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David Danner, Executive Director and Secretary Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission 1300 South Evergreen Park Drive SW Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Docket No. UT-037015; Request for Certification Pursuant to WAC 480-

123-060 and 47 C.F.R. §54.314

Dear Mr. Danner:

Re:

Pursuant to WAC 480-123-060, YCOM Networks, Inc. ("Company") hereby requests that the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission certify that the Company has met the requirements of 47 C.F.R. §54.314 for eligibility for continued receipt of federal high-cost funds.

The certifications and reports that are specified in WAC 480-123-060, WAC 480-123-070 and WAC 480-123-080 are enclosed. Since the reports contain confidential information, redacted and confidential versions of the reports are included with a claim of confidentiality pursuant to WAC 480-07-160. Since only one copy of the reports and certifications are required to be filed, the Company requests waiver of the requirement to file multiple copies as set out in WAC 480-07-160(3)(c)(iii).

RICHARD A. FINNIGAN

RAF/km Enclosures

cc:

Chris Barron (via e-mail)
Jana Manterola (via e-mail)
Pat Morse (via e-mail)

### AFFIDAVIT CONTAINING CERTIFICATIONS PURSUANT TO WAC 480-123-060 AND WAC 480-123-070

I, Patrick L. Morse, being of lawful age, state that I am the SR/VP Governmental Affairs of YCOM Networks, Inc. ("Company"), that I am authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of the Company, and that the facts set forth in this Affidavit are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief. On this basis, I hereby certify to the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission ("Commission") for use by the Commission in providing the certification to the Federal Communications Commission and Universal Service Administrative Company required by 47 C.F.R. §54.314, as follows:

- (1) That the Company will use federal high-cost universal service fund support only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of the facilities and services for which the support is intended;
- (2) That during the 2008 calendar year, the Company met substantially the applicable service quality standard found in WAC 480-123-030(1)(h);
- (3) That during the 2008 calendar year, the Company maintained the ability to function in emergency situations under the standard found in WAC 480-123-030(1)(g), as such standard relates to functionality of wireline carriers in emergency situations; and
- (4) That during the 2008 calendar year, the Company publicized the availability of its applicable telephone assistance programs in a manner reasonably designed to reach those likely to qualify for service and in a manner which, in the Company's judgment, included advertisements likely to reach those who are not current customers of the Company within the Company's designated service area.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated this 23 day of July, 2009, at Dodge City, KS.

Company: YCOM Networks, Inc.

Patrick L. Morse

Its: SR/VP Governmental Affairs

#### **USF1010 PENDING VIEW REPORT**



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Comments:

#### REPORTS AS REQUIRED BY WAC 480-123-070 AND WAC 480-123-080

YCOM Networks, Inc. (the "Company") hereby submits the following reports in accordance with WAC 480-123-070 and WAC 480-123-080.1

Report 1: WAC 480-123-070(1)(a): Attached is a copy of the Company's NECA-1 Report for the calendar year 2008, that, as of the date of the report, the Company has reported as the basis for support from the federal high-cost fund.

<u>Report 2</u>: WAC 480-123-070(1)(b): The company reports that the investments and expenses reported under Report 1, above, benefited customers as follows:

Through the expenditure of these funds, the Company was able to continue to provide services at a level that the Company believes meets the intent set forth in 47 U.S.C. §254 of providing high quality telecommunications services to customers in the service area for which the Company is designated as an ETC. The Company has made substantial investments over the past several years which allow it to provide quality telecommunications services to its customers in its designated ETC service area. Those expenditures and investments, including those reflected in Report 1, above, generally benefit all customers receiving the federal high-cost fund supported services from the Company within its designated service area. In addition, during 2008, the Company was engaged in a major investment project within its designated ETC service area as described below.

The Yelm Exchange has experienced an extraordinary amount of subdivision growth over the past several years. In 2008 the Company made an investment of outside Plant infrastructure to provide service to new lots and provide service to existing subdivisions. The Company made an investment of outside Plant network throughout the serving area. These upgrades provided for a platform to deliver more reliable local service and advanced telecommunications services to the customers throughout the serving area affecting all subscribers.

Report 3: WAC 480-123-070(4): The Company reports that during the calendar year 2008, the Company received two customer complaints from the Federal Communications Commission and one customer complaint from the Consumer Protection Division of the Office of the Attorney General of the State of Washington.

<u>FCC Complaint #1</u>: Complaint was related to Internet access speed. Customer was upgraded from DSL Lite to Standard DSL, which resolved the complaint.

<u>FCC Complaint #2:</u> Complaint was related to local number portability, and was resolved by explaining the LNP process and rules to the customer.

<u>AG Complaint</u>: Customer was not receiving monthly statements. This complaint was resolved by verifying the customer's mailing address.

## Report 4: WAC 480-123-080(1)(b): The Company reports as follows:

As they are known to the Company at the date of this Report, the present and planned investment and expenses related to Washington state for the period calendar year 2009, that the Company expects to use as a basis to request federal high-cost support are expected to be relatively similar to those investments and expenses the Company has set forth in its information filed under Report 1, above, taking into account normal fluctuations in investment and expense levels. The Company expects that levels of expenses will remain relatively the same as those it experienced in calendar year 2008, subject to the effects of inflation and other commonly experienced changes in cost of labor and materials. The Company does not anticipate major adjustments in staffing levels for the relevant period. The Company expects that it will have relatively the same level of investment related to maintenance, replacement and minor upgrades of equipment and plant as occurred in calendar year 2008.

The expected benefit to customers from the anticipated investment and expenditures is that customers will continue to receive a high level of telecommunications service. As to the specific investment project identified above, it is expected that customers will benefit by increased reliability of service and the increased availability of a broader range of telecommunications services, including, but not limited to, advanced services.

# Report 5: WAC 480-123-080(2): The Company reports as follows:

As they are known to the Company at the date of this Report, the planned investment and expenses related to Washington state for the period January 1, 2010, through December 31, 2010, that the Company expects to use as a basis to request federal high-cost support are expected to be relatively similar to those investments and expenses the Company has set forth in its information filed under Report 1, above, taking into account normal fluctuations in investment and expense levels. The Company expects that levels of expenses will decrease somewhat relatively close to the same as those it experienced in calendar year 2009, subject to the effects of inflation and other commonly experienced changes in cost of labor and materials. The Company does not anticipate major adjustments in staffing levels for the relevant period. The Company expects that it will have relatively the same level of investment related to maintenance, replacement and minor upgrades of equipment and plant as occurred in calendar year 2008. The Company has not completed its budgeting process and does not have final numbers prepared for investment and expense levels for 2010.

In addition to the foregoing, the Company is planning on upgrading at least two remotes to provide enhanced services in 2010. Other projects will add Fiber to the Home facilities to support new subdivision growth and at least four new proposed business developments.

The expected benefit to customers from the anticipated investment and expenditures is that customers will continue to receive a high level of telecommunications service. As to the specific investment project identified above, it is expected that customers will benefit by increased reliability of service and the increased availability of a broader range of telecommunications services, including, but not limited to, advanced services.