



August 7, 2006

Ms. Carole J. Washburn, Executive Secretary Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission 1300 South Evergreen Park Drive SW Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Request for Certification Pursuant to WAC 480-123-060 and 47 C.F.R. §54.314

Dear Ms. Washburn:

Pursuant to WAC 480-123-060, Hood Canal Telephone Company ("Company") hereby requests that the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission certify that the Company has met the requirements of 47 C.F.R. §54.314 for eligibility for continued receipt of federal high-cost funds.

The certifications and reports that are specified in WAC 480-123-060, WAC 480-123-070 and WAC 480-123-080 are enclosed.

For the Commission's information, the Company runs a Lifeline informational advertisement on our local cable channel continuously, posts Lifeline/WTAP information in both the Union and Shelton offices, distributes Lifeline/WTAP information flyers when door tagging new customers, and posts Tribal Lifeline information at the tribal center and information concerning the Lifeline program is included in the tribal newsletter.

Sincerely,

Richard Buechel

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President

Enclosures

AFFIDAVIT CONTAINING CERTIFICATIONS PURSUANT TO WAC 480-123-060 AND WAC 480-123-070

- I, Richard Buechel, being of lawful age, state that I am President of Hood Canal Telephone Company ("Company"), that I am authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of the Company, and that the facts set forth in this Affidavit are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief. On this basis, I hereby certify to the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission ("Commission") for use by the Commission in providing the certification to the Federal Communications Commission and Universal Service Administrative Company required by 47 C.F.R. §54.314, as follows:
- (1) That the Company will use federal high-cost universal service fund support only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of the facilities and services for which the support is intended;
- (2) That during the 2005 calendar year, the Company met substantially the applicable service quality standard found in WAC 480-123-030(1)(h);
- (3) That during the 2005 calendar year, the Company maintained the ability to function in emergency situations under the standard found in WAC 480-123-030(1)(g), as such standard relates to functionality of wireline carriers in emergency situations; and
- (4) That during the 2005 calendar year, the Company publicized the availability of its applicable telephone assistance programs in a manner reasonably designed to reach those likely to qualify for service and in a manner which, in the Company's judgment, included advertisements likely to reach those who are not current customers of the Company within the Company's designated service area.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated this 7th day of August, 2006 at Union, Washington.

Company: Hood Canal Telephone Company

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Its: President

REPORTS AS REFERENCED IN WAC 480-123-070 AND WAC 480-123-080

Hood Canal Telephone Company (the "Company") hereby submits the following reports in accordance with WAC 480-123-070 and WAC 480-123-080.

Report 1: WAC 480-123-070(1)(a): Attached are copies of the Company's NECA-1 Reports for the calendar years 2004 and 2005, that, as of the date of the report, the Company has reported as the basis for support from the federal high-cost fund.

<u>Report 2</u>: WAC 480-123-070(1)(b): The Company reports that the investments and expenses reported under Report 1, above, benefited customers as follows:

Through the expenditure of these funds, the Company was able to continue to provide services at a level that the Company believes meets the intent set forth in 47 U.S.C. §254 of providing quality telecommunications services to customers in the service area for which the Company is designated as an ETC.² The Company has made substantial investments over the past several years which allow it to provide quality telecommunications services to its customers in its designated ETC service area. Those expenditures and investments, including those reflected in Report 1 above, generally benefit all customers receiving the federal high-cost fund supported services from the Company within its designated ETC service area. The Company has expanded its network over the past several years so that it is capable of providing access to broadband services throughout the Company's designated ETC service area. The Company offers services that are comparable to services offered in urban areas at rates that are comparable to the rates for such services in urban areas.

Report 3: WAC 480-123-070(4): The Company reports that the Company is not aware of any complaints during calendar year 2005 to the Federal Communications Commission or the Consumer Protection Division of the Office of the Attorney General of the State of Washington concerning the services provided to its customers by the Company that are either subject to the regulatory jurisdiction of the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission or among the services supported by the federal high-cost fund.³

Report 4: WAC 480-123-080(1)(b): The Company reports as follows:

As they are known to the Company at the date of this Report, the planned investment and expenses related to Washington state for the period January 1, 2006, through December 31, 2006, that the Company expects to use as a basis to request federal high-cost support

¹ It is the Company's understanding that it is not required to submit the reports described in WAC 480-123-070(2) and (3).

² The term "ETC" is used in the same sense as the term is used in Chapter 480-123 WAC.

