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Re: OAR 860-034-0390 (16) (d) petition for exemption from certain service quality reporting requirements.

On behalf of it's member companies Cascade Utilities, Inc., Malheur Home Telephone, Mt. Angel Telephone, Nehalem Telecommunications, Inc., Oregon Telephone Corporation and People's Telephone, hereinafter referred to as the companies, the Oregon Telecommunications Association (OTA) files this petition for exemption of certain service quality reporting requirements in accordance with the provisions of OAR 860-034-0390 (16) (d).

The OTA is filing this petition on behalf of the companies collectively in order to avoid duplicative filings for the companies individually. Management of each individual company understands it is responsible for the administration of their own separate monthly service quality tracking and record keeping.

The service quality reporting requirements that are the subject of this petition are described in the following Oregon Administrative Rules:

860-034-0390 (4) Provisioning and Held Orders for Lack of Facilities 860-034-0390 (5) Trouble Reports 860-034-0390 (6) Repair Clearing Time 860-034-0390 (7) Blocked Calls

OAR 860-034-0390 (16) (d) indicates that if a small telecommunications utility meets the objective service quality standards of the above mentioned rules for the period of twelve months prior to the month in which the petition is filed, then the Commission may grant that small telecommunications utility's petition for exemption of the related monthly reporting requirement.

Over the prior twelve months, the companies have met or exceeded the required objective service quality standards. By this petition, the companies respectfully request exemption from the monthly reporting requirement related to each of the Oregon Administrative Rules mentioned above.

The companies recognize and understand that they must individually continue to meet the objective service quality standards that are the subject of this petition. The companies further understand that they must continue to retain internal records as indicated by each of the rules that are the subject of this petition and that those records may be subject to audit.

The companies recognize and understand that if for any reason they fail to individually consistently meet the objective service quality standards that are the subject of this petition, the Commission may revoke their exempt status.

Thank you for your consideration of this petition. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (503) 581-7430.

Respectfully

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