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Pioneer Telephone Co.

Local and Long Distance Service

Serving LaCrosse, Endicott, Winona, Hooper, Dusty and Hay

Telephone 509/549-3511

P.O. Box 207

LaCrosse, Washington 99143-0207



July 14, 2009

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

Re: Request for Certification Pursuant to WAC 480-123-060 and
47 C.F.R. §54.314

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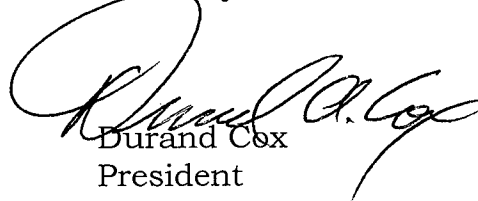
Dear Ms. Washburn:

Pursuant to WAC 480-123-060, Pioneer Telephone Company ("Company") hereby requests that the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission certify that the Company has met the requirements of 47 C.F.R. §54.314 for eligibility for continued receipt of federal high-cost funds.

The certifications and reports that are specified in WAC 480-123-060, WAC 480-123-070 and WAC 480-123-080 are enclosed.

For the Commission's information, in addition to the Lifeline advertisement covered in the enclosed certification, Pioneer Telephone Company posts the Lifeline/WTAP information in the LaCrosse business office, has pamphlets available for such services in the business office, lists the Lifeline/WTAP services available in the Company's phone book and provides the Lifeline/WTAP information to all new customers at the time the customer subscribes for telephone service. Also, the Company experienced no major outages for 2008 and had no request for service from applicant's within the Company's designated service area that was unfilled for the calendar year 2008.

Sincerely,


Durand Cox
President

Enclosures

**AFFIDAVIT CONTAINING CERTIFICATIONS
PURSUANT TO WAC 480-123-060 AND WAC 480-123-070**

I, Durand Cox, being of lawful age, state that I am President of Pioneer Telephone Company ("Company"), that I am authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of the Company, and that the facts set forth in this Affidavit are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief. On this basis, I hereby certify to the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission ("Commission") for use by the Commission in providing the certification to the Federal Communications Commission and Universal Service Administrative Company required by 47 C.F.R. §54.314, as follows:

- (1) That the Company will use federal high-cost universal service fund support only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of the facilities and services for which the support is intended;
- (2) That during the 2008 calendar year, the Company met substantially the applicable service quality standard found in WAC 480-123-030(1)(h);
- (3) That during the 2008 calendar year, the Company maintained the ability to function in emergency situations under the standard found in WAC 480-123-030(1)(g), as such standard relates to functionality of wireline carriers in emergency situations; and
- (4) That during the 2008 calendar year, the Company publicized the availability of its applicable telephone assistance programs in a manner reasonably designed to reach those likely to qualify for service and in a manner which, in the Company's judgment, included advertisements likely to reach those who are not current customers of the Company within the Company's designated service area.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated this 14th day of July, 2009, at LaCrosse, Washington.

Company: Pioneer Telephone Company

By: _____

Durand Cox

Its: President

**REPORTS AS REFERENCED IN WAC 480-123-070
AND WAC 480-123-080**

Pioneer Telephone Company (the "Company") hereby submits the following reports in accordance with WAC 480-123-070 and WAC 480-123-080.¹

Report 1: WAC 480-123-070(1)(a): Attached is a copy of the Company's NECA-1 Reports for the calendar years 2007 and 2008, that, as of the date of the reports, the Company has reported as the basis for support from the federal high-cost fund.

Report 2: WAC 480-123-070(1)(b): The Company reports that the investments and expenses reported under Report 1, above, benefited customers as follows:

Through the expenditure of these funds, the Company was able to continue to provide services at a level that the Company believes meets the intent set forth in 47 U.S.C. §254 of providing high quality telecommunications services to customers in the service area for which the Company is designated as an ETC.² The Company has made substantial investments over the past several years which allow it to provide quality telecommunications services to its customers in its designated ETC service area. Those expenditures and investments, including those reflected in Report 1, above, generally benefit all customers receiving the federal high-cost fund supported services from the Company within its designated ETC service area. The Company has expanded its network over the past several years so that it is capable of providing access to broadband services throughout most of the Company's designated ETC service area. The Company offers services that are comparable to services offered in urban areas at rates that are comparable to rates for such services in urban areas.

