

REPORT OF ASOTIN TELEPHONE COMPANY D/B/A TDS TELECOM UNDER THE
WASHINGTON UNIVERSAL COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES PROGRAM
IN COMPLIANCE WITH WAC 480-123-130

July 1, 2023

Docket No. UT-220567

File electronically

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

	January 1, 2022	December 31, 2022
Residential	581	565
Business	101	99

Broadband Connections

	January 1, 2022	December 31, 2022
Residential	378	394
Business	27	27

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

The funds received by the Company from the universal communications services program in calendar year 2022 contributed to defrayal of the ongoing operation and maintenance expenses of the Company. These funds are also contributing to the Company's ongoing provision of high-quality basic telecommunications services and the expansion of faster broadband service available to customers residing in the area the Company serves.

In December 2022, the Company received \$73,080 from the universal communications services program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023.

During the first six months of 2023, major projects include \$94,000 of capital investment in the following projects:

Description	Company Description	Forecast Amount	Category
MAN - Snake River Rd. Move - Asotin, WA	Asotin Telephone	2,805	OSP
CAFO - DSA 0133026 Bogans Microwave Rel	Asotin Telephone	42,238	DSL

CAFO - DSA 13305 New Microwave Link to	Asotin Telephone	8,829	DSL
MAN - Grand Ronde River Rd Cable Move A	Asotin Telephone	123	COE
CAFIO - DSA 13301 (Bogans) Calix 10G OSP	Asotin Telephone	5,328	COE
Bond Prep – Aerial	Asotin Telephone	434	OSP
Bond Prep – Buried	Asotin Telephone	431	OSP
Bond Prep – Buried	Asotin Telephone	2,689	OSP
Optical Network Terminal	Asotin Telephone	2,000	OSP
Buried Optical Drop	Asotin Telephone	5,565	OSP
Buried Drop Additions	Asotin Telephone	747	OSP
Non-DSL Card Additions	Asotin Telephone	16,170	COE
Asotin Office AC Replacement	Asotin Telephone	1,622	COE
Exfo OX1-Pro Opt Explr - Asotin (1)	Asotin Telephone	4,852	DSL

CAFO (ACAM), DSL, 10G OSP and bonding all bring faster broadband to more locations. Projects also include routine capex projects including drops, cards and mandatory facility moves. The funds received from the universal communications services program can be viewed as contributing to the Company's ability to perform these projects plus cover normal operating expenses. In the second half of 2023 the Company plans to continue the deployment of the projects mentioned above. Details for 2022 expenditures are included in Report 1 of the annual ETC filing submitted on or around July 1.

3. WAC 480-123-130(1)(c) – Use of Support for Broadband Services

See response to (b) above. The investments described improve the multi-use network for both voice and broadband services. See also Attachment 1 for non-ACAM specific location data for locations that were upgraded to 25/3 or faster during 2022. Prior to 2022 these locations either had a speed less than 25/3 or were not able to get TDS broadband service). FCC Speed Tier Decoder:

Speed Tier 3 = 10/1
 Speed Tier 4 = 25/3
 Speed Tier 5 = 25/5
 Speed Tier 6 = 50/5
 Speed Tier 7 = 100/20
 Speed Tier 8 = 100/25
 Speed Tier 9 = 1000/500

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

None – See also ETC filing Report 4 submitted on or around July 1.

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

5. WAC 480-123-130(1)(g) – Broadband Availability as Required by the Commission

The Company filed its FCC Broadband Data Collection (BDC) with the Commission in docket UT-230043 on or about March 1, 2023. The updated data will be submitted no later than 9/15/2023.

6. WAC 480-123-130(1)(h) – Operational Efficiencies and 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 communications services program can be viewed as assisting in the Company's efforts to obtain operational efficiencies.

7. WAC 480-123-130(1)(i) - FCC Form 477

The 477 submission is no longer required by the FCC. TDS filed subscription data as required on or about March 6, 2023 under Docket UT-230020.

8. WAC 480-123-130(1)(j) - Other Information on other projects

None – see discussion above and in the annual ETC Filing made on or around July 1.

9. WAC 480-123-130(1)(k) - Other Information Required by the Commission

N/A - None

Certified Statement as required by WAC 480-123-130(1)(e) and WAC 480-123-130(1)(f):

I, Joel Dohmeier, am an officer of Asotin Telephone Company (the “Company”), and upon personal knowledge and with responsibility therefor, hereby certify under penalty of perjury, that the 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 communications services program support. In addition, I certify that the Company has committed to deploy broadband to at least those locations comprising the broadband deployment obligation established by the Commission per WAC 480-123-120(5).

Signed at Madison, Wisconsin,

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Joel Dohmeier

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