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Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

RE: ACS of Alaska, LLC Notice of Network Changes involving Copper

Retirement pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 51.332, Disclosure No.

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to Section 51.332 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 51.332, ACS of Alaska, LLC hereby submits the attached Public Notice of Retirement of Copper Feeder Under Section 51.332 of the Commission's rules.

This filing is being made through the FCC's Electronic Comment Filing System.

Please contact me at 907.297.3130 if you have any questions concerning this matter.

Sincerely,

Lisa Phillips

Manager, Regulatory Affairs

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Attachments



Public Notice of Network Change under Rule 51.332 ACS of Alaska, LLC's Internet address: http://www.acsalaska.com

August 26, 2016

RE: Network Change Notification

<u>Carrier</u>: ACS of Alaska, LLC d/b/a Alaska Communications, 600 Telephone Ave., Anchorage, Alaska 99503

Implementation Date:

This network change has been scheduled for March 1, 2017.

Description of the Planned Network Change:

Alaska Communications will be installing a new fiber fed Digital Loop Carrier (DLC) at the southeast corner of the intersection of Fritz Cove Road & Glacier Highway and retiring the existing buried copper feed currently in conflict with the Alaska Department of Transportation road construction project 68471 along the Glacier Highway. The cutover of all services to this new DLC will eliminate the need for the buried copper in conflict with road construction. The new DLC will provide essential non-loaded POTS, DSL, and HDSL services into these areas of Juneau, Alaska.

Description of reasonably foreseeable impact(s) of the planned change(s):

The retirement of the copper feeder will shorten the existing copper loops in the affected areas from 17,000 feet currently to less than 13,000 feet. The change will require a change in provisioning from unbundled network element ("UNE") loop rate to a wholesale rate pursuant to the Global Interconnection and Resale Agreement between GCI and the ACS Local Exchange Companies.

The Planned Network Change will occur at the following location:

Southeast corner of the intersection of Fritz Cove Road & Glacier Hwy, Juneau, Alaska 99801

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