

REPORT OF WESTGATE COMMUNICATIONS LLC (DBA WEAATEL) UNDER THE
WASHINGTON UNIVERSAL COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES PROGRAM
IN COMPLIANCE WITH WAC 480-123-130

July 1, 2019

Docket No. UT-180661

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1. WAC 480-123-130(1)(a) - Access Lines Served [NECA 1.3 working loops]

	January 1, 2018	December 31, 2018
Residential	_____ 39 _____	_____ 50 _____
Business	_____ 29 _____	_____ 31 _____

2. WAC 480-123-130(1)(b) - Use of Support

The funds received by the Company from the universal communications services program in calendar year 2018 represent monies that the Company formerly received through the Washington Exchange Carrier Association (WECA) pooling process and the reduction of support under the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC's) Connect America Fund InterCarrier Compensation Fund (CAF ICC) program. As such, the funds from the universal communications services program contributed to defrayal of the ongoing operation and maintenance expenses of the Company. The funds from the universal communication services program are contributing to the Company's ongoing provision of high-quality basic telecommunications service to customers residing in the area the Company serves.

In December 2018, the Company received \$94,797 from the universal communications services program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019.

During the first six months of 2019, the Company undertook the continuing construction of its Stehekin crew quarters that will allow for the installation and maintenance of facilities by company personnel at lower costs by reducing travel time, transportation fees and lodging while working in its service area. WeavTel added a new fixed wireless link from the Stehekin Earth Station/Central office to the United States Postal Service (USPS) remote/MDF capable of transmitting 350 Mbps of voice – data services. This link replaced a DSL link with an aggregate broadband speed of 20 Mbps. A link from the USPS remote to the National Park Service Communications Hut was completed and is capable of an aggregate broadband speed of 150 Mbps. This link replaced a DSL cable link of 10 Mbps. The funds received from the universal communications services program can be viewed as

contributing to the Company's ability to perform these projects described above. The funds also included, without limitation, the repayment of loan funds.

During 2018, the company negotiated a new loan repayment contract with the Rural Utility Services that greatly reduced its debt and made the company compliant with its RUS loan repayment stipulations. In the second half of 2019 the Company plans to complete the Stehekin crew quarters, have all exchange links capable of at least 150 Mbps and continue to increase its line count. The Company also made contact and is working with a satellite provider to address the limitations of the current back haul satellite links from its Holden Village and Stehekin Earth Stations to the Westgate Earth Station/Central Office Switch in Manson Washington.

For 2018, the Company's gross capital expenditures were \$19,928, in addition to \$25,306 of equipment that remained in plant under construction at year end. The Company's 2018 operating expenses were \$525,333. Recent major projects were outlined above.

Per the direction of Commission Staff, the NECA-1 report will be provided as soon as it is available and no later than August 1, 2019.

3. WAC 480-123-130(1)(c) - Unfilled Consumer Requests for New Basic Telecommunications Service*

None

* Service requests that are ongoing but still within normal processing times are not counted as unfulfilled.

4. WAC 480-123-130(1)(e) - FCC Form 477

This form was previously filed on or about March 1, 2019 under Docket UT-190003.

5. WAC 480-123-130(1)(f) - Report on Operational Efficiencies/Business Plan Modifications

The Company continually reviews its operations to determine if efficiencies can be achieved. The Company already has a plan in place to concentrate on improving broadband service while continuing to provide high-quality basic telecommunications service to the customers that are located within the Company's service territory. WeavTel closed its Chelan office and opened a smaller office in Wenatchee, Washington, that resulted in cutting down on travel time and costs to and from the office. The company also laid off its full-time bookkeeper and contracted with a full charge bookkeeper to further reduce costs. The funds received from the universal communications services program can be viewed as assisting in the Company's efforts to obtain operational efficiencies.

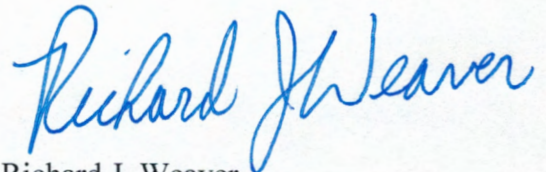
6. WAC 480-123-130(1)(g) and (h) - Other information

N/A.

Certified Statement as required by WAC 480-123-130(1)(d):

I, Richard J. Weaver, am an officer of Westgate Communications LLC (DBA "WeavTel"), and upon personal knowledge and with responsibility therefor, hereby certify under penalty of perjury, that WeavTel materially complied with Commission rules under Chapter 480-120 WAC that are applicable to the Company and its provision of service within the area for which the Company received universal communications services program support.

Signed at 200 Palouse Street, Suite 20, Wenatchee, Washington this 1st day of July, 2019.



**Richard J. Weaver
General Manager**