

December 3, 2004

Richard A. Finnigan
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RE: Docket Nos. UT-043120 and UT-043121

Dear Mr. Finnigan:

The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission has received two petitions for designation of eligible telecommunications carriers, UT-043120 submitted by Sprint PCS, and UT-043121 submitted by you on behalf of Hood Canal Telephone Company. The Commission will likely address both petitions at its open meeting of December 29, 2004.

The Commission understands that you may oppose the petition of Sprint PCS on behalf of your client, the Washington Independent Telephone Association. If you do, it could assist the Commission if you would provide your response to the petition in writing in advance of the open meeting, in light of the holiday and the possible length of the year-end agenda. Receipt of the responses not later than December 21, 2004, would assist the Commission in its preparations.

Finally, it appears more information may be needed to permit the Commission to make an informed determination of the petition of Hood Canal Telephone Company, UT-043121. The Commission will accept amendments to the petition addressing Hood Canal Telephone Company's ability to meet the requirements of 47 C.F.R. § 54.100 *et seq.* and 47 C.F.R. § 54.400 *et seq.* Please call Bob Shirley, 664-1292, if you have questions concerning this matter.

Sincerely,

CAROLE J. WASHBURN
Executive Secretary

cc: Tre Hendricks, Sprint PCS