## **BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE**

## **UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

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| In the Matter of the Petition of RELIANCE GLOBALCOM SERVICES, INC.,  Petitioner,  Seeking Exemption from the Provisions of WAC 480-120-382 Requiring Competitively Classified Telecommunications Companies to File the 2009 Annual Report no later than May 1, 2010  . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | ) ) ) ) ) ) ) ) ) ) ) ) )  ) | DOCKET UT-100780 ORDER 01  ORDER GRANTING EXEMPTION FROM RULE; GRANTING COMPANY ADDITIONAL TIME TO FILE ANNUAL REPORT |

## **BACKGROUND**

1. On May 3, 2010, Reliance Globalcom Services, Inc., (Reliance or Company) filed with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) a petition for an exemption from WAC 480-120-382. The Company is requesting an extension of time to file its annual report for 2009. According to Reliance, it has converted to a fiscal year-end of March 31 for financial reporting purposes. The Company is waiting for its auditors to complete their audit. Reliance requests an extension of time to file its financial statements no later than June 1, 2010.

1. Commission Staff reviewed the request and recommends granting Reliance’s request for extension of time to file its 2009 financial statement until June 1, 2010.

### FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

1. (1) The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission is an agency of the State of Washington vested by statute with the authority to regulate public service companies, including competitively classified telecommunications companies. *RCW 80.01.040, RCW 80.04 and RCW 80.36.*
2. (2) Reliance is a competitively classified telecommunications company and a public service company subject to Commission jurisdiction.
3. (3) Reliance is subject to WAC 480-120-382, which requires competitively classified telecommunications companies to file an annual report, including financial statements, no later than May 1 of each year.
4. (4) Under WAC 480-120-015, the Commission may grant an exemption from any rule in WAC 480-120, if consistent with the public interest, the purposes underlying regulation and applicable statutes. *See also WAC 480-07-110.*
5. (5) This matter came before the Commission at its regularly scheduled meeting on May 27, 2010.
6. (6) After review of the petition in Docket UT-100780 by Reliance filed on May 3, 2010, and giving due consideration, the Commission finds that the exemption is in the public interest and is consistent with the purposes underlying the regulation and applicable statutes and should be granted.

## **O R D E R**

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS:**

1. (1) The request by Reliance Globalcom Services, Inc., for an exemption from WAC 480-120-382 and for an extension until June 1, 2010, to file its 2009 financial statements is granted.
2. (2) Failure by Reliance Globalcom Services, Inc., to file its financial statements by June 1, 2010, may result in the Commission invoking RCW 80.04.405, which allows the Commission to assess penalties for violations of statute, rules and Commission orders.
3. (3) The Commission retains jurisdiction over the subject matter and Reliance Globalcom Services, Inc., to effectuate the provisions of this Order.

The Commissioners, having determined this Order to be consistent with the public interest, directed the Secretary to enter this Order.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective May 27, 2010.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

DAVID W. DANNER, Executive Director and Secretary