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Mr. Steven V. King, Acting Executive Director and Secretary Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission 1300 South Evergreen Park Drive SW Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re:

Merger of Pioneer Telephone Company and Pioneer Telephone Long

Distance Company

Dear Mr. King:

This letter will provide you with notice that Pioneer Telephone Company and Pioneer Telephone Long Distance Company are merging in a corporate reorganization. The surviving company will be Pioneer Telephone Company.

It is expected that the effective date will be July 1, 2013. Pioneer Telephone Long Distance Company will file to cancel its registration pursuant to WAC 480-120-148.

Pursuant to WAC 480-120-083(2)(a), this notice is being provided to the Commission. In addition, the company respectfully requests waiver of notice to customers under WAC 480-120-083(2)(c) by Pioneer Telephone Long Distance Company. Such a notice would be unduly confusing to the customers. There will be absolutely no interruption of service to the customers by this corporate reorganization. In addition, the customers are generally not aware of the distinction between Pioneer Telephone Company and Pioneer Telephone Long Distance Company and believe that their long distance service is being provided by "Pioneer," which is the brand name. Most customers associate that name with Pioneer Telephone Company. For this reason, notice would not serve any useful function in this instance and the Company respectfully request that the rule requirement be waived.

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Thank you for your consideration of this request.

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