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Ms. Amanda Maxwell, Executive Director and Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
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CLAIM OF CONFIDENTIALITY

Dear Ms. Maxwell:

Re: Docket No UT-230003-
FCC Form 481 due July 3, 2023
Eligible Telecommunications Carriers' annual filings
To the Federal Communications Commission pursuant
To 47 C.F.R. §§ 54.313 and 54.422 –
Whidbey Telephone Company (Study Area 522452)

Accompanying this letter for filing with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (“Commission”) is an electronic copy of the FCC Form 481 (including attachments), due July 3, 2023 of Whidbey Telephone Company, as filed electronically with the United States Administrative Company pursuant to Sections 54.313 and 54.422 of the rules of the Federal Communications Commission, 47 C.F.R. §§ 54.313 and 54.422.

Because of the CONFIDENTIAL nature of the information set forth in portions of the accompanying copy the FCC Form 481, pursuant to RCW 80.04.095 and WAC 480-07-160 the Company hereby asserts a claim of confidentiality with respect thereto. The basis for this claim is that the document contains valuable commercial information, including confidential marketing, cost and financial information. Accordingly, as contemplated by WAC 480-07-160(5)(c), unredacted and redacted versions of that document accompany this letter. As specified in WAC

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480-07-160(5)(c)(i), both copies (unredacted and redacted) of the accompanying document have been marked and highlighted in yellow “Shaded information is designated as confidential per WAC 480-07-160.” The redacted version has been marked “REDACTED.”

If the Commission has any questions regarding the enclosed documents, please do not hesitate to call me at (360) 321-0051.

Sincerely,



Gary W. Ricketts
Secretary-Treasurer
Whidbey Telephone Company

Accompanying documents:

- FCC Form 481 (copy - redacted)
- FCC Form 481 (copy - unredacted)