December 8, 2003

Ms. Carole Washburn Executive Secretary Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission P.O. Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

RE: Docket No. UT-033044 Talk America Inc. Response to WUTC Bench Requests

Dear Ms. Washburn:

Enclosed is Talk America Inc.'s Response to the Commission's Bench Requests in the above-referenced proceeding. Attached in a separate envelope are Talk America's Confidential responses to CLEC Question Nos. 6 and 18, which are being filed pursuant to the Protective Order in this proceeding. Talk America's responses are also being submitted electronically to <u>records@wutc.wa.gov</u> today, December 8, 2003.

Should you have any questions, you may contact me at 407-313-1353.

Sincerely,

Sharon Thomas Senior Director of Regulatory Affairs