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Via Electronic Mail

December 4, 2006

Ms. Carole Washburn, Executive Secretary Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission 1300 South Evergreen Park Drive S.W. Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

RE: VCI Company – Docket No. UT-033014

Petition for Relinquishment of Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications

Carrier in Washington

Dear Ms. Washburn:

Attached please find VCI Company's ("VCI") Notice of Relinquishment of Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier filed in compliance with 47 C.F.R. § 54.205 and 47 U.S.C. § 214(e)(4).

Please acknowledge receipt of this filing by return electronic mail.

Questions regarding this filing may be directed to me at 253.830.0056 or via electronic mail at staceyk@vcicompany.com.

Sincerely,

VCI Company

Stacey A. Klinzman

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BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Petition of
Stan Efferding d/b/a Vilaire, now known
as VCI Company, for Designation as an
Eligible Telecommunications Carrier

Docket No. UT-033014

Notification of Relinquishment of

Designation as Eligible Telecommunications

Carrier

NOTIFICATION OF RELINQUISHMENT OF DESIGNATION AS AN ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER

COMES NOW, VCI Company ("VCI"), a Washington certified competitive telecommunications service provider and designated Eligible Telecommunications Carrier ("ETC"), and notifies the Washington Utilities and Transportation ("Commission") of its relinquishment of ETC designation pursuant to § 214(e)(4) of the United States Code and § 54.205 of the Federal Communications Commission's rules.¹

VCI seeks relinquishment of both its Federal ETC status in Washington and its Washington state ETC status to participate in the Telecommunications Assistance Program ("TAP"), effective January 1, 2007 ("Date of Relinquishment"). In doing so, VCI does not waive its rights to reimbursement from TAP for lines served prior to the Date of Relinquishment.

I. RULES AND STATUTES AT ISSUE

1. VCI files this notification for compliance with 47 U.S.C. § 214(e)(4), and 47 C.F.R. § 54.205, Relinquishment of Universal Service, which provide that 1) state commissions shall permit an eligible telecommunications carrier ("ETC") to relinquish its designation as an ETC in any area served by more than one ETC and 2) ETCs seeking to

¹ 47 U.S.C. § 214(e)(4); 47 C.F.R. § 54.205

relinquish designation in an area served by more than one ETC shall give advance notice to the state commission of such relinquishment.

2. With this filing, VCI serves advance notice on the Commission that VCI seeks to relinquish its ETC designation in Washington, which designation is in an area served by more than one ETC.

II. BACKGROUND

- 3. VCI is a telecommunications company registered to provide local service in Washington and regulated as a competitive carrier. Order, Docket UT-021524 (Dec. 12, 2002). VCI was designated an ETC by the Commission on April 23, 2003, Order No. 1, Docket UT-033014.
- 4. Pursuant to the Commission's April 23, 2003 Order, VCI was designated an ETC in the following Qwest exchanges:

Aberdeen	Colfax	Liberty Lake	Pomeroy	Sunnyside
Auburn	Colville	Longview	Port Angeles	Tacoma
Bainbridge Island	Coulee Dam	Loon Lake	Port Orchard	Vancouver
Battleground	Dayton	Maple Valley	Port Ludlow	Vancouver Orchards
Belfry	Deer Park	Moses Lake	Port Townsend	Warden
Bellevue	Des Moines	Newman Lake	Puyallup	Waitsburg
Bellingham	Easton	Newport	Renton	Walla Walla
Bremerton	Elk	Ocean Shores	Ridgefield	Winlock
Black Diamond	Ephrata	Olympia	Rochester	Yakima
Buckley	Greenbluff	Omak	Roy	
Castle Rock	Graham	Oroville	Seattle	
Centralia ,	Hoodsport	Othello	Sequim	
Chehalis	Issaquah	Pasco	Shelton	
Colby	Joyce	Pateras	Silverdale	
	Kent		Spokane	
	Lacey		Sumner	

- 5. In addition to Qwest, Tel-West Communications has been designated an ETC in VCI's designated service area.
- 6. On November 30, 2006, VCI filed with the Commission a copy of the company's Section 63.71 Application for Authority to Discontinuance Local Exchange Services in Oregon and Washington, which was filed with the Federal Communications Commission on November 30, 2006.
- 7. On November 30, 2006, VCI filed with the Commission a letter notifying the Commission of VCI's intention to cease providing service on January 1, 2007, in compliance with WAC 480-120-083.

III. CONCLUSION AND REQUESTED RELIEF

- 8. VCI meets the requirements for relinquishment of designation set forth in 47 U.S.C. § 214(e) and 47 C.F.R. § 54.205 in that it has 1) notified the Commission of its intention to relinquish its ETC designation in its designated service area on January 1, 2007, and 2) VCI's designated service area is served by more than one ETC.
- 9. Having complied with Federal rules and statutes, VCI requests the Commission to issue an order approving VCI's relinquishment of ETC status throughout its designated service area on the Date of Relinquishment, including a statement that VCI does not waive its rights to reimbursement from TAP for lines served prior to the Date of Relinquishment.

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Dated this 30th day of November, 2006

VCI Company

Stacey A. Klinzman Regulatory Attorney WSBA No. 24098

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I, Stan Efferding, declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Washington that the following is true and correct:

I am over 21 years of age, and I make this declaration on the basis of my personal knowledge. If called upon to testify in this matter I could and would competently do so.

I am Secretary/Treasurer of VCI Company. I reviewed the foregoing Notification of Relinquishment of Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier ("Notification"). The facts stated in the Notification are true to the best of my knowledge.

Dated this 30th day of November, 2006.

Stan Efferding

Tacoma, Pierce County, Washington

Location where signed

State of Washington)		
)	ss:	Tacoma
County of Pierce)		

On this day personally appeared before me Stan Efferding, to me known to be the individual, or individuals described in and who executed the within and foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that he signed the same as his free and voluntary act and deed, for the uses and purposes therein mentioned.

Given under my hand and official seal this 30th day of Novemby, 2006.



Signature

Sue P. Willett Print Name

Notary public in and for the State of Washington Residing at Tacoma

My commission Expires: July 29, 2007