

REPORT OF KALAMA TELEPHONE COMPANY UNDER THE
WASHINGTON UNIVERSAL COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES PROGRAM
IN COMPLIANCE WITH WAC 480-123-130

July 1, 2017

Docket No. UT-160966

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1. WAC 480-123-130(1)(a) - Access Lines Served

	January 1, 2016	December 31, 2016
Residential	<u>1713</u>	<u>1690</u>
Business	<u>518</u>	<u>529</u>

2. WAC 480-123-130(1)(b) - Use of Support

The funds received by the Company from the universal communications services program in calendar year 2016 represents monies that the Company formerly received through the Washington Exchange Carrier Association (WECA) pooling process and the reduction of support under the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC's) Connect America Fund InterCarrier Compensation Fund (CAF ICC) program. As such, the funds from the universal communications services program contributed to defrayal of the ongoing operation and maintenance expenses of the Company. The funds from the universal communications services program are contributing to the Company's ongoing provision of high-quality basic telecommunications service to customers residing in the area the Company serves.

In December 2016, the Company received \$248,296 from the universal services communications program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017 which represents monies that the Company formerly received through the WECA pooling process and the reduction of support under the FCC's CAF ICC Program.

During the first six months of 2017 the Company completed the following projects:

- (1) The Company installed exchange line circuit equipment at a cost of approximately \$22,000. This project will provide VDSL2 service or ADSL2+ service to 31 customers. This project will improve broadband speeds, increase data capacity and will provide growth capacity in the area served.

- (2) The Company installed exchange line circuit equipment at a cost of approximately \$16,500. This project will provide VDSL2 service or ADSL2+ service to 48 customers. This project will improve broadband speeds and increase data capacity.

[REDACTED]

- (4) The Company installed fiber optic facilities between its central office and a remote at a cost of approximately \$78,500. This project improved voice and broadband service for approximately 960 customers.

The funds received from the universal communications services program can be viewed as contributing to the Company's ability to perform the projects above

In the second half of 2017 the Company anticipates performing the following projects:

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

3. WAC 480-123-130(1)(c) - Unfilled Consumer Requests for New Basic Telecommunications Service*

None

* Service requests that are ongoing but still within normal processing times are not counted as unfulfilled.

4. WAC 480-123-130(1)(e) - FCC Form 477

This form was previously filed on or about February 8, 2017 under Docket UT-170009.

5. WAC 480-123-130(1)(f) - Report on Operational Efficiencies/Business Plan Modifications

The Company continually reviews its operations to determine if efficiencies can be achieved. The Company already has a plan in place to concentrate on improving broadband service while continuing to provide high-quality basic telecommunications service to the customers that are located within the area that the Company serves. The funds received from the universal communications services program can be viewed as assisting in the Company's efforts to obtain operational efficiencies.

6. WAC 480-123-130(1)(g) and (h) - Other information

Not Applicable

Certified Statement as required by WAC 480-123-130(1)(d):

I, Steve Hanson, am an officer of Kalama Telephone Company, and upon personal knowledge and with responsibility therefor, hereby certify under penalty of perjury, that Kalama Telephone Company materially complied with Commission rules under Chapter 480-120 WAC that are applicable to the Company and its provision of service within the area for which the Company received universal communications services program support.

Signed at Tenino, Washington this 28th day of June, 2017.



President