

July 9, 2008

Public Utility Commission of Oregon
Attn: Filing Center
PO Box 2148
Salem, OR 97308-2148

RE: Docket UM 1375

Dear Filing Center:

On behalf of Colton Telephone Company, enclosed please find the original and two (2) copies of its Annual Recertification Reports for ETC's in Oregon. This information was also filed electronically through the PUC Filing Center on July 9, 2008.

If you have any questions, please contact me at stephanie@coltontel.com or 503-824-5863.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Sauvageau
Accountant
Colton Telephone Company

Enclosure

DOCKET NO. UM 1375

**Required Cover Sheet for Submission of
2008 Annual ETC Recertification Reports**

Filing Deadline: Tuesday, July 15, 2008

Name of Eligible Telecommunications Carrier: Colton Telephone Company

Filing date: 7/9/2008

Is this: Original submission? X

OR

Revised submission? _____ If revised, please identify which reports
are being revised _____

Person to contact for questions:

Name Stephanie Sauvageau

Phone number 503-824-5863

E-mail address stephanie@coltontel.com

Filing instructions: Please file reports under Docket No. UM 1375. File reports electronically via the PUC Filing Center; see the PUC website for instructions. Also send one original and 2 hard copies to the PUC Filing Center. If selected portions of reports, e.g., network improvement plans, are to receive confidential treatment, those portions should not be filed electronically. Hard copies of confidential material should be filed in accordance with confidential designation requirements described in OAR 860-011-0080. Regular delivery methods may be used to send all hard copy documents; overnight or express delivery is not necessary. Send documents to the Filing Center using one of the two following addresses, depending on the delivery carrier used:

For US mail: Public Utility Commission of Oregon
Attn: Filing Center
PO Box 2148
Salem, OR 97308-2148

For other carriers: Public Utility Commission of Oregon
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550 Capitol St. NE #215
Salem, OR 97308-2148

If you have any questions on these reports, please call Kay Marinos at 503-378-6730, or Celeste Hari at 503-378-6628.

2008 Annual Recertification Reports for ETCs in Oregon

Docket No. UM 1375

Report Formats to Satisfy Requirements of Order No. 06-292 for 2008

Report #1 Supported Services Offerings

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Report #1 – Supported Services Offerings

1.1. Basic Local Usage Service Offerings – All ETCs

Choose **either A. or B.** below, as applicable:

A. Basic local usage service offerings are filed under tariff with the Oregon PUC. The specific tariff references (with *company name, tariff number, section and page numbers*) for the basic local usage offerings and corresponding rates are:

1. residence:

2. business:

B. Basic local usage service offerings are **not** filed under tariff with the Oregon PUC. Submit the following information for each basic service offering that includes local usage allowances (unlimited or limited): 1) plan’s name, 2) advertised public description, 3) number of local minutes included, 4) calling area included, and 5) rates and charges. Include basic offerings for both residence and business services. Attachment 1 contains details of local usage service offerings.

1.2. Comparable Local Usage Plan – CETCs only

The carrier certifies that it offers at least one basic local usage plan that is comparable to those offered by the ILECs in its designated service area: yes no

Identify which of the plans in 1.1.B above are “comparable” to the ILEC local usage offerings, and explain the basis for the comparability. _____

1.3. Supported Services Not Provided – CETCs only

Identify any supported services that were not available at designation, but were to be provided as a condition of ETC designation (e.g., toll restriction for qualifying low-income consumers, E911): _____

Are these services provided currently? yes no

If no, explain why not: _____

1.4. Equal Access Acknowledgement – CETCs only

The carrier acknowledges that it may be required to provide equal access if it is the only remaining ETC in an area: yes no

Report #2 – Unfulfilled Service Requests

2.1. Unfulfilled Service Requests/Held Orders – All ETCs

Choose **either A. or B.** below, as applicable:

- A. ___ Service quality reports for “primary held orders over 30 days” were filed with the Oregon PUC for calendar year 2007. No additional submission is required for recertification purposes.
- B. X Service quality reports for “primary held orders over 30 days” were **not** filed with the Oregon PUC for calendar year 2007. In this case, choose **one** of the following alternatives for reporting:
1. X The number of customer requests for supported services that were not fulfilled during calendar year 2007: 0 .
If greater than zero, include an attachment noting for each such request, the location (address) of the request and a description of attempts to provide service.
 2. ___ The number of “primary held orders over 30 days” (as defined in Section 860-034-0390 of the Oregon Commission rules) for calendar year 2007: .
If greater than zero, include attachment noting for each such held order, the reason the order was held and the original commitment date.

