW 19.122.030(2) by providing the required notice to the one-number locator service before excavating.
- 3 Pursuant to RCW 34.05.482 and WAC 480-07-610, the Commission determines that a brief adjudicative proceeding is appropriate for resolving the issues in this matter.
- 4 **THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE That it will hold a brief adjudicative proceeding in this matter at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, March 21, 2018, in Room 206, Richard Hemstad Building, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W., Olympia, Washington.**
- 5 The record in this case will consist of any documents regarding the matter that are considered by or prepared for the presiding officer for the brief adjudicative proceeding

and a transcript of any oral statements given at the hearing, which statements will be given under oath.

6 Written notice of any other stage in the proceeding or other formal proceedings that the Commission may deem appropriate will be given during the course of this case. The Commission will provide at its offices in Olympia, Washington, copies of documents in the current record for use by the parties or others who may want to review them.

7 Parties wishing to submit any documents for consideration at the brief adjudicative proceeding must file such documents **no later than 5 p.m. on Friday, March 16, 2018**. Parties are encouraged, after filing these documents with the Commission by the above date, to bring at least two (2) copies of such documents to the hearing, if attending in person. Filing shall be in accordance with WAC 480-07-140(5).

8 **THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE that any party who fails to attend or participate in the brief adjudicative proceeding set by this Notice, or any other stage of this proceeding, may be held in default under RCW 34.05.440 and WAC 480-07-450.**

9 The names and mailing addresses of all known parties and their known representatives are as follows:

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Respondent: SEFNCO Communications, Inc.
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10 Administrative Law Judge Laura Chartoff, from the Commission's Administrative Law Division, will preside during this proceeding.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective January 29, 2018.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

STEVEN V. KING
Executive Director and Secretary

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Hearing facilities are accessible to persons with disabilities. Smoking is prohibited. If limited English-speaking or hearing-impaired parties or witnesses are involved in a hearing and need an interpreter, a qualified interpreter will be appointed at no cost to the party or witness.

If you need an interpreter, or have other special needs, please fill out this form and return it to Washington State Utilities and Transportation Commission, Attention: Steven V. King, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive SW, P. O. Box 47250, Olympia, WA 98504-7250. (PLEASE SUPPLY ALL REQUESTED INFORMATION)

Docket: _____

Case Name: _____

Hearing Date: _____ Hearing Location: _____

Primary Language: _____

Hearing Impaired (Yes) _____ (No) _____

Do you need a certified sign language interpreter:

Visual _____ Tactile _____

Other type of assistance needed: _____

English-speaking person who can be contacted if there are questions:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone No.: (____) _____