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Re: Beaver Creek Telephone Company - Docket No. UT-971140 -
Request for Waiver and Approval of Revenue Objective

Dear Ms. Washburn:

This letter is filed on behalf of Beaver Creek Telephone Company. It is Beaver Creek's intention to begin operations within the State of Washington on July 1, 2006. This letter addresses two issues. The first is timing of entry into the Washington Exchange Carrier Association (WECA) pooling process. The second is approval of the Company's revenue objective.

WAIVER REQUEST

As part of its operations, Beaver Creek is requesting to be allowed to become involved in the WECA pooling process. In Docket No. UT-971140, the Commission approved the Washington Carrier Access Plan (the "Plan"). See, Ninth Supplemental Order Approving Washington Carrier Access Plan (July 28, 2000).

Part of that Plan deals with pool entry and exit. Under Paragraph 8 of the Plan, a local exchange company (LEC) that desires to enter the WECA pool process must notify the Commission and WECA of the desire to do so on the first day of the calendar quarter. The Plan provides that the LEC's entry, if otherwise approved, be effective on the first day of the following calendar quarter.

Beaver Creek is requesting a waiver of the notice requirement contained in Paragraph 8 so that it may enter the WECA interim USF terminating access pool and originating CCL access pool effective July 1, 2006; provided, that, WECA is able to make the required tariff filings in a timely fashion to do so. As a fall back,

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Beaver Creek requests entry into the WECA pooling process effective August 1, 2006.

WECA has indicated that it will attempt to accommodate Beaver Creek's request to enter the interim USF terminating access pool and originating CCL access pool effective July 1, 2006 and, failing that, effective August 1, 2006.

On this basis, Beaver Creek respectfully requests waiver of the notice and filing dates as set forth in Paragraph 8 of the Washington Carrier Access Plan as approved in Docket No. UT-971140.

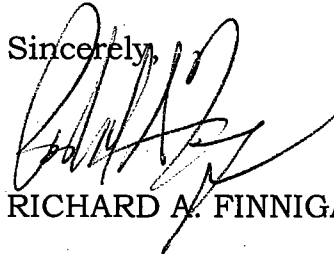
REVENUE OBJECTIVE

Part of the Plan calls for the LEC to seek Commission approval of a company-specific Revenue Objective. In this case, Beaver Creek has met with Commission Staff and has arrived at an agreed Revenue Objective. On that basis, Beaver Creek requests that the Company's Revenue Objective be set at \$569,563 to be used in the WECA rate setting process for the interim USF terminating access pool and a Revenue Objective of \$1,868 for the originating CCL access pool.

Per Beaver Creek's discussions with Commission Staff last week, Beaver Creek is prepared to commit, in the tariff or another forum, to offset that portion of the terminating revenue objective with federal high cost loop funds as they start to flow from USAC currently estimated to begin 4/01/07. Beaver Creek will provide WECA with the data in sufficient time for WECA to file revised rates in a timely manner.

Please contact the undersigned with any questions.

Sincerely,



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