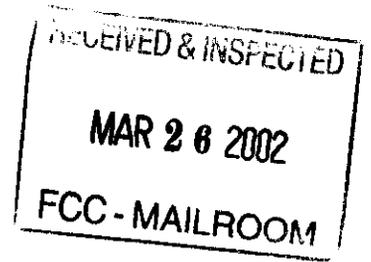


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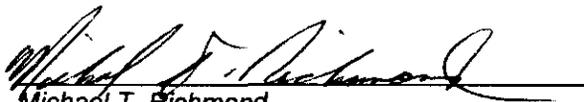
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This is to certify that Pend Oreille Telephone Company ("the company"), will use its Interstate Common Line Support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and service for which the support is intended.

I am authorized to make this certification on behalf of the company named above.

Signed:

  
Michael T. Richmond  
General Manager

Date: March 19, 2002

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