2.2. Service Request Processing - CETCs only

Submit a description of how the carrier ensures that every request for service that cannot be immediately fulfilled is recorded and processed under the 6-step process set forth in 47 CFR Section 54.202(a)(1)(i).

Report #3 – Evidence of Advertising for Basic Supported Services (excluding low-income/lifeline) – All ETCs

Describe how basic supported services were advertised during calendar year 2007 throughout the designated service area. List the types of media used, advertising frequencies and geographic coverage. Attach examples of actual advertisements, noting dates, specific distribution methods, and target geographical populations, sufficient to demonstrate that basic supported services and rates were advertised **throughout** the designated service area in 2007.

Colton Telephone Advertises basic supported services through the local phone directory and on the company website as detailed below.

North Willamette Valley Phone Directory

Printed Annually

Geographic Coverage includes the Colton Wire Center and virtually all neighboring telephone wire centers.

The Directory is distributed annually to all Colton Telephone customers by postal mail and is available to anyone upon request at the business office.

This advertisement does not include rate information.

Attachment 2 is a copy of the actual advertisement.

Colton Telephone Website – www.colton.com

Continually available to anyone with access to the Internet. This address is printed on virtually all of our company advertising.

Geographic coverage is unlimited.

The target population is anyone who currently resides in Colton, OR, or who is moving or considering moving to the area.

Rate information is included on the website.

Attachment 2A is a printed page from the website.

Report #4 – Low-income Services – All ETCs

4.1. Number of Lifeline Customers – All ETCs

The total number of customers receiving Lifeline discounts during the month of December 2007 in the designated service area: ____16__.

CETCs only - also list counts by ILEC service area as follows:

<u>ILEC Svc Area</u>	<u>No. of Lifeline customers</u>
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

4.2. Advertising of Low-Income Program Service Offerings – All ETCs

Submit copies of all advertisements (for all media) for Lifeline, LinkUp, and OTAP service offerings that were run during calendar year 2007, noting media (newspaper name, radio station, bill inserts, internet postings, etc.), run/distribution dates, and geographic coverage area.

Colton Telephone promotes Lifeline, LinkUp and OTAP services in the following manner.

Brochures available in the Colton Telephone business office.

Brochures are continually available to anyone who visits the business office. This brochure is periodically posted on the bulletin board outside of the business office and also distributed to each of the local schools in the fall of each year. See Attachment 3

Printed Information in the North Willamette Valley Directory

The directory is printed annually in June and is mailed to all Colton Telephone subscribers and also available in the business office. See Attachment 3A

Fact Sheet included with new all customer application packages.

See Attachment 3B

An information sheet is included on the company website at www.colton.com and included at least annually as a bill insert to all customers.

See Attachment 3C

Report #5 – Outage Report – All ETCs

Choose either A. or B. below, as applicable:

A. ____ Carrier was required to report service outages (as defined in Oregon PUC Rules at Sections 860-034-0390(9) for small telecom utilities, 860-023-0055(9) for large telecom utilities, and 860-032-0012(9) for competitive telecom providers) to the Oregon PUC during year 2007. No additional submission is required for recertification purposes.

B. X Carrier was *not* required to report service outages (as defined in Oregon PUC Rules at Sections 860-034-0390(9) for small telecom utilities, 860-023-0055(9) for large telecom utilities, and 860-032-0012(9) for competitive telecom providers) to the Oregon PUC during year 2007. Select #1 (wireline carriers) or #2 (wireless carriers) below.

1. X The number of service outages, as defined in Oregon PUC rules, that occurred during calendar year 2007 was 1.

If the number was greater than zero, attach a report that lists for each such outage the following: the date and time of onset, a brief description of the outage and its resolution, the particular services affected, the geographic areas affected, steps taken to prevent a similar future occurrence, and the number of customers affected.

