

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

AR 604

In the Matter of

THE OREGON
TELECOMMUNICATIONS
ASSOCIATION

Petition to Amend OAR 860-032-0190,
Definition of Basic Telephone Service to
Include Access to Broadband Service.

INVITATION
TO COMMENT

On September 9, 2016, the Oregon Telecommunications Association (OTA) filed a Petition to Amend the Definition of Basic Telephone Service in OAR 860-032-0190 to Include Access to Broadband Service. You may view the petition online in docket AR 604 at <http://edocs.puc.state.or.us/efdocs/HAA/haa91235.pdf>. OTA filed the request under ORS 183.390, which permits any interested person to petition an agency to adopt, amend, or repeal a rule.

As required by ORS 183.390 and OAR 137-001-0070, the Commission invites public comment on OTA's petition for rulemaking.

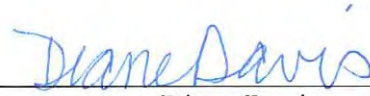
In its review of the petition, the Commission will consider six criteria:

- (1) The continued need for the rule;
- (2) The nature of comments or complaints concerning the rule from the public;
- (3) The complexity of the rule;
- (4) The extent to which the rule overlaps, duplicates, or conflicts with other state rules or federal regulations and to the extent feasible, with local government regulation;
- (5) The degree to which technology, economic conditions, or other factors have changed in the subject area affected by the rule; and
- (6) The legal basis for the rule.

Interested persons are invited to file comments on any of the six criteria and, specifically, whether there are options for achieving the substantive goals of the rule in a way that reduces negative economic impact on businesses. Comments are due by 5:00 p.m. on September 23, 2016.

Please submit comments in a text-searchable pdf or Word document attached to an email addressed to puc.filingcenter@state.or.us. Please reference AR 604 in the subject line of your email.

Dated this 9th day of September, 2016, at Salem, Oregon.



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