



Dear Private Line Customer:

Your current Private Line Services are jointly provided by two telephone companies—Qwest Corporation (“Qwest”) and Ellensburg Telephone Company (“Ellensburg”). Today you receive only one bill for these services from Qwest, where Qwest bills for the entire service, based on Qwest’s private line rates. This is part of an historical arrangement where Qwest is the “designated carrier” for private line services with some Independent Telephone Companies in Washington.

This letter is to inform you that Qwest has petitioned the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (“WUTC”) to be relieved of its obligation to be the designated carrier for private line services in Washington. Qwest believes that a designated carrier is not appropriate in today’s competitive environment. Qwest’s Petition will come before the WUTC at its regularly scheduled open meeting on September 28, 2005.

If Qwest’s Petition is approved, Qwest will bill you its rates for Qwest’s portion of your private line service and Ellensburg will bill you its rates for Ellensburg’s portion of your private line service. Qwest’s rates will remain unchanged from the current level for their portion of the private line, and Ellensburg’s rates will be from its tariff which will adopt the rates contained in the National Exchange Carrier Association tariff No. 5. Qwest’s intrastate private line rates are available for viewing at: [http://tariffs.qwest.com:8000/idc/groups/public/documents/tariff/htmltoc\\_wa\\_pl\\_t.txt](http://tariffs.qwest.com:8000/idc/groups/public/documents/tariff/htmltoc_wa_pl_t.txt) and a summary of Ellensburg’s planned intrastate private line rates are listed on the attached rate sheet to this notice.

If Qwest’s Petition is granted by the WUTC on September 28, 2005, Qwest and Ellensburg will begin billing you as outlined above starting with your November bill. This filing may result in an increase in the total amount you pay for this service. If you have questions about how your bill will be affected by the proposed change you can call a Qwest billing representative at 1 877-262-6596 and an Ellensburg representative at 1 866-414-7525. You may also call your assigned account representative.

Qwest and Ellensburg look forward to serving you in the future and are proud to be your private line telecommunications providers. If you have questions about this petition process, would like to comment on the petition, or would like to be added to the Commission’s mailing list for notification of the Commission’s decision in this matter you may call the Commission toll-free at 1 800-562-6150, email the Commission at [comments@wutc.wa.gov](mailto:comments@wutc.wa.gov), or write the Commission at the following address:

Secretary  
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission  
P.O. Box 47250  
Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Sincerely,

Qwest and Ellensburg Telephone Company

As of 7/01/05  
NECA Special Access Rates

**ELLENSBURG TELEPHONE**

	Channel Termination Old Rate	Channel Termination New Rate	Difference	Channel Mileage Facility Old Rate	Channel Mileage Facility New Rate	Difference	Channel Mileage Termination Old Rate	Channel Mileage Termination New Rate	Difference
DS-1	\$372.49	\$159.05	(\$213.44)	\$25.30	\$17.22	\$(8.08)	\$76.97	\$84.89	\$7.92
56K, 64K	\$100.25	\$68.54	(\$31.71)	\$3.07	\$3.56	\$0.49	\$26.31	\$35.79	\$9.48
4W	\$42.50	\$59.43	\$16.93	\$1.73	\$2.65	\$0.92	\$17.46	\$26.58	\$9.12
2W	\$29.51	\$37.14	\$7.63	\$1.73	\$2.65	\$0.92	\$17.46	\$26.58	\$9.12
2.4,4.8, 9.6, 19.2	\$82.23	\$37.14	(\$45.09)	\$1.73	\$2.51	\$0.78	\$17.46	\$25.26	\$7.80
DS-3	\$1,282.50	\$1,845.01	\$562.51	\$51.11	\$118.53	\$67.42	\$598.50	\$472.81	(\$125.69)