

members from 120 Washington cities. The Alliance has hundreds of members that are residential customers of applicant Qwest.

4. The primary mission of the Alliance is to protect, educate and advocate for Washington's residential utility customers and promote public policies that ensure affordable access to power and telecommunications service for all of Washington's citizens, especially low-income and vulnerable citizens.

5. The Alliance has a special interest in this proceeding because many Washington residents, including substantial numbers of Alliance members, will be directly affected by the decisions the Commission makes regarding the Applicant's petition.

6. To our knowledge, there is no other grassroots non-profit, membership based, residential customer advocacy group participating in this proceeding.

7. The Alliance has no intention of broadening the issues, burdening the record or delaying the proceeding through its intervention.

8. For the reasons listed above, the intervention of the Alliance in this proceeding is in the public interest. The Alliance requests the Commission grant its petition to intervene in this matter.

9. I certify that the facts asserted herein are true and correct to the best of my belief.

Dated this 2nd day of March 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have this day served the foregoing document upon all parties of record in these proceedings by mailing a copy properly addressed with first class postage prepaid.

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