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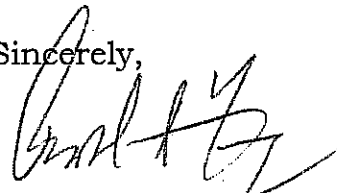
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Re: UM 1017(3) – Petition to Intervene

Dear Sir/Madam:

Enclosed are the original and one copy of a Petition to Intervene for the Oregon Exchange Carrier Association and Certificate of Service.

Sincerely,



RICHARD A. FINNIGAN

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Enclosures

cc: Service List (via e-mail and U.S. mail)
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Member Companies (via e-mail)

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

DOCKET NO. UM 1017(3)

In the Matter of

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF
OREGON

PETITION TO INTERVENE

Investigation into Expansion of the Oregon
Universal Service Fund to Include the
Service Areas of Rural
Telecommunications Carriers

NAME OF PETITIONER: Oregon Exchange Carrier Association

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IF THE PETITIONER IS AN ORGANIZATION, THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN
AND THE PURPOSES OF THE ORGANIZATION:

Twenty-six. OECA is a nonprofit corporation which manages the intrastate access pools and tariffs for most incumbent local exchange companies in Oregon.

NATURE AND EXTENT OF THE PETITIONER'S INTEREST IN THE
PROCEEDINGS:

Petitioner is appearing on behalf of its members, which primarily are made up of the incumbent local exchange companies serving in the state of Oregon.

THE ISSUES THE PETITIONER INTENDS TO RAISE AT THE PROCEEDINGS:

Petitioner will raise only those issues that are directly related to the issues raised in this matter.

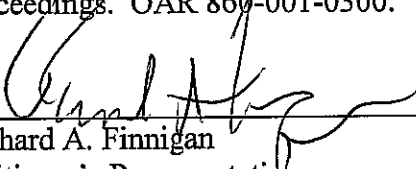
PETITIONER'S SPECIAL KNOWLEDGE OR EXPERTISE, IF ANY, THAT WOULD ASSIST THE COMMISSION IN RESOLVING THE ISSUES IN THE PROCEEDINGS:

Petitioner's member companies are very familiar with issues related to universal service. Petitioner's member companies will be directly affected by this docket.

NAMES, ELECTRONIC ADDRESSES, TELEPHONE NUMBERS, AND PHYSICAL ADDRESSES OF THE REPRESENTATIVES THAT PETITIONER WOULD LIKE ADDED TO THE SERVICE LIST IN THIS DOCKET:

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Based on the information provided above in accordance with the Commission's rules of procedure, I request to participate in these proceedings as a party. I or the organization that I represent will not unreasonably broaden the issues, burden the record, or delay the proceedings. OAR 860-001-0300.


Richard A. Finnigan
Petitioner's Representative

May 31, 2011

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE
UM 1017(3)**

I certify that I have this day sent the attached Petition to Intervene for the Oregon Exchange Carrier Association by electronic mail and U.S. mail to the following:

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I further certify that I have this day sent the attached Petition to Intervene for the Oregon Exchange Carrier Association by electronic mail pursuant to OAR 860-013-0070, unless otherwise noted, to the following parties or attorneys of parties:

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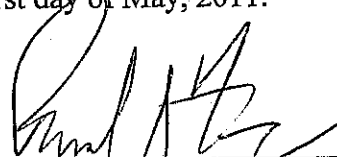
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