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Project No. 32182 - Investigation of Methods to Improve Electric and Telecom RE: Infrastructure That Will Minimize Long Term Outages and Restoration Costs

Dear Filing Clerk:

On behalf of Dell Telephone Cooperative, Inc. ("Dell" or "Cooperative"), I am filing an original and ten (10) copies of this response to the PUC Staff's Information Request in the above referenced Project. The Staff requested information concerning; (1) Dell's on-going vegetation management program for overhead facilities and, (2) the Cooperative's on-going ground based inspection program for structural integrity for overhead facilities.

Most of Dell's outside plant infrastructure consists of direct buried and underground facilities. Its minimal amount of aerial outside plant consists of a small number of customer drops and drop poles serving only one or two customers each. The Cooperative's outside plant personnel are responsible for reporting any overgrown vegetation, obstructions or hazardous conditions to management to insure those conditions are investigated and resolved.

If you need any additional information, please contact Denny Bergstrom at 915-964-2352 or dbergstrom@dellcity.com.

Respectfully submitted,

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Authorized Representative for Dell Telephone Cooperative, Inc.

cc: Denny Bergstrom, General Manager