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

RE: ACS of Fairbanks, LLC Amended Notice of Network Changes involving Copper Retirement pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 51.332

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to Section 51.332 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 51.332, ACS of Fairbanks, LLC hereby submits the attached Amended 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

Senior Manager, Regulatory Affairs and

Risk Management

Attachments



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

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RE: Network Change Notification

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

Implementation Date:

This network change has been scheduled for April 1, 2018.

Description of the Planned Network Change:

Alaska Communications proposes to incorporate the retired 4682 Dale Road copper into the existing fiber fed Digital Loop Carrier (DLC) equipment at 3715 University Avenue. This DLC is required to eliminate the existing buried cable physical feed currently conflict with University Avenue construction project. Existing underground and buried cables will be used for distribution from the DLC allowing minimal impact to the surrounding area. The incorporated DLC will also provide essential non-loaded POTS, DSL, and HDSL services to a portion of southwest Fairbanks.

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 over 5,000 feet currently to less than 4,500 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:

4682 Dale Road, Fairbanks, AK 99701

Technical Larry Smith, Network Engineering

Contact 907-564-1812

Interconnection Kerri Lookabaugh, Service Assurance Manager

Contact 907-565-6678