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July 20, 2004

Richard A. Finnigan  
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Dear Mr. Finnigan:

The Commission recently received several requests for approval of interconnection agreements (see attached Appendix A). The filings are currently scheduled for consideration at the Commission open meeting of July 28, 2004. These items will appear on the Consent Agenda.

The agreements are traffic exchange agreements, and have effective dates in the agreements as of "the date signed by both Parties." As you are aware, an interconnection agreement is not enforceable until approved by the Commission. In communications with you it has been unclear whether you believe the terms of these agreements are effective on the date of Commission approval or January 1, 2004, at the election of the carrier. Although Staff is not investigating the issue at this time, Staff urges the parties to proceed with caution.

The Commission's approval of the agreements on the Consent Agenda should not be viewed as declaration of Staff's position on the issue. Furthermore, Staff reserves the right to initiate an investigation in the future.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Kristen Russell at (360) 664-1281.

Sincerely,

Carole J. Washburn  
Executive Secretary

Attachment

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Appendix A

Date Received by Commission	Docket No.	ILEC	Effective Date (signed)	CLEC	Effective Date (signed)
June 28, 2004	UT-043059	Inland Telephone Company	May 28, 2004	T-Mobile USA, Inc.	June 22, 2004
June 28, 2004	UT-043060	Mashell Telecom, Inc.	June 11, 2004	T-Mobile USA, Inc.	June 22, 2004
June 28, 2004	UT-043061	Hood Canal Telephone Co., Inc.	June 1, 2004	T-Mobile USA, Inc.	June 22, 2004
June 28, 2004	UT-043062	Western Wahkiakum County Telephone Company	June 17, 2004	Sprint Spectrum L.P.	June 25, 2004
June 28, 2004	UT-043063	The Toledo Telephone Company	June 17, 2004	Sprint Spectrum L.P.	June 25, 2004
June 28, 2004	UT-043064	Mashell Telecom, Inc.	June 11, 2004	Sprint Spectrum L.P.	June 24, 2004
July 2, 2004	UT-043065	Pend Oreille Telephone Company	May 28, 2004	Sprint Spectrum L.P.	June 30, 2004