

REPORT OF ASOTIN TELEPHONE COMPANY UNDER THE
WASHINGTON UNIVERSAL SERVICE COMMUNICATIONS PROGRAM
IN COMPLIANCE WITH WAC 480-123-130

June 29, 2018

Docket No. UT-170842

File electronically

1. WAC 480-123-130(1)(a) - Access Lines Served [NECA 1.3 working loops]

	January 1, 2017	December 31, 2017
Residential	708	669
Business	148	134

2. WAC 480-123-130(1)(b) - Use of Support

The funds received by the Company from the universal service communications program in calendar year 2017 represent monies that the Company formerly received through the Washington Exchange Carrier Association (WECA) pooling process and the reduction of support under the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC's) CAF ICC Program. As such, the funds from the universal service communications program contributed to the ongoing operation and maintenance expenses of the Company. The funds from the universal service communications program are contributing to the Company's ongoing provision of high-quality basic telecommunications service to customers residing in the area the Company serves.

In December 2017, the Company received \$117,473 from the universal service communications program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018.

During the first six months of 2018 major projects include: 1) Installation of the Metaswitch gateway (project began in 2017 and is scheduled for completion in July 2018; total projected cost \$181,000), 2) DSL card additions (\$6,500), 3) the purchase of a new cable locate set (\$4,400) and 4) share of TDS software improvements (\$18,700). The Company plans to begin Phase 1 of ACAM in 2019 with an estimated cost of \$2,600,000 to be invested during 2019-20. The major projects described above will continue throughout 2018 in addition to routine maintenance, cable additions and other projects as needed. The funds received from the universal service communications program can be viewed as contributing to the Company's ability to perform these projects.

The Company's serving area is very spread-out covering 415 square miles including the bottom of the Grand Ronde Canyon therefore repair calls for one or two customers can take all day and cost thousands of dollars each. The support has allowed the company to sustain the current local technical support staff therefore avoiding delayed repairs and maintenance.

3. WAC 480-123-130(1)(c) - Unfilled Consumer Requests for New Basic Telecommunications Service*

None

* Service requests that are ongoing, but still within normal processing times are not counted as unfulfilled.

4. WAC 480-123-130(1)(e) - FCC Form 477

This form was previously filed on or about March 5, 2018 under Docket UT-180002.

5. WAC 480-123-130(1)(f) - Report on Operational Efficiencies/Business Plan Modifications

The Company is part of a major holding company which results in efficiencies and economies of scale that are not available to most Rural LECs and there are on-going efforts to find more ways to cut costs while improving broadband service and continuing to provide high-quality basic telecommunications services. The funds received from the universal service communications program can be viewed as assisting in the Company's efforts to obtain operational efficiencies.

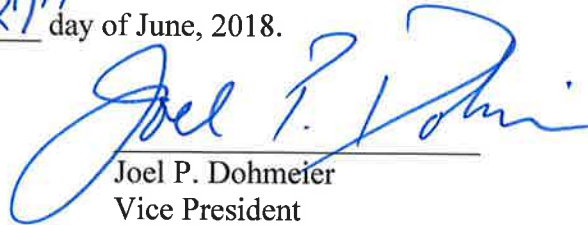
6. WAC 480-123-130(1)(g) and (h) - Other information

N/A

Certified Statement as required by WAC 480-123-130(1)(d):

I, Joel P. Dohmeier, am an officer of Asotin Telephone Company, and upon personal knowledge and with responsibility therefore, hereby certify under penalty of perjury, that Asotin Telephone Company materially complied with Commission rules under Chapter 480-120 WAC that are applicable to the Company and its provision of service within the area for which the Company received universal service communications program support.

Signed at Madison, Wisconsin this 27th day of June, 2018.


Joel P. Dohmeier
Vice President