See Attachment 4

2. ____ The number of service outages, as defined in FCC rules at 47 CFR Section 54.209(a)(2), that occurred during calendar year 2007 was _____.

If the number was greater than zero, attach a report that lists for each such outage the following: the date and time of onset, a brief description of the outage and its resolution, the particular services affected, the geographic areas affected, steps taken to prevent a similar future occurrence, and the number of customers affected.

Report #6 – Trouble Report – All ETCs

Choose **either A. or B.** below, as appropriate:

A. ____ Trouble reports were filed with the Oregon PUC for calendar year 2007 per Oregon PUC service quality rules. No additional submission is required for recertification purposes.

B. X Trouble reports were **not** filed with the Oregon PUC during calendar year 2007. In this case, choose **one** of the following alternatives for reporting:

1. ____ The average monthly number of customer trouble reports received per 100 wireless handsets for supported services during calendar year 2007, for each company switch.

<u>Trouble Type</u>	<u>Switch A (location)</u>	<u>Switch B (location)</u>
No service	_____	_____
Network busy	_____	_____
Interruption of service	_____	_____
Poor reception	_____	_____

2. X The average monthly number of customer trouble reports, as defined in Section 860-034-0390 (5) of the Oregon PUC rules, per 100 access lines, received during calendar year 2007: less than 1 per month, per 100 working access lines.

This information for 2007 was tracked by three classifications; trouble reports which resulted from an issue with customer owned equipment, trouble report where no trouble was found with telephone company equipment or service and trouble reports which could be applicable to Colton Telephone Company. In the entire year of 2007 there were 66 trouble reports in the last category and an average of 1117 working access lines in any given month. This averages to 5.5 reports per month per 1117 access lines, or .49 reports per 100 lines. Colton Telephone feels that the number of trouble reports is insignificant enough that further research to determine the exact number would be over burdensome and would not provide any additional meaningful information to the Commission.

Report #7 – Network Improvement Plan – CETCs Only

Per Docket No. UM 1217, Order No. 06-292, competitive ETCs (CETCs) must file network improvement plans annually for recertification purposes. Appendix A of the order details the information that must be included in such plans. Only CETCs must file these plans for annual recertification purposes; ILECs are not required to file such plans. CETCs that receive *only* low-income program support (no high-cost or access-related support) do not have to file network improvement plans. CETCs are strongly encouraged to use the template in the attached Excel worksheets for their network improvement plans. This template incorporates all the items of information required by the order.

Report #8 – Special Commitments/Requirements – CETCs only

Did the Oregon PUC impose any special commitments or requirements at initial designation or during the previous annual recertification process? yes ____ no ____.

If yes, identify the commitments or requirements and explain if, and how, they have been met.

Report #9 – Certifications - All ETCs

9.1. IAS or ICLS Certification Copy – All ETCs Receiving IAS and/or ICLS

All ETCs receiving interstate access-related support (IAS or ICLS) must submit a copy of the certification for the use of IAS or ICLS support that was sent to USAC and the FCC in June 2008.

Submitted as Attachment.

9.2. Certification of Use of Universal Service Funds – All ETCs receiving HCL and/or LSS (Rural ILECs and CETCs Designated in Rural ILEC Areas)

To continue receiving traditional high cost support (HCL, LSS), ETCs must submit a notarized affidavit signed by a responsible company official certifying that the carrier will use the high cost support funds only for the intended purposes. Use of the sample affidavit form displayed on the following page is recommended.

Submitted as Attachment.

9.3. Certification of Emergency Functionality and Compliance with Service Quality and Consumer Protection Measures – All ETCs

Each ETC must submit a notarized affidavit signed by a responsible company official certifying that the carrier: 1) is able to remain functional in an emergency, and 2) is complying with all service quality and consumer protection measures in either the applicable Oregon Commission rules (for wireline carriers), the CTIA Consumer Code (for wireless carriers), or some other specific set of standards. All ETCs must submit this affidavit. A copy of an acceptable affidavit form follows the affidavit for high cost support.

