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Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission Executive Director and Secretary Amanda Maxwell 621 Woodland Square Loop SE Lacey, WA 98503 UTIL. AND TRANSH

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Re: Rural Telecom Experts, LLC's Registration and Competitive Classification as a Telecommunications Company-filed electronically

Dear Director Maxwell:

On behalf of my client, Rural Telecom Experts, LLC ("Rural Telecom"), please find the application and Balance Sheet for Registration and Competitive Classification as a Telecommunications Company.

Rural Telecom submits its year-end 2020 Balance Sheet containing financial information and requests confidential treatment. Rural Telecom believes that the information contained therein is confidential per WAC 480-07-160. Rural Telecom is not a publicly traded entity and considers its financial information concerning or related to its financial condition to be proprietary, confidential, and sensitive. Rural Telecom's financial information is not in the public domain and is not available to Rural Telecom's competitors. The review or use of such information by the public would place Rural Telecom at a significant competitive disadvantage or could be used by Rural Telecom's competitors to gain an unfair advantage.

If you have any questions, please contact me at the information below.

Sincerely,

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