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Carole J. Washburn
Executive Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
1300 S Evergreen Park Drive SW
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Dear Ms. Washburn:

Re: *Rulemaking Concerning Telecommunications Service (Line)
Extensions - Docket UT-073014 – SBEIS Response*

On February 22, 2008, in response to the January 10, 2008 Notice of Opportunity to Comment on Draft Rules ("Notice"), a coalition of telecommunications companies ("Coalition") that filed initial comments and a draft rule in this rulemaking proceeding, filed comments and proposed modifications to the Commission's draft rule. The Coalition includes Verizon, Qwest, CenturyTel, Embarq, TDS Telecom, Kalama-Tenino Telephone and other Member Companies of the Washington Independent Telephone Association.

The Notice also provided an opportunity for telecommunications companies to provide information concerning whether the draft rule developed by the Commission creates additional costs for the companies. The basis for the request is to assist the Commission in determining whether a Small Business Economic Impact Statement (SBEIS) is required, and if so, to assess the possible costs of the rules. The Coalition hereby notifies the Commission that it does not intend to file comments regarding the SBEIS Survey Questionnaire. In response to a request from Commission Staff, however, the Coalition would like to inform the Commission that it is not aware of any Coalition member that opposes the Commission draft rule based on SBEIS impacts.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Mark S. Reynolds'.

Mark S. Reynolds