Ms. Carole J. Washburn, Executive Secretary Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission 1300 South Evergreen Park Drive SW Olympia, WA 98504-7250 STATE OF WASH.
UTIL. AND TRANS
COMMISSION

RECORDS MANAGEMENT

Re: Re

Request for Certification Pursuant to WAC 480-123-060 and

47 C.F.R. §54.314

Dear Ms. Washburn:

Pursuant to WAC 480-123-060, Hood Canal Telephone Co., Inc. ("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, the Company runs an advertisement on our local television channel continuously, posts Lifeline/WTAP information in both the Union and Shelton offices, distributes Lifeline/WTAP information flyers when door tagging new customers, and posts Tribal Lifeline information at the tribal center and in tribal newsletters. Also, the Company experienced no major outages for 2010 and had no requests for service from applicants within the Company's designated service area that was unfilled for the calendar year 2010.

Sincerely,

Richard Buechel

President

**Enclosures** 

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

- I, Richard Buechel, being of lawful age, state that I am President of Hood Canal 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 2010 calendar year, the Company met substantially the applicable service quality standard found in WAC 480-123-030(1)(h);
- (3) That during the 2010 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 2010 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 19th day of July, 2011, at Union, Washington.

Company: HOOD CANAL TELEPHONE COMPANY

Richard Buechel

Its: President

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

Hood Canal Telephone Co., Inc. (the "Company") hereby submits the following reports in accordance with WAC 480-123-070 and WAC 480-123-080.

Report 1: WAC 480-123-070(1)(a): Attached are copies of the Company's NECA-1 Reports for the calendar years 2009 and 2010, that, as of the date of the report, 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 quality telecommunications services to customers in the service area for which the Company is designated as an ETC. 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 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 the rates for such services in urban areas.

<u>Report 3</u>: WAC 480-123-070(4): The Company reports that during the calendar year 2010, 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.

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, 2011, through December 31, 2011, 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 2010, subject to the effects of inflation and other commonly experienced changes in cost of

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The term "ETC" is used in the same sense as the term is used in Chapter 480-123 WAC.

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 similar level of investment related to maintenance, replacement and minor upgrades of equipment and plant as occurred in calendar year 2010.

<u>Report 5</u>: WAC 480-123-080(1)(a) and 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, 2012, through December 31, 2012, 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 2010, 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 has not completed its budgeting process and does not have final numbers prepared for investment and expense levels for 2012. The Company expects that the continued receipt of federal high-cost support will allow the Company to continue to provide the supported services 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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#### **USF1010 PENDING VIEW REPORT**



Applies to Period: Year End 12/2010 Subset Reg: 6 WESTERN Contact Name: Jennifer Goos 020007494 MSM: Melody Crane Contact Phone: (360)-898-5366 Ext: 00: \*\*\*\*\*\* Release Status: Special Released Co: 000002419 Hood Canal Tel. Co. Soft Edit Status: Failed Edit SAR: 522419 HOOD CANAL TEL CO Description Pending View Source 060 Total Loops 1,008 EC 070 Cat. 1.3 Loops EC 1,004 160 Account 2001 EC 5,914,074 170 Account 1220 EC 64.552 190 Account 3100 5,541,584 EC 195 Account 3400 0 EC 210 Account 4340 10,594 EC 220 Net Plant Investment 426,448 EC 230 Account 2210 EC 1,155,566 235 Account 2220 0 EC 240 Account 2230 1,274,696 EC 245 Total Central Office 2,430,262 EC 250 Ckt Equip Cat 4.13 734,094 EC 255 Account 2410 2,788,072 EC 260 Account 3100 (2210) 1,129,412 EC 265 Account 3100 (2220) EC 270 Account 3100 (2230) 1,245,845 EC 275 Account 3100 (2210-2230) EC 2,375,257 280 Account 3100 (2410) 2,496,003 EC 310 Account 4340 (2210) EC 12,465 315 Account 4340 (2220) 0 EC 320 Account 4340 (2230) -2,618 EC 325 Account 4340 (2210-2230) 9,847 EC 330 Account 4340 (2410) 9,200 EC 335 Account 6110 Total 167,723 EC 340 Account 6110 Benefits EC 14,848 345 Account 6110 Rents 143,023 EC 350 Account 6120 Total 233,461 EC 355 Account 6120 Benefits EC 13,535 360 Account 6120 Rents 136,759 EC 365 Account 6210 Total 215,098 EC 370 Account 6210 Benefits 40,947 EC 375 Account 6210 Rents 0 EC 380 Account 6220 Total 0 EC 385 0 Account 6220 Benefits EC 390 Account 6220 Rents 0 EC 395 Account 6230 Total 33,931 EC 400 Account 6230 Benefits 3,441 EC 405 Account 6230 Rents EC 0 410 Account 6210-6230 249,029 EC 430 Account 6410 Total 163,688 EC 435 Account 6410 Benefits 35,762 EC 440 Account 6410 Rents EC 0 445 **Total Plant Specific** EC 813,901 450 Account 6530 Total 74,350 EC 455 Account 6530 Benefits 19,984 EC 510 Account 6560 (2210) 58,201 EC 515 Account 6560 (2220) 0 EC 520 Account 6560 (2230) 70,370 EC

