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RE: UM 1481 - Investigation of the Oregon Universal Service Fund
Response to Bench Request #5

Dear Commission:

Enclosed for filing please find the Warm Springs Telecommunications Company response to Bench Request #5. Hard copies will follow by mail

Thank you for your concern in this matter.

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**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UM 1481

In the Matter of)	
)	WARM SPRINGS TELECOM'S
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF)	RESPONSE TO BENCH
OREGON)	REQUEST NO. 5
)	
Investigation into the Oregon Universal)	
Service Fund.)	
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Warm Springs Telecommunications Incorporated, (WST) a wholly owned enterprise of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs in Oregon, hereby submits this response to Bench Request No. 5 in the above-referenced docket.

BENCH REQUEST

For all parties:

5. For each OUSF-supported exchange: all non-ILEC providers of terrestrial-based broadband services, including, but not limited to, cable and wireless providers.
 - a. For each such provider, information as to whether it offers telephony services over those facilities.
 - b. For each such provider, whether such telephony services are offered over its own facilities or via resale of ILEC-provided facilities.
 - c. For each such provider, the market penetration of broadband services.

RESPONSE

WST Response:

WST is a CLEC/ETC serving only the Warm Springs Wire Center in the Madras exchange.

The company initially received an **American Recovery and Reinvestment Act** (ARRA) Broadband Initiatives Program (BIP) award in the summer of 2010 to build a broadband network throughout the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs Reservation. To date, approximately 75% of the network has been constructed. WST now serves about 80% of the local residents with both POTS lines and Broadband. WST is committed to serving everyone on the Reservation. It serves local businesses, government agencies and tribal administration with fiber and fixed wireless connections to the premise.

When WST began, this Reservation had limited basic telephone service and very limited broadband. Since then, the company has built one network with both basic telephone service and broadband Internet. The network is configured so that every residence has one line to each home. The fixed wireless service is received by antenna at the home and then is split into two connections; one line is connected to copper cabling for the POTS service while the other line is connected to an Ethernet cable for Broadband service.

In Response to the Bench Request, #5:

- a. WST offers telephony services over its own facilities. We do not resell ILEC services.

- b. All residential lines are provisioned with traditional switched service. These lines receive Oregon Universal Service Funding. Most business services are delivered by Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) and do not receive OUSF.

- c. Approximately 95% of all residential customers are both telephony and Broadband customers. If requested, WST can provide confidential information to the OPUC at a later date.

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