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via E-Mail

Jana Manterola
Manager Accounting
Ellensburg Telephone Company d/b/a Fairpoint Communications
305 N Ruby
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RE: Information request regarding the TCJA in Docket UT-180017

Dear Ms. Manterola:

On December 22, 2017, President Trump signed H.R.1 – An Act to provide for reconciliation pursuant to titles II and V of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2018 (*The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, or "TCJA"*) into law. The *TCJA* amends the Internal Revenue Code to reduce tax rates and modify policies, credits, and deductions for individuals and businesses. The most notable impact for utilities regulated by the commission is the reduction of the federal corporate tax rate from 35 percent to 21 percent.

Pursuant to its investigative authority under RCW 80.04.070, the commission requests information related to the *TCJA*'s impacts on the company's operations (see Attachment 1) and its proposed use(s) of those net benefits for its customers (see Attachment 2).

Please respond to this request **by February 12, 2018**. If you have any questions please contact Mr. Tim Zawislak at (360) 664-1294 or Mr. Sean Bennett at (360) 664-1109.

Sincerely,

JING Y. ROTH
Assistant Director
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Attachments (2)