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	535 Account 6710 Total				193,908	EC	
	540 Account 6710 Benefits 550 Account 6720 Total				45,959	EC	
					353,855	EC	
	555	555 Account 6720 Benefits			35,869	EC	
	565	65 Sum of Lines 535 + 550			547,763	EC	
	600	600 Ben. Por. of all Op. Exp.			286,793	EC	
	610 Rent Por, of all Op. Exp.				279,782	EC	
	650	Account 7200 Other Taxes			46,428	EC	
	700	00 2410 (C S Total CWF - AV)			2,798,168	EC	
	710	2410 (C S CWF - C	at.1)		2,495,359	EC	
	800	Account 2680 Total			0	EC	
	805	Account 2680 (2230	D)		0	EC	
	810	Account 2680 (Cat.	4.13)		0	EC	
	815	Acc 2680 (2410) To	otal CWF		0	EC	
	820	Acc 2680 (2410)CV	VF-Cat1		0	EC	
	830	Account 6560 (2680	0)		0	EC	

Date: 7/19/2011

- 1. Line 320 Deferred federal income taxes is calculated as a debit amount between tax and booked depreciation.
- 2. Line 700 (\$2,798,168) is higher than Line 255 (\$2,788,072) due to removing additional Part 64 costs in current year CWF.
- 3. Rents increased significantly in the current year. All buildings and large construction vehicles are being leased.



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170	Account 1220			29,031	EC	
190	Account 3100			5,497,334	EC	
195	Account 3400			0	EC	
210	Account 4340			-24,842	EC	
220	Net Plant Inves	tment		603,758	EC	
230	Account 2210			1,276,420	EC	
235	Account 2220			0	EC	
240	Account 2230			1,216,039	EC	
245	Total Central C	Office		2,492,459	EC	
250	Ckt Equip Cat			698,802	EC	
255	Account 2410			2.808,264	EC	
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270	Account 3100 (	•		1.170.874	EC	
275	Account 3100			2,399,886	EC	
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310	Account 4340 (	• •		-17,534	EC	
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320	Account 4340 (	• • •		-3,245	EC	
325	Account 4340 (	`		-20,779	EC	
330	Account 4340 (	•		10,394	EC	
335	Account 6110			86,751	EC	
340	Account 6110 I			9,722	EC	
345	Account 6110 I			0	EC	
350	Account 6120			122,985	EC	
355	Account 6120 I			7,078	EC	
360	Account 6120 I			42,610	EC	
365	Account 6210	Total		184,602	EC	
370	Account 6210			37,903	EC	
375	Account 6210			0	EC	
380	Account 6220	Total		ō	EC	
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390	Account 6220			0	EC	
395	Account 6230			27,008	EC	
400	Account 6230			3,742	EC	
405	Account 6230			0,7-72	EC	
410	Account 6210-			211,610	EC	
430	Account 6410			173,767	EC	
435	Account 6410			41,283	EC	
440	Account 6410			47,203	EC	
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#### Comments:

Date: 7/27/2010

1. Line 310 & 320 - Deferred federal income taxes is calculated as a debit amount between tax and booked depreciation.