July 15, 2016

Jim Chiu, President

Vertex Telecom, Inc.

980 Corporate Center Drive

Pomona, CA 91768

**RE: Application for Telecommunications registration - Docket UT-160892**

Dear Mr. Chiu:

On July 7, 2016, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) received your registration for competitive telecommunications authority. Our records show that Vertex Telecom, Inc. (Vertex) had been registered with the Commission. However, the company failed to file an annual report and pay regulatory fees. As a result, penalties were assessed in the amount of $2,100 in Docket

UT-121022. Because the company did not file the 2011 annual report nor pay the associated penalties, the Commission revoked Vertex’s authority in Docket UT-121721, effective March 27, 2013.

The commission will not grant approval of telecommunications authority with an outstanding, unpaid penalty. If this outstanding penalty is not paid, staff will recommend that the Commission dismiss your application and schedule it for hearing.

The Commission must receive payment within 20 days (August 4, 2016). Please make payment to the WUTC, P.O. Box 47250, Olympia, WA 98504-7250, and, reference Docket UT-121022. You may also contact Mr. Sean Bennett, Financial Services, at (360) 664-1157, to make payment over the phone.

If you have further questions about your registration, please contact Mr. Mike Dotson, Licensing Services, at 360-664-1223, or, by email at transportation@utc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Suzanne Stillwell

Licensing Services Manager

cc: John L. Clark, 505 Sansome Street, Ninth Floor, San Francisco, CA 94111