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**VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL AND U.S. MAIL**

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

Re: Oregon Telecommunications Association, Cascade Utilities, Inc.  
d/b/a Reliance Connects and Clear Creek Mutual Telephone  
Company Petition for Declaratory Ruling

Dear Sir/Madam:

The purpose of this letter is to withdraw the above-referenced Petition for Declaratory Ruling ("Petition"). After reviewing the submission from Comcast Phone of Oregon, LLC ("Comcast") in this matter, in particular Comcast's statement in Footnote 4 that Comcast has no plan to arbitrate with either Cascade Utilities, Inc. d/b/a Reliance Connects ("Reliance") or Clear Creek Mutual Telephone Company ("Clear Creek"), the parties submitting the Petition sought clarification of Comcast's intent.

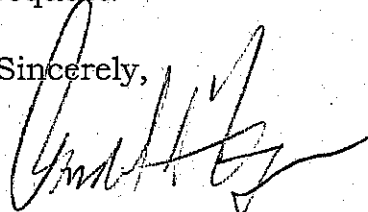
Based upon the clarifications received from Comcast, it does not appear that there is a present controversy. Thus, in the interest of conserving all parties' resources and the resources of the Commission, OTA, Reliance and Clear Creek respectfully request that the Petition be withdrawn. If a controversy develops in the future, OTA, Reliance Connects and Clear Creek reserve the right to re-file the Petition or some variation thereof.

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However, it is hoped that proceedings on similar issues in other states that are presently ongoing will provide some clarification of the issues that are presented in the Petition and it will not be necessary in the future to re-file the Petition or a variant of the Petition.

Thank you for your attention to this request.

Sincerely,



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