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Ms. Carole J. Washburn, Executive Secretary  
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission  
1300 South Evergreen Park Drive SW  
Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket No. UT-041629

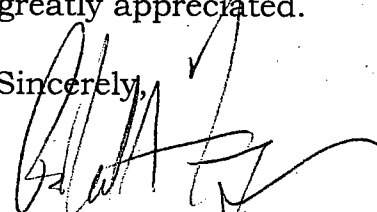
Dear Ms. Washburn:

The purpose of this letter is to request an extension to file comments in this matter. Comments are due February 4, 2005 for the current round. This letter requests an extension for the Washington Independent Telephone Association (WITA) to February 25, 2005.

The reason for this request is that the data gathering process has turned out to be more complex and time consuming than initially estimated. Hard data is needed to provide meaningful comments on the questions promulgated by the Commission Staff.

Your consideration of this request is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,



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cc: Rebecca Beaton

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