³ The references to the services supported by the federal high-cost fund is to the services designated for support as set forth in 47 C.F.R. §54.101(a).

are expected to be relatively similar to those investments and expenses the Company has set forth in its information filed under Report 1, above, taking into account normal fluctuations in investment and expense levels. The Company expects that levels of expenses will remain relatively the same as those it experienced in calendar year 2005, subject to the effects of inflation and other commonly experienced changes in cost of labor and materials. The Company does not anticipate major adjustments in staffing levels for the relevant period. The Company's investment plans directly affecting federal high-cost supported services offered by it in its designated ETC service area do not include a major construction project at the present time. The Company expects that it will have relatively the same level of investment related to maintenance, replacement and minor upgrades of equipment and plant as occurred in calendar year 2005.

Report 5: WAC 480-123-080(2): The Company reports as follows:

As they are known to the Company at the date of this Report, the planned investment and expenses related to Washington state for the period January 1, 2007, through December 31, 2007, that the Company expects to use as a basis to request federal high-cost support are expected to be relatively similar to those investments and expenses the Company has set forth in its information filed under Report 1, above, taking into account normal fluctuations in investment and expense levels. The Company expects that levels of expenses will remain relatively the same as those it experienced in calendar year 2005. subject to the effects of inflation and other commonly experienced changes in cost of labor and materials. The Company does not anticipate major adjustments in staffing levels for the relevant period. The Company's investment plans directly affecting federal high-cost supported services offered by it in its designated ETC service area do not include a major construction project at the present time. The Company expects that it will have relatively the same level of investment related to maintenance, replacement and minor upgrades of equipment and plant as occurred in calendar year 2005. The Company has not completed its budgeting process and does not have final numbers prepared for investment and expense levels for 2007. The Company expects that the continued receipt of federal high-cost support will allow the Company to continue to provide the supported services at rates that are comparable to the rates for such services in urban areas. All customers in the Company's designated ETC service area will benefit from the expected level of support by continuing to have available to them services that are comparable to the telecommunications services offered in urban areas at rates that are comparable to the rates for such services in urban areas.

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CONTACT NAME: Dawn Thompson SST: 3 SUBSET 3

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195	ACCOUNT 3400	4,166,641	
210	ACCOUNT 4340	0 139,940	
220	NET PLANT ADJUSTMENT	•	
230	ACCOUNT 2210	1,624,167 1,059,899	
235	ACCOUNT 2220	_	
240	ACCOUNT 2230	0 1,072,821	
245	TOTAL CENTRAL OFFICE	2,132,720	
250	CKT EQUIP CAT 4.13	604,953	
255	ACCOUNT 2410	2,388,230	
260	ACCOUNT 3100 (2210)	753,769	
265	ACCOUNT 3100 (2220)	755,769	
270	ACCOUNT 3100 (2230)	762,959	
275	ACCOUNT 3100 (2210-2230)	1,516,728	
280	ACCOUNT 3100 (2410)	1,599,787	
310	ACCOUNT 4340 (2210)	53,492	
3	ACCOUNT 4340 (2220)	0	
32.	ACCOUNT 4340 (2230)	2 ⁷ ,469	
325	NET NONOCURRENT	80,961	
330	ACCOUNT 4340 (2410)	60,246	
335	ACCOUNT 6110 TOTAL	10,312	
340	ACCOUNT 6110 BENEFITS	5,625	
345	ACCOUNT 6110 RENTS	0	
350	ACCOUNT 6120 TOTAL	119,941	
355	ACCOUNT 6120 BENEFITS	7,102	
360	ACCOUNT 6120 RENTS	53,054	
365	ACCOUNT 6210 TOTAL	157,806	
370	ACCOUNT 6210 BENEFITS	31,951	
375	ACCOUNT 6210 RENTS	0	
380	ACCOUNT 6220 TOTAL	0	
385	ACCOUNT 6220 BENEFITS	0	
390	ACCOUNT 6220 RENTS	0	
395	ACCOUNT 6230 TOTAL	77,936	
400	ACCOUNT 6230 BENEFITS	13,026	
405	ACCOUNT 6230 RENTS	0	
410	ACCOUNT 6210-6230	235,742	
430	ACCOUNT 6410 TOTAL	174,577	
435	ACCOUNT 6410 BENEFITS	33,142	
440	ACCOUNT 6410 RENTS	0	
445	TOTAL PLANT SPECIFIC	540,572	
450	ACCOUNT 6530 TOTAL	47,471	
455	ACCOUNT 6530 BENEFITS	14,544	
510	ACCOUNT 6560 (2210)	96,379	
51-	ACCOUNT 6560 (2220)	0	
5	ACCOUNT 6560 (2230)	102,028	
525	ACCOUNT 6560 (2210-2230)	198,407	
530	ACCOUNT 6560 (2410)	127,612	
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5 65	SUM OF LINES 535 + 550	462,943
600	BEN. POR.OF ALL OP. EXP.	226,891
610	RENT POR. OF ALL OP. EXP	53,054
650	ACCOUNT 7200 OTHER TAXES	33,303
700	2410 (C S TOTAL CWF - AV)	2,315,480
710	2410 (C S CWF - CAT.1)	2,095,742
800	ACCOUNT 2680 TOTAL	0
805	ACCOUNT 2680 (2230)	0
810	ACCOUNT 2680 (CAT. 4.13)	0
8 15	ACC 2680 (2410) TOTAL CWF	0
820	ACC 2680 (2410)CWF-CAT1	0
830	ACCOUNT 6560 (2680)	0

