

excise tax for the following year. The amount of tax shall not exceed twenty cents per month for each switched access line, as established through legislation.

- 5 (2) EMD has submitted to the Commission its annual report of revenues, expenditures, and budgets relating to the statewide provision of the E911 service. EMD has recommended the continuation of the current excise tax of \$0.20 per switched access line per month. This matter was brought before the Commission at its regularly scheduled open meeting held on October 25, 2006. The Commission Staff investigated the filing and recommended the Commission determine the appropriate level of tax to be \$0.20.
- 6 (3) Continuation of the state E911 excise tax of \$0.20 is necessary due to implementation of network enhancements, support and operations for E911 services statewide.

O R D E R

THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- 7 (1) Each local exchange telephone company shall collect a state Enhanced 911 excise tax in the amount of \$0.20 per switched access line per month, and pursuant to RCW 82.14B.030, shall remit the amount collected directly to the Department of Revenue on a tax return provided by the Department of Revenue.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective October 25, 2006.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

MARK H. SIDRAN, Chairman

PATRICK J. OSHIE, Commissioner

PHILIP B. JONES, Commissioner