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## Via E-Filing

David Danner, Executive Secretary Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive Olympia, WA 98504-7250 records@wutc.wa.gov

Re: Notification of Zayo Group, LLC, AboveNet Communications, Inc. and 360networks (USA) inc. Regarding Certain *Pro Forma* Intra-Company Transactions

Dear Mr. Danner:

Zayo Group, LLC ("Zayo"), AboveNet Communications, Inc. ("AboveNet") and 360networks (USA) inc. ("360networks") (collectively, the "Parties"), hereby notify the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission ("Commission") of certain *pro forma* intra-company transactions that will result in the assets and customers of 360networks and AboveNet moving to Zayo (the "Zayo *Pro Forma* Transactions"). As described in more detail below, the Zayo *Pro Forma* Transactions will be accomplished through (a) the roll-up of AboveNet and 360networks into Zayo through a series of *pro forma* mergers, with Zayo as the surviving entity, and/or (b) the *pro forma* assignment of the assets and customers of AboveNet and 360networks to Zayo followed by the series of *pro forma* mergers described in (a). The *Pro Forma* Transactions are part of a series of intra-company transactions that will simplify the corporate structure of Zayo and align the portions of the business of AboveNet and 360networks more closely with the business structure of Zayo and Onvoy. Subject to receipt of applicable regulatory approvals, Zayo proposes to complete the *pro forma* intra-company transactions as soon as possible and no later than January 31, 2013.

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In addition to the Zayo *Pro Forma* Transactions, certain wholesale assets and services currently held by 360networks will be migrated to Zayo's affiliate, Onvoy, Inc. ("Onvoy") (the "Onvoy *Pro Forma* Transaction") (together with the Zayo *Pro Forma* Transaction, the "*Pro Forma* Transactions"). The assets involved in the Onvoy *Pro Forma* Transaction include facilities used to provide wholesale local exchange and long distance services as well as switched access services. Zayo, 360networks and Onvoy previously notified the Commission of the Onvoy *Pro Forma* Transaction. *See* Docket No. UT-111905. Out of an abundance of caution, the Parties provide this additional notice of the Onvoy *Pro Forma* Transaction because the transaction has not yet been completed.

It is the Parties' understanding that Commission approval is not required to complete the transactions described herein. Accordingly, the Parties submit this letter for informational purposes only to ensure the continuing accuracy of the Commission's records. In support, the Parties state as follows:

## Introduction

Since the time that it completed a *pro forma* intra-company consolidation in 2011, Zayo has acquired a number of additional existing communications businesses, including 360networks and AboveNet. As a result of these acquisitions, the corporate structure of Zayo, has again become overly complex, with numerous operating entities, many of whose services overlap. Through the consolidation of those entities, Zayo will greatly simplify its corporate structure and reduce the reporting and accounting burdens of Zayo (and the regulatory agencies who receive such reports) and provide operational efficiencies.

## **Description of the Parties**

Zayo is a Delaware limited liability company with principal offices at 400 Centennial Parkway, Suite 200, Louisville, Colorado 80027. AboveNet is a Delaware corporation. 360networks is a Nevada corporation. AboveNet and 360networks are wholly owned indirect subsidiaries of Zayo Group. Zayo Group is a wholly-owned direct subsidiary of Zayo Group Holdings, Inc. ("Holdings"), a Delaware corporation, which in turn is a wholly owned direct subsidiary of Communications Infrastructure Investments, LLC ("CII"), a Delaware limited liability company. CII has no majority owner.

In Washington, Zayo is authorized to provide intrastate telecommunications services pursuant to its registration as a telecommunications company with competitive classification granted in Docket No. UT-110349; AboveNet is authorized to provide intrastate telecommunications services pursuant to its registration as a telecommunications company with competitive classification granted in Docket No. UT-980974; and 360networks (USA) inc. ("360networks"), is authorized to provide intrastate telecommunications services pursuant to its registration as a telecommunications company with competitive classification granted in Docket No. UT-990858. The Parties are also authorized by the Federal Communications Commission

Onvoy is a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Minnesota whose principal address is 10300 6th Avenue North, Plymouth, Minnesota 55441.

Onvoy also is a wholly owned direct subsidiary of Holdings.

The Certificate of Registration was originally granted in the name of Metromedia Fiber Network Services, Inc., which subsequently changed its name to AboveNet.

