



November 9, 2005

Dear Private Line Customer:

Your current Private Line Services are jointly provided by two telephone companies—Qwest Corporation (“Qwest”) and Western Wahkiakum County Telephone Company (“Wahkiakum”). Today you receive only one bill for these services from Qwest, where Qwest bills for the entire service, based on Qwest’s private line rates. This is part of an historical arrangement where Qwest is the “designated carrier” for private line services with some Independent Telephone Companies in Washington.

This letter is to inform you that Qwest has petitioned the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (“WUTC”) to be relieved of its obligation to be the designated carrier for private line services in portions of Washington. Qwest believes that a designated carrier is not appropriate in today’s competitive environment. Qwest’s Petition will come before the WUTC at its regularly scheduled open meeting on November 30, 2005.

If Qwest’s Petition is granted by the WUTC, Qwest will bill you its rates for Qwest’s portion of your private line service and Wahkiakum will bill you its rates for Wahkiakum’s portion of your private line service (also known as “Special Access” service). Qwest’s rates will remain unchanged from the current level for their portion of the private line, and Wahkiakum’s rates will be from the Special Access portion of its Tariff WN U-4, which is in the process of being modified to accommodate this transition. Qwest’s Washington intrastate private line rates are available for viewing at: http://tariffs.qwest.com:8000/idc/groups/public/documents/tariff/htmltoc_wa_pl_t.htm, and a summary of Wahkiakum’s planned intrastate Special Access rates is presented on the rate sheet that accompanies this notice.

If Qwest’s Petition is granted by the WUTC on November 30, 2005, Qwest and Wahkiakum will begin billing you as outlined above effective January 1, 2006. This filing may result in an increase in the total amount you pay for this service. If you have questions about how your bill will be affected by the proposed change, you can call a Qwest billing representative at: 1 877-262-6596 and a Wahkiakum representative at 1 800-797-4327. You may also call your assigned Qwest account representative.

Qwest and Wahkiakum look forward to continuing to serve you in the future and are pleased to be your private line / Special Access telecommunications providers. If you have questions about this petition process, would like to comment on the petition, or would like to be added to the Commission's mailing list for notification of the Commission's decision in this matter, you may call the Commission toll-free at 1 800-562-6150, e-mail the Commission at comments@wutc.wa.gov, or write the Commission at the following address:

Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
P.O. Box 47250
Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Sincerely,

Qwest and Western Wahkiakum County Telephone Company

Wahkiakum West Telephone			
Intrastate Special Access Rate Sheet			
Monthly Recurring Rates - Selected Rate Elements			
Special Access Rate Element	Current Tariff Rate	Proposed Rate	Rate Difference
Voice Grade			
Channel Termination (per termination)			
-2 Wire	\$41.42	\$37.14	(\$4.28)
-4 Wire	\$59.65	\$59.43	(\$0.22)
Channel Mileage Facility (per mile)	\$1.88	\$2.65	\$0.77
Channel Mileage Termination (per termination)	\$167.00	\$26.58	(\$140.42)
Digital Data (56.0 Kbps)			
Channel Termination (per termination)	\$297.74	\$68.54	(\$229.20)
Channel Mileage Facility (per mile)	\$1.88	\$3.56	\$1.68
Channel Mileage Termination (per termination)	\$167.00	\$35.79	(\$131.21)
High Capacity (1.544 Mbps)			
Channel Termination (per termination)	\$416.73	\$159.05	(\$257.68)
Channel Mileage Facility (per mile)	\$27.19	\$17.22	(\$9.97)
Channel Mileage Termination (per termination)	\$83.66	\$84.89	\$1.23