

REPORT OF ASOTIN TELEPHONE COMPANY UNDER THE  
WASHINGTON UNIVERSAL SERVICE COMMUNICATIONS PROGRAM  
IN COMPLIANCE WITH WAC 480-123-130

July 1, 2016

Docket No. UT-151586

File electronically

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

	January 1, 2015	December 31, 2015
Residential	804	748
Business	160	155

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

The funds received by the Company from the universal service communications program in calendar year 2015 represents 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) CAF ICC Program. As such, the funds from the universal service communications program contributed to the ongoing operation and maintenance expenses of the Company. The funds from the universal service communication 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 January 2015, the Company received \$ 31,726 from the universal service communications program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015 representing the reduction in support from the CAF ICC Program.

During 2015, the Company undertook several projects to enhance and reinforce facilities including major projects to retrofit the broadband wireline access equipment in Anatone and reinforcing the capacity on Rocky Road. The funds received from the universal service communications program can be viewed as contributing to the Company's ability to perform those projects.

The investments and expenses reported in the FCC Form 481 benefited the customers by maintaining and expanding the network to continue providing high quality telecommunications and broadband services including making the necessary capital

additions to serve new customers. The Company's serving area is very spread-out covering 415 square miles including the bottom of the Grand Ronde Canyon therefore repair calls for one or two customers can take all day and cost thousands of dollars each. The support has allowed the company to sustain the current local technical support staff therefore avoiding delayed repairs and maintenance.

In December 2015, the Company received \$ 99,808 from the universal service communications program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016 which represents monies that the Company formerly received through the WECA pooling process and the reduction of support under the FCC's CAF ICC Program.

During the first six months of 2016 major projects were opened to: 1) expand the 10G transport network (\$89,000), 2) replace back-up batteries in Anatone (\$13,000) and 3) retrofit Calix equipment in Anatone DSA 13300 (\$20,000). The major projects described above will continue throughout 2016 in addition to routine maintenance, cable additions and other projects as needed. The funds received from the universal service communications program can be viewed as contributing to the Company's ability to perform these projects.

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, 2016 under Docket UT-160032.

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

The Company is part of a major holding company which results in efficiencies and economies of scale that are not available to most Rural LECs and there are on-going efforts to find more ways to cut costs while improving broadband service and continuing to provide high-quality basic telecommunications services. The funds received from the universal communications program can be viewed as assisting in the Company's efforts to obtain operational efficiencies

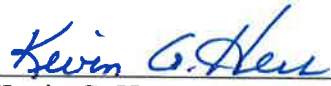
6. WAC 480-123-130(1)(g) and (h) - Other information

N/A

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

I, Kevin G. Hess, am an officer of Asotin Telephone Company, and upon personal knowledge and with responsibility therefore, hereby certify under penalty of perjury, that Asotin Telephone Company 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 service communications program support.

Signed at Madison, WI, this 30<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2016.



Kevin G. Hess

Executive Vice President

Title