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**VIA E-FILING**

Mr. Steven V. King, Executive Director and Secretary

Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission

1300 South Evergreen Park Drive SW

Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Pioneer Telephone Company - Section IV - Sixth Revision of Sheet No. 5 Canceling Fifth Revision of Sheet No. 5; First Revision of Sheet No. 5.1 Canceling Original Sheet No. 5.1

Dear Mr. King:

The purpose of this filing is to remove the Washington Telephone Assistance Program (WTAP) from the Company's tariff. It was only recently learned that the new state biennial budget does not contain funds to continue the WTAP. The effective date of the change is September 1, 2015.

However, please note that DSHS has made the decision to no longer allow new WTAP customers with the end of the program so close. That policy by DSHS has been in effect since July 1, 2015.

A copy of the customer notice is attached. The notice will be included on the bill that is mailed on or about August 1, 2015.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

RICHARD A. FINNIGAN

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Enclosure

cc: Client (via e-mail)