Onvoy is authorized to provide intrastate telecommunications services pursuant to its registration as a telecommunications company with competitive classification granted in Docket No. UT-112010.

("FCC") to provide domestic and/or international telecommunications services. Except for the wholesale voice services currently provided by 360networks that will move to Onvoy, the Company only provides private line services (and similar non-voice services) and does not provide any other voice services.

Additional information concerning the Company's legal, technical, managerial and financial qualifications was submitted to the Commission in connection with various Parties' certification applications and various corporate and financial transactions and is therefore already a matter of public record. The Parties request that the Commission take notice of these descriptions of the Company's qualifications and incorporate them by reference herein. In support of its financial qualifications, the Company's financial statements from its most recent SEC Form 10-Q is available at http://www.zayo.com/sites/default/files/Zayo FY3Q2012 10-Q 0.pdf.

#### **Contacts**

Questions, correspondence or other communications concerning this Notice should be directed to the Parties' counsel of record:

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#### Description of the Pro Forma Transactions

In order to simplify its corporate structure, Zayo is undertaking certain pro forma intracompany transactions that will result in customers and assets moving from 360networks and AboveNet to Zayo. Depending on the timing of various state regulatory approvals, the Zayo Pro Forma Transactions will be accomplished by (1) the roll-up of 360networks and AboveNet into Zayo through a series of pro forma mergers, with Zayo as the surviving entity (i.e. its merging subsidiaries will cease to exist as separate corporate entities); and/or (2) the pro forma assignment of assets and customers of 360networks and/or AboveNet to Zayo, followed by the series of pro forma mergers. Ultimately, Zayo will be the Company entity that provides telecommunications services throughout the United States (except for the wholesale voice services currently provided by 360networks that will migrate to Onvoy). Diagrams illustrating the organizational structure of the

Company and Onvoy before and after the *Pro Forma* Transactions are provided in Exhibit A.

The proposed *Pro Forma* Transactions will not result in any changes to the services received by customers, including rates, terms and conditions of service. Each customer's service will be assigned to Zayo and Onvoy pursuant to terms of that customer's service contract that permit assignment to affiliates and/or pursuant to the customer's authorization. In addition, each of the affected customers will receive notice of the *Pro Forma* Transactions that affect their service. A sample of the notice that will be sent to customers that will become Zayo customers is provided as *Exhibit B*.

Upon completion of the *Pro Forma* Transactions, 360networks and AboveNet will file applications to cancel their authorizations.

## **Public Interest Considerations**

The Parties submit that the *pro forma* intra-company transactions described herein are in the public interest. The Zayo *Pro Forma* Transactions will simplify the Company's existing corporate structure and thereby reduce its reporting and accounting burdens and provide other operational efficiencies. As a result of the efficiencies and focus, the Company will become a stronger competitor to the ultimate benefit of consumers

Furthermore, the *Pro Forma* Transactions will be virtually transparent to customers and will not result in any change in their services. Since all affected customers are already familiar with, and are receiving invoices including the "Zayo" brand, the Zayo *Pro Forma* Transactions will not result in customer confusion. Moreover, the rates, terms and conditions of their services will not change as a result of these purely intra-company transactions.

Finally, all of Zayo's subsidiaries, including the Parties, have the same corporate officers. Therefore, there will be no change in the managerial qualifications of the telecommunications provider serving the customers affected by the Zayo *Pro Forma* Transactions.

A sample of the notice that will be sent to customers of the Company that will become Onvoy and/or Zayo customers is provided as Exhibit C.

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We would appreciate it if you would please acknowledge receipt of this filing. Should you have any questions regarding this filing, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Respectfully submitted,

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Counsel for the Parties

## LIST OF EXHIBITS

Diagrams of the Pre- and Post-*Pro Forma* Intra-Company Transactions Corporate Organization Structure of the Parties Exhibit A

