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cc
bcc Lisa Wyse/WUTC
Subject UT -060762 re: WeavTel funds request 

Thank you for this communication. I will have it placed in the record in UT-060762.

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Subject re: WeavTel funds request

Bob I have been asked by some friends who are here in the valley at this time to forward this letter to you for the Friday June 16, 2006 hearing regarding request by WeavTel telephone company for funds to be released by the WUTC to them. The following is their letter.

To Mark Sidran

Dear Mark Sidran:

We, Charlie Raymond and Sarah McElroy, oppose approval of the WeavTel application for grant money to install a telephone system in Stehekin.

I, Charlie, have been visiting Stehekin for 35 years, and I, Sarah for 9 years. We now are property owners there, and have a strong interest in what happens locally.

The bases for our opposition are as follows:

- (1) The telephone system is not wanted by the residents of Stehekin;
- (2) The permits for construction of the central facility in the floodplain of the Stehekin River has not been approved by Chelan County*;
- (3) Local easements for providing service to the residents have not been obtained.

Furthermore, WeavTel activities thus far have been highly insensitive to the community. WeavTel essentially clear-cut its property (located in a wooded residential neighborhood) and bulldozed much of its area without having a permit to proceed with its commercial activity, totally ignoring the impacts on adjacent properties and the surrounding neighborhood.

As taxpayers we are also concerned that public funds be well spent in the public interest. All indications are that WeavTel is concerned primarily with securing public funds with little or no commitment to providing a service compatible with community interests.

Thank you for your consideration of our concerns.

Sincerely,

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