Report 3: WAC 480-123-070(4): The Company reports that during the calendar year 2008, the Company did not receive from either the Federal Communications Commission or the Consumer Protection Division of the Office of the Attorney General of the State of Washington any complaints against the Company made by the Company's customers.

¹ It is the Company's understanding that it is not required to submit the reports described in WAC 480-123-070(2) and (3).

² The term "ETC" is used in the same sense as the term is used in Chapter 480-123 WAC.

Report 4: WAC 480-123-080(1)(b): The Company reports as follows:

As they are known to the Company at the date of this Report, the planned investment and expenses related to Washington state for the period January 1, 2009, through December 31, 2009, that the Company expects to use as a basis to request federal high-cost support are expected to be relatively similar to those investments and expenses the Company has set forth in its information filed under Report 1, above, taking into account normal fluctuations in investment and expense levels. The Company expects that levels of expenses will remain relatively the same as those it experienced in calendar year 2008, subject to the effects of inflation and other commonly experienced changes in cost of labor and materials. The Company does not anticipate major adjustments in staffing levels for the relevant period. The Company expects that it will have a similar level of investment related to maintenance, replacement and minor upgrades of equipment and plant as occurred in calendar year 2008.

Report 5: WAC 480-123-080(2): The Company reports as follows:

As they are known to the Company at the date of this Report, the planned investment and expenses related to Washington state for the period January 1, 2010, through December 31, 2010, that the Company expects to use as a basis to request federal high-cost support are expected to be relatively similar to those investments and expenses the Company has set forth in its information filed under Report 1, above, taking into account normal fluctuations in investments and expense levels. The Company expects that levels of expenses will remain relatively the same as those experienced in calendar year 2008, subject to the effects of inflation and other commonly experienced changes in cost of labor and materials. The Company does not anticipate major adjustments in staffing levels for the relevant period. The Company's investment plans directly affecting federal high-cost supported services offered by it in its designated ETC service area do not include a major construction project at the present time. The Company expects that it will have a similar level of investment related to maintenance, replacement and minor upgrades of equipment and plant as occurred in calendar year 2008. The Company has not completed its budgeting process and does not have final numbers prepared for investment and expense levels for 2010. The Company expects that the continued receipt of federal high-cost support will allow the Company to continue to provide the supported service at rates that are comparable to the rates for such services in urban areas. All customers in the Company's designated ETC service area will benefit from the expected level of support by continuing to have available to them services that are comparable to the telecommunications services offered in urban areas at rates that are comparable to the rates for such services in urban areas.



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Applies to Period: Year End 12/2008
Contact Name: Terri Baker
Contact Phone: (509)-549-3511 Ext:
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MSM: 020007494 Melody Crane
OO: *****
Co: 000002437 Pioneer Tel. Co.
SAR: 522437 PIONEER TEL CO

Subset 3

Description	Pending View	Source
060 Total Loops	787	EC
070 Cat. 1.3 Loops	765	EC
160 Account 2001	12,224,772	EC
170 Account 1220	141,987	EC
190 Account 3100	6,150,765	EC
195 Account 3400	0	EC
210 Account 4340	344,793	EC
220 Net Plant Investment	5,871,201	EC
230 Account 2210	1,438,521	EC
235 Account 2220	0	EC
240 Account 2230	1,526,594	EC
245 Total Central Office	2,965,115	EC
250 Ckt Equip Cat 4.13	917,728	EC
255 Account 2410	8,153,701	EC
260 Account 3100 (2210)	1,429,503	EC
265 Account 3100 (2220)	0	EC
270 Account 3100 (2230)	860,407	EC
275 Account 3100 (2210-2230)	2,289,910	EC
280 Account 3100 (2410)	3,001,725	EC
310 Account 4340 (2210)	42,060	EC
315 Account 4340 (2220)	0	EC
320 Account 4340 (2230)	53,926	EC
325 Account 4340 (2210-2230)	95,986	EC
330 Account 4340 (2410)	250,654	EC
335 Account 6110 Total	16,321	EC
340 Account 6110 Benefits	2,758	EC
345 Account 6110 Rents	0	EC
350 Account 6120 Total	24,001	EC
355 Account 6120 Benefits	2,833	EC
360 Account 6120 Rents	0	EC
365 Account 6210 Total	25,800	EC
370 Account 6210 Benefits	5,207	EC
375 Account 6210 Rents	0	EC
380 Account 6220 Total	0	EC
385 Account 6220 Benefits	0	EC
390 Account 6220 Rents	0	EC
395 Account 6230 Total	35,126	EC
400 Account 6230 Benefits	667	EC
405 Account 6230 Rents	0	EC
410 Account 6210-6230	60,926	EC
430 Account 6410 Total	258,908	EC
435 Account 6410 Benefits	85,334	EC
440 Account 6410 Rents	0	EC
445 Total Plant Specific	360,156	EC
450 Account 6530 Total	54,706	EC
455 Account 6530 Benefits	15,941	EC
510 Account 6560 (2210)	13,120	EC
515 Account 6560 (2220)	0	EC
520 Account 6560 (2230)	186,984	EC



