

EXHIBIT 3

Revised October 16, 2023, from Originally Filed August 3, 2023
BROADBAND DEPLOYMENT PLAN

Consolidated Communications of Washington Company, LLC. d/b/a Consolidated Communications (“Consolidated, or “Consolidated’s”) original obligation, as granted on November 24, 2020, under Docket UT-200696, was to deploy broadband service capable of 25 Mbps downstream / 3 Mbps upstream or better speeds to no fewer than 398 new locations that were not supported by any other state or federal program. Consolidated must meet this obligation by the end of the program’s build-out period in 2024.

In Consolidated’s most recent Washington State Universal Communications Service Program Annual Report, Pursuant to WAC 480-123-130(1), dated June 30, 2023, Consolidated reported it had completed 378 total buildout locations, 20 buildout locations short of Consolidated’s 398 buildout obligation.

By this 2024 Program Year Petition for Support, Consolidated commits to meet its buildout obligation of 398 locations well before the end of the program’s build-out period in 2024. The following represents two projects that achieves Consolidated’s full buildout obligation to meet 398 locations. These two project areas total 24 upgraded passings, which exceed the needed 20 buildout passings by four (4) locations, bringing Consolidated’s total buildout locations to a count of 402.

Schnebly Road – This ten (10) location project, located in the Ellensburg area, was not previously listed in Consolidated’s broadband development plan. However, Consolidated recognized and completed in September 2023 this rural area ten home passing project that was previously fed by copper and beyond the footage distance necessary to receive 25 Mbps downstream / 3 Mbps upstream or better speeds. These ten passings were adjacent to a new construction build off Rader Road where Consolidated placed fiber to feed nine lots. These ten upgraded passings, from copper to a GPON fiber network, are now capable of receiving symmetrical speeds of at least 250Mbps.

Fletcher Lane Project (2023) – This 14-location project, located in the Selah area, represents approximately 5,700 feet of buried conduit and distribution fiber to an existing remote that will be upgraded with VDSL2 capability. As of this petition, construction is 100% complete, while electronics are scheduled to be fully in place and operational mid Q4 2023.

Beyond Consolidated’s buildout obligations to receive support from the Washington Universal Service Communications Program, Consolidated is currently placing fiber along its existing copper routes in two rural areas near the community of Ellensburg (Brick Mill Rd and North Thorp Highway), representing approximately 20 passing. Those upgraded passings will be capable of receiving symmetrical speeds of at least 250Mbps.

Consolidated also offers the UTC with high-level information that supports Consolidated’s commitment to improve, and to provide high-speed broadband to its serving areas in Washington. Consolidated self-funded a copper to fiber upgrade to approximately 3,000 passings within the city of Ellensburg, completed Q4, 2022, where those fiber passings to residence and business now have the availability of 1-Gig symmetrical fiber broadband service.

Further, Consolidated’s efforts to improve broadband in Washington state can be tied to Consolidated’s activity this past year by collaborating with Kittitas County in their Thorp and Edgemont Broadband Network Project (“Project”). In June of 2023, Consolidated submitted to

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Kittitas County our statement of qualifications and proposal to build and operate a full fiber to the premises GPON network to approximately 459 locations in the Thorp and Edgemont areas. Kittitas County received \$3.8 million in a grant from the Public Works Trust Fund Board to bring connectivity to a minimum of 459 households. Washington State has allocated Community Project Funding (CPF) to continue its work to expand broadband infrastructure across Kittitas County and bring broadband access to households and businesses that are currently unserved by an existing broadband network through competitive grant funding cycles. Kittitas County voted in late August 2023 to award Consolidated as designer, builder, and operator of this Project. Consolidated and Kittitas County are currently working together to finalize a professional services agreement.

Also, Consolidated was active this past year, again working with Kittitas County, but in their Washington State Broadband Office (WSBO) November 2022 Broadband Infrastructure Grant Program application, which represents bringing connectivity to approximately 1,300 passings in the Ellensburg area of Kittitas County. The WSBO, on May 1, 2023, conditionally approved the Kittitas County project with a project award of up to \$11,366,102 with Coronavirus Capital Program Funds (CPF) from the 2021-2023 Capital Budget appropriation made to the WSBO. In support of Kittitas County's WSBO application, Consolidated provided Kittitas County with a network build proposal, including Consolidated's proposal to act as the committed the ISP. Kittitas County will go out for formal bid on this project later this year to award a contract for the builder, and ISP.

Below, Consolidated provides an estimate of its 2024 cap ex, and repairs and maintenance.

Consolidated is in the early stages of its 2024 budget process. Consolidated preliminary estimates Consolidated Communications of Washington Company, LLC will spend \$7,500,000 in capital expenditures and approximately \$4,120,000 in repairs & maintenance expense in 2024.

Repair and Maintenance expense can be categorized as follows:

General Support	320,000
Central Office	1,100,000
Cable & Wire	1,000,000
Network Operations	1,700,000
Total Repair & Maintenance	<u>\$4,120,000</u>

The repair and maintenance expenses cover both the voice and broadband.