

REPORT OF ST JOHN TELEPHONE, INC. UNDER THE
WASHINGTON UNIVERSAL COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES PROGRAM
IN COMPLIANCE WITH WAC 480-123-130

July 1, 2022

Docket No. UT-210591

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- 1) WAC 480-123-130(1)(a)
Access Lines Served [NECA 1.3 working loops]

	January 1, 2021	December 31, 2021
Residential	308	294
Business	123	118

Broadband Connections Served

	January 1, 2021	December 31, 2021
Residential	405	418
Business	52	49

- 2) WAC 480-123-130(1)(b) - Use of Support

The funds received by the Company from the universal communications services program for fiscal year ending June 30, 2022 represent monies that the Company formerly received through the Washington Exchange Carrier Association (WECA) pooling process and the reduction of support under the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC's) Connect America Fund InterCarrier Compensation Fund (CAF ICC) program. As such, the funds from the universal communications services program contributed to defrayal of the ongoing operation and maintenance expenses of the Company. The funds from the universal communication services program are contributing to the Company's ongoing provision of high-quality basic telecommunications service to customers residing in the area the Company serves.

In January 2022, the Company received \$84,541 from the universal communications services program for the fiscal period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

During the program year 2021-2022, the Company acquired a locator and a fusion fiber splicer tool for approximately \$9,400, purchased central office equipment for

approximately \$8,100, replaced obsolete optical network terminal equipment for approximately \$88,600, install fiber drops for approximately \$20,300 and purchase twenty-eight miles of fiber that was previously being leased from the Port of Whitman for \$500,000 which is part of their main interexchange transport route. Also, the Company had plant under construction for approximately \$5,900 that remained open at fiscal yearend. The funds received from the universal communications services program can be viewed as contributing to the Company's ability to perform these projects.

3) WAC 480-123-130(1)(c) – Broadband Buildout Deployment

The Company falls into criterion four of WAC 480-123-110 and as a result has constructed broadband infrastructure throughout all its service territory. This means that the Company is using program support to allow it to continue to provide a high level of telecommunications services and broadband services, with enhancements becoming available where appropriate.

4) WAC 480-123-130(1)(d) - Unfilled Consumer Requests for New Basic Telecommunications Service*

None

* Service requests that are ongoing but still within normal processing times are not counted as unfulfilled.

5) WAC 480-123-130(1)(h) - Report on Operational Efficiencies/Business Plan Modifications

The Company continually reviews its operations to determine if efficiencies can be achieved. The Company already has a plan in place to concentrate on improving broadband service while continuing to provide high-quality basic telecommunications service to the customers that are located within the area that the Company serves. The funds received from the universal communications services program can be viewed as assisting in the Company's efforts to obtain operational efficiencies.

6) WAC 480-123-130(1)(i) - FCC Form 477

This form was previously filed on or about March 1, 2022, under Docket UT-220004.

7) WAC 480-123-130(1)(j) - Other efforts

Throughout its serving area, the company has constructed fiber-to-the-home. This allows the Company to offer broadband speeds substantially in excess of 25/3, the current FCC broadband speed standard.

8) WAC 480-123-130(1)(k) – Other information

Not applicable.

Certified Statement as required by WAC 480-123-130(1)(e)(f)(g):

I, Joseph Dennis, am an officer of St John Telephone, Inc. and upon personal knowledge and with responsibility therefor, hereby certify under penalty of perjury, that St. John Telephone, Inc. materially complied with Commission rules under Chapter 480-120 WAC that are applicable to the Company and its provision of service within the area for which the Company received universal communications services program support. The Company has met the requirements of WAC 480-123-120 (5) for broadband availability data as required by the commission.

Signed at St. John, Washington this 28th day of June, 2022.

Vice President of Operations