Exhibit B Sample Customer Notice

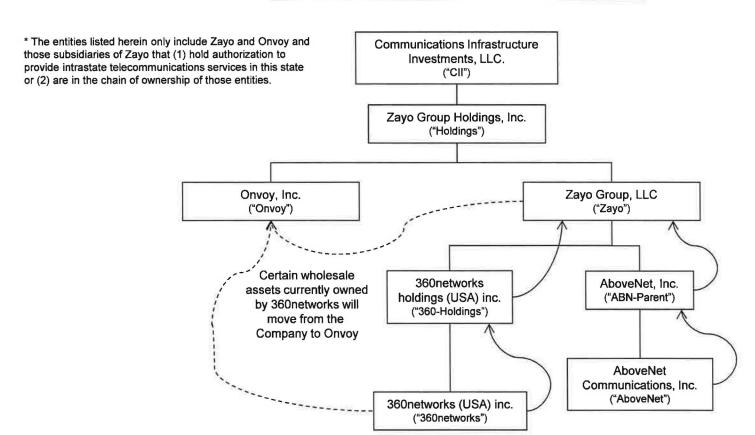
Sample Customer Notice Exhibit C

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## EXHIBIT A

Diagrams of the Pre- and Post-Pro Forma Intra-Company Transactions Corporate Organization Structure of the Parties

# Corporate Organizational Structure of Zayo and Onvoy Before the *Pro Forma* Transactions



## Corporate Organizational Structure of Zayo and Onvoy After the *Pro Forma* Transactions

\* The entities listed herein only include Zayo and Onvoy and those subsidiaries of Zayo that (1) hold authorization to provide intrastate telecommunications services in this state or (2) are in the chain of ownership of those entities.

Communications Infrastructure Investments, LLC.

("CII")

Zayo Group Holdings, Inc.

("Holdings")

Zayo Group, LLC

("Onvoy")

### **EXHIBIT B**

## **Sample Customer Notice**

The applicable affected customers will receive notice of the Zayo *Pro Forma* Transactions through a bill notation. The notice will be provided to customers in their bill issued at least 30 days to the Zayo *Pro Forma* Transactions. The text of the bill notation will be substantially similar to the following:

On or about [DATE], subject to receipt of any necessary regulatory approvals, Zayo Group, LLC will undertake an internal corporate consolidation. Thus, the Zayo corporate entity that will provide your telecommunications services will be Zayo Group, LLC. Your services and the associated pricing and terms and conditions of service will not change as a result of this internal consolidation. There is no charge associated with this change. You will receive a bill from Zayo and we will continue to resolve any issues you may have with your account or service using the same customer service number: 1-866-236-2824.

We recognize that, subject to the terms of your contract, you always have a choice in providers and believe that this internal consolidation will enhance our ability to serve you. Zayo looks forward to continuing to provide you with the superior service you are accustomed to receiving and to the opportunity to provide you additional services.

### **EXHIBIT C**

## **Sample Customer Notice**

The applicable affected customers will receive notice of the Onvoy *Pro Forma* Transaction through a bill notation. The notice will be provided to customers in their bill issued at least 30 days prior to the Onvoy *Pro Forma* Transaction. The text of the bill notation will be substantially similar to the following:

On or about [DATE], subject to receipt of any necessary regulatory approvals, 360networks, Zayo Group and Onvoy will undertake certain internal changes resulting in Onvoy being the entity that will provide your wholesale voice telecommunications services and Zayo Group being the entity that will provide your non-voice telecommunication services, if any. Your services and the associated pricing and terms and conditions of service will not change as a result of this internal change. There is no charge associated with this change. You will receive bills from Onvoy for your wholesale voice telecommunications services and Zayo for your non-voice telecommunications services. Onvoy and Zayo will resolve any issues you may have with your account or service using the following customer service numbers: 1-800-933-1224 for Onvoy; 1-866-236-2824 for Zayo.

We recognize that, subject to the terms of your contract, you always have a choice in providers and believe that this internal change will enhance our ability to serve you. Onvoy Voice Services and Zayo look forward to continuing to provide you with the superior service you are accustomed to receiving and to the opportunity to provide you additional services.

## **VERIFICATION**

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## VERIFICATION

I, Scott E. Beer, am Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary of Zayo Group, LLC and its subsidiaries (collectively, "Zayo") and Onvoy, Inc. ("Onvoy"); that I am authorized to make this Verification on behalf of Zayo and Onvoy; that the foregoing filing was prepared under my direction and supervision; and that the contents are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

Scott E. Beer

Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

Zayo Group, LLC

Onvoy, Inc.

Sworn and subscribed before me this 9<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2012.

LAURA C. MARTINEZ Notary Public State of Colorado

My commission expires <u>04.01-2016</u> #20084011076