



Local Telephone Services - Internet & Broadband - Long Distance
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Mr. Steven V. King
Executive Director and Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
1300 South Evergreen Park Drive SW
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Re: Docket No. UT-160971 -
Whidbey Telephone Company -
Washington Universal Communications Services Program -
WAC 480-123-130 (1)(a) through (1)(h)

On behalf of Whidbey Telephone Company ("Company"), accompanying this letter for filing by the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission are the reports and certification required by WAC 480-123-130 (1)(a) through (1)(h) with respect to funds received by the Company from the Washington Universal Communications Services Program during the calendar year 2016.

Because of the CONFIDENTIAL nature of the information set forth in portions of the accompanying Reports, including the attachments thereto, pursuant to RCW 80.04.095 and WAC 480-07-160 the Company hereby asserts a claim of confidentiality with respect thereto. The basis for this claim is that the Reports and their attachments contain valuable commercial information, including confidential marketing, cost and financial information. Accordingly, in compliance with WAC 480-07-160(3)(c), unredacted and redacted versions of those documents accompany this letter. As specified in WAC 480-07-160(3)(b)(i), all copies (both redacted and unredacted) of materials claimed to be confidential have been marked "CONFIDENTIAL PER WAC 480-07-160. The redacted versions have been marked "REDACTED." The unredacted versions have been marked "UNREDACTED," and the information thereon that is claimed to be confidential has been highlighted with grey shading.

If the Commission has any questions regarding the enclosed materials, please do not hesitate to call me at 360/321-0088.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Frank McIntyre', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Frank McIntyre
Secretary/Treasurer

Accompanying Document