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Steven King
Acting Executive Director/Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
P.O. Box 47250
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**Re: Ionex Communications North, Inc. d/b/a Birch Communications and
Covista, Inc. - Notification of Transfer of Customers and Assets**

Dear Mr. King:

On February 1, 2013, Ionex Communications North, Inc. dba Birch Communications (“Ionex”), and Covista, Inc. (“Covista”) (collectively, “Applicants”) filed a Notification with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (“Commission”) of the transfer of the assets and customers of Covista to Ionex (the “Transaction”). The Applicants hereby notify the Commission that the Transaction was consummated on March 25, 2013.

As stated in the Notification, Covista will make a subsequent filing to cancel Covista’s authorization to provide telecommunications services in Washington and any currently effective tariffs it may have on file. The contact person for any future correspondence with Covista is Ron Kuzon, who can be reached at rkuzon@hotmail.com or 914-414-6692, or c/o Douglas D. Orvis, Bingham McCutchen, 2020 K Street, NW, Washington, DC 20006.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,



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Inc. dba Birch Communications