

**WAC 480-143-200 Certain telephone leases are exempt.** A telephone utility may lease its properties to another telephone utility without prior commission approval if:

(1) The properties are not essential to the lessor's provision of telephone service;

(2) The properties are used to transmit interexchange messages between subscribers of different utilities;

(3) The lease expedites economical interexchange telephone service; and

(4) A copy of the lease agreement is kept in the lessor's office.

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