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170	ACCOUNT 1220	23,268	EC
190	ACCOUNT 3100	4,520,851	EC
195	ACCOUNT 3400	0	EC
210	ACCOUNT 4340	106,835	EC
220	NET PLANT INVESTMENT	1,317,819	EC
230	ACCOUNT 2210	1,026,469	EC
235	ACCOUNT 2220	0	EC
240	ACCOUNT 2230	1,098,279	EC
245	TOTAL CENTRAL OFFICE	2,124,748	EC
250	CKT EQUIP CAT 4.13	620,438	EC
2 55	ACCOUNT 2410	2,430,341	EC
260	ACCOUNT 3100 (2210)	819,399	EC
2 65	ACCOUNT 3100 (2220)	0	EC
270	ACCOUNT 3100 (2230)	876,724	EC
27 5	ACCOUNT 3100 (2210-2230)	1,696,123	EC
280	ACCOUNT 3100 (2410)	1,747,216	EC
310	ACCOUNT 4340 (2210)	34,225	EC
3-	ACCOUNT 4340 (2220)	0	EC
3.	ACCOUNT 4340 (2230)	31,634	EC
325	NET NONOCURRENT	65,859	EC
330	ACCOUNT 4340 (2410)	47,484	EC
335	ACCOUNT 6110 TOTAL	13,687	EC
340	ACCOUNT 6110 BENEFITS	3,906	EC
345	ACCOUNT 6110 RENTS	0	EC
350	ACCOUNT 6120 TOTAL	114,456	EC
355	ACCOUNT 6120 BENEFITS	5,523	EC
360	ACCOUNT 6120 RENTS	55,077	EC
365 370	ACCOUNT 6210 TOTAL	189,761	EC
37 5	ACCOUNT 6210 BENEFITS ACCOUNT 6210 RENTS	35,729	EC
380	ACCOUNT 6210 RENTS ACCOUNT 6220 TOTAL	0	EC
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390	ACCOUNT 6220 RENTS	0 0	EC
395	ACCOUNT 6230 TOTAL	81,916	EC EC
400	ACCOUNT 6230 BENEFITS	12,721	EC
405	ACCOUNT 6230 RENTS	12,721	EC
410	ACCOUNT 6210-6230	271,677	EC
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435	ACCOUNT 6410 BENEFITS	26,919	EC
440	ACCOUNT 6410 RENTS	0	EC
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450	ACCOUNT 6530 TOTAL	51,917	EC
455	ACCOUNT 6530 BENEFITS	12,776	EC
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DESCRIPTION PENDING VIEW SOURCE

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5 50	ACCOUNT 6720 TOTAL	262,821	EC
5 55	ACCOUNT 6720 BENEFITS	28,833	EC
5 65	SUM OF LINES 535 + 550	438,454	EC
600	BEN. POR.OF ALL OP. EXP.	222,754	EC
610	RENT POR. OF ALL OP. EXP	55,077	EC
650	ACCOUNT 7200 OTHER TAXES	35,014	EC
70 0	2410 (C S TOTAL CWF - AV)	2,409,285	EC
710	2410 (C S CWF - CAT.1)	2,051,567	EC
800	ACCOUNT 2680 TOTAL	0	EC
805	ACCOUNT 2680 (2230)	0	EC
810	ACCOUNT 2680 (CAT. 4.13)	0	EC
815	ACC 2680 (2410) TOTAL CWF	0	EC
820	ACC 2680 (2410) CWF-CAT1	0	EC
830	ACCOUNT 6560 (2680)	0	EC
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