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VIA E-FILING

Mr. David Danner, Executive Director and Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
1300 South Evergreen Park Drive SW
Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Ellensburg Telephone Company d/b/a FairPoint Communications
- First Revision of Sheet No. 52 Canceling Substitute Original
Sheet No. 52; First Revision of Sheet No. 53 Canceling Substitute
Original Sheet No. 53

Dear Mr. Danner:

Attached you will find the above-referenced tariff sheets. The purpose of this filing is to increase the rate from \$8.47 to \$10.00 effective June 1, 2012, 2012, and then to \$14.00 on January 1, 2013.

The purpose of this filing is to conform to FCC Order No. 11-161. In the course of that Order, the Federal Communications Commission adopted new rules concerning the universal service program. The effect of those rules is to penalize any company whose residential rate is less than \$10.00 on July 1, 2012, or \$14.00 on July 1, 2013. The penalty is a dollar-for-dollar reduction in universal service support for the Company's operations.

In Docket UT-110858, the Company filed financial information concerning its operations. In discussion with Commission Staff, this filing will be based upon the information that the Company has filed in Docket UT-110858.

As a result of using the financial information filed by the Company in Docket UT-110858, the Company is requesting a waiver of the filing

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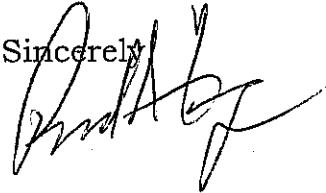
requirements of WAC 480-07-510 or WAC 480-120-339, or both, whichever the Commission finds applicable.

The Notice to customers is attached. The Notice has been sent to the customers with the May billing.

For the record, Ms. Linn has authority to issue tariff sheets on behalf of the Company and the undersigned has authority to file tariff sheets with the Commission on behalf of the Company.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



RICHARD A. FINNIGAN

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Enclosures

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