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

Filing Center  
Oregon Public Utility Commission  
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Re: UM 1204 – Motion for Protective Order

Dear Sir/Madam:

This letter is filed on behalf of Beaver Creek Cooperative Telephone Company (“BCT”) in support of its Motion for Protective Order in this cause. It has been requested that BCT provide more detailed information as to the need for a protective order.

The need for a protective order is triggered, in part, because of the desire of Commission Staff to do an audit of certain records of BCT as they may relate to this docket and other issues. As a result of that audit process, critical financial and operational information concerning BCT will be made available to Commission Staff. If that information was made publicly available, it would potentially cause great harm to BCT by providing actual and potential competitors with information that the competitors could use to their benefit and BCT’s detriment. In addition, the proprietary and confidential financial and operating information concerning BCT, if disclosed to the general public, would be prejudicial and detrimental to the financial interests of BCT and its members.

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Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

/s/ Richard A. Finnigan

RICHARD A. FINNIGAN

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