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The Honorable Girmay Zahilay Chair, King County Council Room 1200 C O U R T H O U S E

Dear Councilmember Zahilay:

This letter transmits a proposed Ordinance that would, if enacted, authorize King County to enter into a non-exclusive franchise agreement with the Snoqualmie Valley School District for the construction, operation, and maintenance of wireline telecommunications facilities in and along certain road rights-of-way in Council Districts 3 and 9 of unincorporated King County. The application and negotiated franchise agreement meets the criteria for approval under KCC 6.27.060.A and ensures a continuing service to the public.

Snoqualmie Valley School District is a K-12 public school district located in the communities of Snoqualmie, North Bend, Fall City, and surrounding areas in unincorporated King County. Snoqualmie Valley School District has built its own fiber optic network to connect all its schools and buildings.

This network includes aerial pathways on utility poles in King County and underground pathways using conduit installed in the King County public rights-of-way. The network provides high speed connections for access to internet, voice, and data services necessary for quality instruction and school district operations. Snoqualmie Valley School District is not a utility or telecommunications provider, as this service is only for its own purposes.

Thank you for your consideration of this proposed Ordinance. This important proposed legislation will support educational services for King County residents.

If your staff have questions, please contact Chris Jaramillo, Cable Compliance Officer and Manager, King County Department of Information Technology at 206-263-7881.

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Sincerely,

for

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## Enclosure

cc: King County Councilmembers

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