OF WASHINGTON COMPANY, LLC. TO RECEIVE SUPPORT FROM THE UNIVERSAL SERVICE

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- 2. WAC 480-123-100(1)(b): The Company is an incumbent local exchange carrier as defined in 47 U.S.C. Sec. 251(h).
- 3. WAC 480-123-100(1)(c): The Company offers basic residential and business exchange telecommunications services as set forth in WAC 480-120-021 and RCW 80.36.630.
- 4. WAC 480-123-100(1)(d): The Company has established a plan, as described in WAC 480-123-110, to provide, maintain or enhance broadband service (See II.4, below).
- 5. WAC 480-123-100(1)(e): The Company has been designated by the Commission as an eligible telecommunications carrier ("ETC") for purposes of receiving federal universal services support pursuant to 47 C.F.R. Part 54 Subpart D Universal Service Support for High Cost Areas with respect to the service areas for which the Company is seeking Program support.

## II. Demonstration of Eligibility under WAC 480-123-110

- WAC 480-123-110(1)(a): The name of the legal entity that provides communications services and is seeking Program support is as follows: Consolidated Communications of Washington Company, LLC.
- 2. WAC 480-123-110(1)(b): A corporate organization chart showing the relationship between the Company and affiliates as defined in RCW 80.16.010 is attached hereto as Exhibit 1. 

  A detailed description of any transactions between the Company and the affiliates named in Exhibit 1 recorded in the Company's operating accounts is attached hereto as Exhibit 2.
- 3. WAC 480-123-110(1)(c): The service area maps for the Company can be found at Sheet Nos. 55, 56 and 57 in Section 5 of the Company's Tariff WN U-1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Exhibit 1 includes all affiliates of the Company and the affiliates having transactions with the Company that are identified in Exhibit 2 are highlighted.

- 4. WAC 480-123-110(1)(d): The Company's broadband plan to provide, maintain, or enhance broadband services in its service area is attached hereto as Exhibit 3.
- 5. WAC 480-123-110(1)(f): A sworn statement by a Company officer certifying that the Company complies with state and federal accounting, cost allocation, and cost adjustment rules pertaining to incumbent local exchange carriers is attached as Exhibit 4.
- 6. WAC 480-123-110(1)(g): The number of residential local exchange access lines served by the Company as of December 31, 2020, was 6,776. The number of residential local exchange access lines served by the Company as of December 31, 2019, was 7,292. The number of business local exchange access lines served by the Company as of December 31, 2020, was 3,434. The number of business local exchange access lines served by the Company as of December 31, 2019, was 3,840. The number of broadband connections served by the Company as of December 31, 2020, was 12,164. The number of broadband connections served by the Company as of December 31, 2019, was 12,071. Of the approximately 41,000 serviceable locations Consolidated has in Washington, roughly 33% are capable of broadband speeds of 25 Mbps downstream / 3 Mbps upstream, or better. The unbundled monthly recurring rate charged by the Company for residential local exchange access service on December 31, 2020, was \$16.00 for the Ellensburg and Selah exchanges and \$18.00 for the Yelm exchange. The unbundled monthly recurring rate charged by the Company for residential local exchange access service on December 31, 2019, was the same. The unbundled monthly rate charged by the Company for single line business local exchange access service on December 31, 2020, was \$18.52 for the Ellensburg and Selah exchanges and \$24.00 for the Yelm exchange. The unbundled monthly rate charged by the Company for single line business local exchange access service on December 31, 2019, was the same. The Company has other business local exchange service rates, but the Company

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understands that WAC 480-123-110(1)(g) is requesting the single line business local exchange access service rate. The unbundled monthly rate charged for broadband service as of December 31, 2020, and as of December 31, 2019, is set out in the attached Exhibit 5.

- 7. WAC 480-123-110(1)(h): The requested statements are attached as Exhibit 6.
- 8. WAC 480-123-110(1)(h)(i): A sworn statement by a Company officer certifying that the Company is in compliance with the Federal Communications Commission's obligation for deployment of broadband at speeds specified by the Federal Communications Commission applicable to the Company and that the Company meets one of the eligibility criteria set out in WAC 480-123-110(1)(j)(ii), (iii) or (iv) is attached at Exhibit 7.
- All exhibits attached hereto are incorporated into this Petition as though fully set forth.
   Respectfully submitted this 30<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2021.

Consolidated Communications of Washington Company, LLC.

By:

Michael I Shultz

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Sr. Vice President – Regulatory & Public Policy

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CERTIFICATION

I, Michael J. Shultz, an officer of the Company that is responsible for the Company's business and financial operations, hereby certify under penalty of perjury that the information and representations set forth in the Petition, above, are accurate and the Company has not knowingly withheld any information required to be provided to the Commission pursuant to the rules governing the Program.

By:

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