Submitted as Attachment.

AFFIDAVIT CERTIFYING USE OF UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUNDS

I, Peggy Turner, being of lawful age and duly sworn, on my oath, state that I am the General Manager [an officer] of Colton Telephone Company (“Company”) and that I am authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of the Company, and the facts set forth in this Affidavit are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Pursuant to the rules of the Federal Communications Commission, 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, there must be annual certification that funds received under the federal Universal Service Fund programs will be used only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended. The Company hereby certifies to the Public Utility Commission of Oregon that pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.7, and for purposes of the certification required under 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, the company will use all federal high-cost support provided to it only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, consistent with the principles of universal service set forth in 47 U.S.C. 254. This includes, but is not limited to, trying to meet the goal of the provision of services that are properly supported by the high-cost funds at rates that are reasonably comparable to rates charged for similar services in urban areas.

DATED this _____ day of _____, 2008.

____ Colton Telephone Company _____ (Company)

By: _____ (Name)

Its: __ General Manager _____ (Title)

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this ____ day of _____, 2008.

Notary public in and for the State of Oregon

My Commission Expires: _____

AFFIDAVIT CERTIFYING EMERGENCY FUNCTIONALITY AND COMPLIANCE WITH SERVICE QUALITY AND CONSUMER PROTECTION MEASURES

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- 1) is able to remain functional in emergencies, and,
- 2) complies with service quality and consumer protection measures in (check one):

applicable Oregon Commission rules, or
 the CTIA Consumer Code for Wireless Carriers, or
 other (describe and explain conformance with requirements of Order No. 06-292): _____

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June 2, 2008

To: Office of the Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Karen Majcher
Vice President – High Cost & Low Income Division
Universal Service Administrative Company
2000 L Street, N.W., Suite 200
Washington, D.C. 20036

Re: **Interstate Common Line Support - ICLS**
Annual Certification Filing
CC Docket No. 96-45

This is to certify that **Colton Telephone Company** will use its **Interstate Common Line Support** only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and service for which the support is intended.

I am authorized to make this certification on behalf of the company named above. This certification is for the study area(s) listed below:

Company Name	State	Study Area Code
Colton Telephone Company	OR	532364

 Date: 6/2/08
[Signature of Authorized Representative]

Peggy S. Turner
[Printed Name of Authorized Representative]

General Manager
[Title of Authorized Representative]

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DATED this 27th day of May, 2008.

Colton Telephone Company (Company)

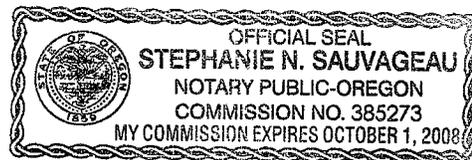
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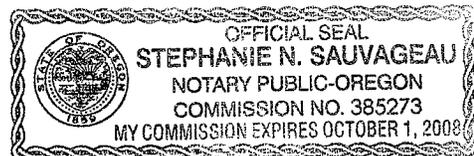
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Report #5 – Attachment 4

Date/Time: Thursday, September 13th, 2007 just before noon.

Description: A fiber optic cable was cut near Albany. This was a major outage affecting some Qwest and Century offices along with Colton Telephone Company. Many phone companies lost calling areas both Toll and EAS. Colton was able to complete EAS calls to some local areas including Canby and Molalla but not the Portland area. The Western Independent Network (WIN) group, which provides SS7 service to Colton Telephone, could not provide redundant paths, which was the cause of the service outage. The E9-1-1 service was routed to the local fire station in case of emergency and after hour service calls were routed to an employee's home. Around 11:45pm the Plant Supervisor contacted the Central Office technician at home. The CO technician gained remote access the switch and routed the E9-1-1 service back to their proper route. He also routed after hour service calls back to the call center.

Geographic Area: Widespread throughout the Willamette Valley and Portland area.

Steps taken to prevent a future occurrence: Colton Telephone has been notified by Western Independent Networks (WIN) that there is now a redundant route in place and a similar fiber cut would not be service affecting.

Number of customers affected: Approximately 1107 access lines; the entire customer base of Colton Telephone Company.