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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:

Hood Canal Telephone Co., Inc. - Eighth Revision of Sheet No. 103 Canceling Seventh Revision of Sheet No. 103

Dear Mr. King:

Attached you will find the above-referenced tariff sheets. The purpose of this filing is to increase the monthly Residential Exchange Access Line Service to \$18.00 from its current rate of \$16.00 (12.50%) effective May 1, 2016.

The overall annual revenue effect for the Company is an increase of \$14,304.

This filing conforms the Company's tariff to the "urban rate floor" provisions of FCC Order No. 11-161 and subsequent rules. In the course of that Order, the Federal Communications Commission adopted new rules concerning the universal service program. The effect of those rules is to penalize any company whose residential rate is less than \$18.00 on June 1, 2016. The penalty is a dollar-for-dollar reduction in universal service support for the Company's operations.

In Docket UT-151549, the Company filed financial information concerning its operations. In discussion with Commission Staff, this filing is based upon the information that the Company has filed in Docket UT-151549. As a result of using the financial information filed by the Company in Docket UT-151549, the Company believes the filing complies with the requirements of WAC 480-120-339.

The Notice to customers is attached and includes additional information concerning the

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filing. The Notice was mailed to customers on or prior to the date of this letter.

The undersigned has authority to issue and file tariff sheets on behalf of Hood Canal Telephone Co., Inc.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

RICHARD A. FINNIGAN

RAF/cs Enclosures

cc: Client (via e-mail)