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Description	Pending View	Source
525 Account 6560 (2210-2230)	200,104	EC
530 Account 6560 (2410)	398,165	EC
535 Account 6710 Total	18,673	EC
540 Account 6710 Benefits	2,580	EC
550 Account 6720 Total	236,020	EC
555 Account 6720 Benefits	38,746	EC
565 Sum of Lines 535 + 550	254,693	EC
600 Ben. Por. of all Op. Exp.	170,651	EC
610 Rent Por. of all Op. Exp.	0	EC
650 Account 7200 Other Taxes	93,948	EC
700 2410 (C S Total CWF - AV)	8,047,686	EC
710 2410 (C S CWF - Cat.1)	5,266,719	EC
800 Account 2680 Total	0	EC
805 Account 2680 (2230)	0	EC
810 Account 2680 (Cat. 4.13)	0	EC
815 Acc 2680 (2410) Total CWF	0	EC
820 Acc 2680 (2410)CWF-Cat1	0	EC
830 Account 6560 (2680)	0	EC

Comments:



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Description	Official View
060 Total Loops	839
070 Cat. 1.3 Loops	817
160 Account 2001	11,881,962
170 Account 1220	184,112
190 Account 3100	5,500,784
195 Account 3400	0
210 Account 4340	253,833
220 Net Plant Investment	6,311,457
230 Account 2210	1,426,509
235 Account 2220	0
240 Account 2230	1,434,045
245 Total Central Office	2,860,554
250 Ckt Equip Cat 4.13	824,489
255 Account 2410	7,941,671
260 Account 3100 (2210)	1,421,101
265 Account 3100 (2220)	0
270 Account 3100 (2230)	668,706
275 Account 3100 (2210-2230)	2,089,807
280 Account 3100 (2410)	2,603,560
310 Account 4340 (2210)	32,323
315 Account 4340 (2220)	0
320 Account 4340 (2230)	40,903
325 Account 4340 (2210-2230)	73,226
330 Account 4340 (2410)	181,914
335 Account 6110 Total	4,651
340 Account 6110 Benefits	428
345 Account 6110 Rents	0
350 Account 6120 Total	20,431
355 Account 6120 Benefits	708
360 Account 6120 Rents	0
365 Account 6210 Total	8,932
370 Account 6210 Benefits	1,045
375 Account 6210 Rents	0
380 Account 6220 Total	0
385 Account 6220 Benefits	0
390 Account 6220 Rents	0
395 Account 6230 Total	30,555
400 Account 6230 Benefits	7,067
405 Account 6230 Rents	0
410 Account 6210-6230	39,487
430 Account 6410 Total	240,960
435 Account 6410 Benefits	74,412
440 Account 6410 Rents	0
445 Total Plant Specific	305,529
450 Account 6530 Total	51,197
455 Account 6530 Benefits	12,602
510 Account 6560 (2210)	10,195
515 Account 6560 (2220)	0
520 Account 6560 (2230)	204,961



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Description	Official View
525 Account 6560 (2210-2230)	215,156
530 Account 6560 (2410)	411,875
535 Account 6710 Total	13,502
540 Account 6710 Benefits	2,179
550 Account 6720 Total	233,600
555 Account 6720 Benefits	34,527
565 Sum of Lines 535 + 550	247,102
600 Ben. Por. of all Op. Exp.	149,245
610 Rent Por. of all Op. Exp.	0
650 Account 7200 Other Taxes	70,546
700 2410 (C S Total CWF - AV)	7,923,960
710 2410 (C S CWF - Cat.1)	5,407,176
800 Account 2680 Total	0
805 Account 2680 (2230)	0
810 Account 2680 (Cat. 4.13)	0
815 Acc 2680 (2410) Total CWF	0
820 Acc 2680 (2410)CWF-Cat1	0
830 Account 6560 (2680)	0

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