

The Trustee shall be protected in acting upon any notice, request, consent, certificate, bond or other paper or document believed by it to be genuine and to be signed by the proper party.

If and in case at any time it shall be necessary or proper for the said Trustee to make any investigations respecting any facts preparatory to taking or not taking any action, or doing or not doing any thing under this mortgage or deed of trust as such trustee, the certificate of the Telephone Company under its corporate seal, executed in the name and on behalf of the Telephone Company by its President or one of its Vice-Presidents and Secretary, shall be sufficient evidence of such fact or facts to protect the said Trustee in any action that it may take by reason of its supposed investigations of such fact or facts.

ARTICLE TWENTY-THREE

PROVISIONS IN MORTGAGE SEPARABLE.

If any one or more of the covenants or agreements provided in this mortgage or deed of trust on the part of the Telephone Company or the said Trustee to be performed should be contrary to the express provision of law, or contrary to the policy of express law, though not expressly prohibited, or otherwise contrary to good morals, or against public policy, then such covenant or covenants, agreement or agreements, shall be null and void, and shall be deemed separable from the remaining covenants and agreements, and shall in no way affect the validity of this mortgage or deed of trust.

ARTICLE TWENTY-FOUR.

ESTATE OF TRUSTEE TO CEASE UPON PERFORMANCE.

If, when the bonds hereby secured shall have become due and payable, the Telephone Company shall well and truly pay or cause to be paid the whole amount of the said bonds and the coupons for interest thereon, or shall provide for such payment by depositing with the Trustee hereunder for the payment of such bonds and coupons the amount due and payable thereon for principal and interest, and shall also pay or cause to be paid all other sums payable hereunder by the Telephone Company, and shall well and truly keep and perform all things herein required to be kept and performed by it according to the true intent and meaning of this indenture, then and in that case all property, rights and interest hereby conveyed or pledged shall revert to the Telephone Company, its successors or assigns, and the estate, right, title and interest of the Trustee shall thereupon cease, determine and become void; and the Trustee in such case, on demand of the Telephone Company, its successors or assigns, and at its or their cost and expense, shall enter satisfaction of this indenture upon the records; otherwise the same shall be, continue and remain in full force and virtue.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, OREGON-WASHINGTON TELEPHONE COMPANY has caused these presents to be subscribed in its corporate name by its Vice President and its corporate seal to be hereunto affixed, and attested by its Secretary, and PORTLAND TRUST COMPANY OF OREGON has likewise caused these presents to be subscribed by its Vice- President, and its corporate seal to be hereunto affixed, attested by its Secretary, all in triplicate and on the day and year first above written.

OREGON-WASHINGTON TELEPHONE COMPANY.

In the presence of:

J.R. Maepory
Ernest C. Smith

(CORPORATE SEAL)

Attest:

By Charles Hall, President.

E.O. Hall, Secretary.

PORTLAND TRUST COMPANY OF OREGON.

In the presence of:

A.S. Campbell
V.O. Steward

(CORPORATE SEAL)

Attest:

By Emery Olmstead,
Vice President.

H.W. Hawkins,
Secretary.