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7 **BEFORE THE WASHINGTON
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

8 IN RE

9 PETITION OF THE TOLEDO TELEPHONE
10 CO., INC. TO RECEIVE SUPPORT FROM
11 THE UNIVERSAL SERVICE
12 COMMUNICATIONS PROGRAM

DOCKET NO.

PETITION FOR SUPPORT

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14 COMES NOW The Toledo Telephone Co., Inc. (the "Company") and, pursuant to Chapter
15 480-123 of the Washington Administrative Code ("WAC"), including, but not limited to, WAC
16 480-123-110, hereby petitions the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (the
17 "Commission") to receive support from the Universal Service Communications Program (the
18 "Program") for the Program year 2021.

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20 **I. Demonstration of Eligibility under WAC 480-123-100**

- 21 1. WAC 480-123-100(1)(a): The Company is a local exchange company as defined in WAC
22 480-120-021 that serves fewer than forty thousand access lines within the state.
- 23 2. WAC 480-123-100(1)(b): The Company is an incumbent local exchange carrier as defined
24 in 47 U.S.C. Sec. 251(h) or has been designated as an incumbent local exchange carrier by
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1 the Federal Communications Commission.

2 3. WAC 480-123-100(1)(c): The Company offers basic residential and business exchange
3 telecommunications services as set forth in WAC 480-120-021 and RCW 80.36.630.

4 4. WAC 480-123-100(1)(d): The Company has established a plan, as described in WAC 480-
5 123-110, to provide, maintain or enhance broadband service (See II.4, below).

6 5. WAC 480-123-100(1)(e): The Company has been designated by the Commission as an
7 eligible telecommunications carrier ("ETC") for purposes of receiving federal universal
8 services support pursuant to 47 C.F.R. Part 54 Subpart D - Universal Service Support for
9 High Cost Areas with respect to the service areas for which the Company is seeking
10 Program support.

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12 **II. Demonstration of Eligibility under WAC 480-123-110**

13 1. WAC 480-123-110(1)(a): The name of the legal entity that provides communications
14 services and is seeking Program support is as follows: The Toledo Telephone Co., Inc.

15 2. WAC 480-123-110(1)(b): A corporate organization chart showing the relationship between
16 the Company and affiliates as defined in RCW 80.16.010 is attached hereto as Exhibit 1. ¹

17 A detailed description of any transactions between the Company and the affiliates named in
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20 3. WAC 480-123-110(1)(c): A service area map for the Company can be found at Sheet No.
21 20 of the Company's Tariff WN U-1.

22 4. WAC 480-123-110(1)(d): The Company's broadband plan to provide, maintain, or enhance
23 broadband services in its service area is attached hereto as Exhibit 3.

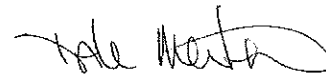
- 1 5. WAC 480-123-110(1)(f): A sworn statement by a Company officer certifying that the
2 Company complies with state and federal accounting, cost allocation, and cost adjustment
3 rules pertaining to incumbent local exchange carriers is attached as Exhibit 4.
- 4 6. WAC 480-123-110(1)(g): The number of residential local exchange access lines served by
5 the Company as of December 31, 2019, was 126. The number of residential local exchange
6 access lines served by the Company as of December 31, 2018, was 161. The number of
7 business local exchange access lines served by the Company as of December 31, 2019, was
8 42. The number of business local exchange access lines served by the Company as of
9 December 31, 2018, was 55. The number of broadband connections served by the Company
10 as of December 31, 2019, was 1497. The number of broadband connections served by the
11 Company as of December 31, 2018, was 1490. The unbundled monthly recurring rate
12 charged by the Company for residential local exchange access service on December 31,
13 2019, was \$18. The unbundled monthly recurring rate charged by the Company for
14 residential local exchange access service on December 31,
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16 2018, was \$18. The unbundled monthly rate charged by the Company for single line
17 business local exchange access service on December 31, 2019, was \$18 The
18 unbundled monthly rate charged by the Company for single line business local exchange
19 access service on December 31, 2018, was \$18 The unbundled monthly rate charged for
20 broadband service as of December 31, 2019, and as of December 31, 2018, is set out in the
21 attached Exhibit 5.
- 22 7. WAC 480-123-110(1)(h): The requested statements are attached as Exhibit 6.
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- 1 8. WAC 480-123-110(1)(h)(i): A sworn statement by a Company officer certifying that the
2 Company is in compliance with the Federal Communications Commission's obligation for
3 deployment of broadband at speeds specified by the Federal Communications Commission
4 applicable to the Company and that the Company meets one of the eligibility criteria set out
5 in WAC 480-123-110(1)(j)(ii), (iii) or (iv) is attached at Exhibit 7.
6 9. All exhibits attached hereto are incorporated into this Petition as though fully set forth.
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9 Respectfully submitted this 28th day of August, 2020.

10 The Toledo Telephone Co., Inc.

11 By


12 VP/COO
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16 CERTIFICATION

17 I Dale Merten, an officer of the Company that is responsible for the Company's business and
18 financial operations, hereby certify under penalty of perjury that the information and representations
19 set forth in the Petition, above, are accurate and the Company has not knowingly withheld any
20 information required to be provided to the Commission pursuant to the rules governing the
21 Program.
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Dale Merten VP/COO

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