BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Petition of)	DOCKET UT-090578
INETWORKS GROUP, INC.,)	ORDER 01
Petitioner,)	
Seeking Exemption from the Provisions of WAC 480-120-382 Requiring Competitively Classified Telecommunications Companies to File the 2008 Annual Report no later than May 1, 2009))	ORDER GRANTING EXEMPTION FROM RULE; GRANTING COMPANY ADDITIONAL TIME TO FILE ANNUAL REPORT

BACKGROUND

- On April 23, 2009, iNetworks Group, Inc. (iNetworks or Company), filed with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) a petition for an extension of time to file its annual report for 2008 as required by WAC 480-120-382. According to iNetworks, it is unable to prepare the report due to information not being readily available at this time. iNetworks seeks an extension until May 31, 2009.
- 2 Commission Staff reviewed the request and recommended granting iNetworks's request for exemption.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

- The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission is an agency of the State of Washington vested by statute with the authority to regulate public service companies, including competitively classified telecommunications companies. *RCW* 80.01.040, *RCW* 80.04 and *RCW* 80.36.
- 4 (2) iNetworks is a competitively classified telecommunications company and a public service company subject to Commission jurisdiction.
- 5 (3) iNetworks is subject to WAC 480-120-382, which requires competitively classified telecommunications companies to file an annual report no later than May 1 of each year.

6 (4) Under WAC 480-120-015, the Commission may grant an exemption from any rule in WAC 480-120, if consistent with the public interest, the purposes underlying regulation and applicable statutes. *See also WAC 480-07-110*.

- 7 (5) This matter came before the Commission at its regularly scheduled meeting on May 14, 2009.
- 8 (6) After review of the petition in Docket UT-090578 by iNetworks filed on April 23, 2009, and giving due consideration, the Commission finds that the exemption is in the public interest and is consistent with the purposes underlying the regulation and applicable statutes and should be granted.

ORDER

THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- 9 (1) The request by iNetworks Group, Inc. for an exemption from WAC 480-120-382 and for an extension until May 31, 2009, to file its 2008 annual report is granted.
- 10 (2) Failure by iNetworks Group, Inc. to file its annual report by May 31, 2009, may result in the Commission invoking RCW 80.04.405, which allows the Commission to assess penalties for violations of statute, rules and Commission orders.
- 11 (3) The Commission retains jurisdiction over the subject matter and iNetworks Group, Inc. to effectuate the provisions of this Order.

The Commissioners, having determined this Order to be consistent with the public interest, directed the Executive Director and Secretary to enter this Order.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective May 14, 2009.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION