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

Re:

UM 1481 - Oregon Telecommunications Association Data

Regarding Local Rates

Dear Sir/Madam:

On the issue of data development, OTA has been reviewing some of the information it provided to the Commission on July 19, 2010. Specifically, it appears that there is a need to revise the charts related to the intercarrier compensation transition. Enclosed you will find two revised tables.

Those data sets have been improved in three ways. First, the column containing the starting point of local rates has been modified to add in the \$6.50 Subscriber Line Charge that companies assess so that the tables show a starting and ending point that include the same items. Second, in the tables related to transition of the intrastate switched access rates to the interstate switched access minute of use rate level, the original numbers were developed based on each company's own access minutes. However, all intrastate switched access revenue for OTA's members are pooled in a voluntary pooling arrangement overseen by the Oregon Exchange Carrier Association. The effect of the pool distributions was not taken into account in the original data. Thus, the table filed on July 19, 2010, understated the local rate effect for pool recipients. The effect of pool distributions is now taken into account. Third, in calculating the transition to a "0" access rate, the table in the filing of July 19, 2010, did not take into account the interstate access revenues. That table was

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premised solely on intrastate access revenue decreases. That deficiency has been corrected.

As demonstrated on Table 1, moving OTA members' intrastate switched access rates to the composite interstate switched access minute of use rate level produces potential local rates of up to \$70 per month if there is no additional support mechanism. Four companies would have monthly local rates in excess of \$50. Every OTA company would have local service rates exceeding \$30 per month. These rates exceed what would be "reasonably comparable" rates for basic local service.

In Table 2, the effects of moving to a "0" access rate is portrayed. As can be quickly seen, the level of local service rates become very, very high, exceeding \$100 per month in some areas and \$200 per month for one company. This demonstrates that intercarrier compensation reform cannot occur in a vacuum. The resulting rates would violate the standards of Section 254.

Please keep in mind that these numbers focus <u>only</u> on intercarrier compensation. The tables assume that the same level of support from existing universal service mechanisms remains in place. The local rates would be much higher if the universal service mechanisms are removed and are not replaced with an equivalent level of support.

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Table 1
OTA ILEC MEMBERS

EFFECT OF TRANSITION OF INTRASTATE SWITCHED ACCESS RATES TO COMPOSITE INTERSTATE SWITCHED RATE LEVEL

Company	Current Rate*	Post Transition
		Rate
Asotin	\$18.75	\$32.52
Beaver Creek	\$30.50	\$33.04
Canby	\$30.58	\$33.43
Cascade	\$33.89/\$30.24	\$37.81/\$34.16
Clear Creek	\$32.87	\$35.47
ColtonTel	\$44.35	\$50.08
Eagle	\$18.10	\$37.77
Gervais	\$34.45	\$40.78
Helix	\$22.17-\$26.17	\$28.29-\$32.29
Home	\$23.05	\$35.92
Molalla	\$34.45	\$36.00
Monitor	\$23.15	\$57.84
Monroe	\$30.08	\$38.93
Mt. Angel	\$24.50	\$35.08
Nehalem	\$19.50	\$34.69
North-State	\$33.30	\$52.66
OR-Idaho	\$18.15-\$26.55	\$37.96-\$46.26
Oregon Tel	\$29.00	\$63.24
People's	\$29.40	\$41.85
Pine	\$16.50	\$70.55
Pioneer	\$22.95	\$30.62
Roome	\$33.50/\$36.50	\$42.26/\$45.26
St. Paul	\$27.35	\$37.56
Scio	\$29.65-\$31.00	\$42.72-\$44.07
Stayton	\$24.99	\$32.00
Trans-Cascades	\$28.62	\$38.72

^{*}Taken from company tariffs and pricing schedules for residential rates including EAS and existing \$6.50 subscriber line charge (SLC).

Table 2

OTA ILEC MEMBERS EFFECT OF TRANSITION OF SWITCHED ACCESS RATES TO "0" RATE

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Company	Existing Local Rate* (w/EAS)	Rate After Transition
Asotin	\$18.75	\$61.90
Beaver Creek	\$30.50	\$43.51
Canby	\$30.58	\$47.00
Cascade	\$33.89/\$30.24	\$70.36/\$66.71
Clear Creek	\$32.87	\$49.08
ColtonTel	\$44.35	\$96.14
Eagle	\$18.10	\$63.74
Gervais	\$34.45	\$78.08
Helix	\$22.17-\$26.17	\$229.04-\$233.04
Home	\$23.05	\$60.05
Molalla	\$34.45	\$47.70
Monitor	\$23.15	\$104.97
Monroe	\$30.08	\$45.58
Mt. Angel	\$24.50	\$53.52
Nehalem	\$19.50	\$36.94
North-State	\$33.30	\$114.07
OR-Idaho	\$18.15-\$26.55	\$68.80-\$77.20
Oregon Tel	\$29.00	\$92.24
People's	\$29.40	\$120.02
Pine	\$16.50	\$102.01
Pioneer	\$22.95	\$51.86
Roome	\$33.50/\$36.50	\$108.39/\$111.39
St. Paul	\$27.35	\$79.03
Scio	\$29.65-\$31.00	\$52.85-\$54.20
Stayton	\$24.99	\$70.60
Trans-Cascades	\$28.62	\$58.84

^{*}Residential Rate including EAS and existing SLC at \$6.50 per month

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