COMMUNICATIONS LINE RIGHT-OF-WAY EASEMENT

ERNST BROTHERS L.L.C., hereinafter referred to as "Grantor", hereby grants to TELEPHONE UTILITIES OF EASTERN OREGON, INC., dba PTI Communications, its successors and assigns, hereinafter referred to as "PTI", a non-exclusive easement and right to bury and maintain underground telephone and communications facilities, together with all necessary wires and fixtures incidental thereto, under and upon that real property situated in Klamath County, Oregon and more particularly described as follows:

A strip of land ten (10) feet in width, the centerline of said strip being contiguous to the centerline of buried communications cables, as they exist on August 8, 1996, located in Parcel 1 of Minor Partition Plat No. 52-91, according to the official plat thereof on file in the records of Klamath County, Oregon.

It is agreed that the PTI, its successors and assigns, shall have access to said premises for the purposes stated and shall be responsible for any damages to the above described lands of Grantor arising directly from PTI's exercise of the rights granted herein, including, but not limited to, payment to Grantor of the merchantable value of any trees removed hereunder. Said lands of grantor shall be restored by PTI as nearly as reasonably possible to prior condition in a workmanlike manner.

PTI shall indemnify and hold harmless Lessor from and against any and all claims arising solely from PTI's business relative to this grant of easement or from any activity, work or things done or permitted by PTI in or about the premises or elsewhere, provided that said activity, work or things done or permitted arise directly from PTI's exercise of the rights granted under this grant of easement. PTI shall further indemnify and hold harmless Lessor from and against any and all claims arising solely from any breach or default in the performance of any obligation on PTI's part to be performed under the terms of this grant of easement, or arising from any negligence of PTI or any of PTI's agents, contractors or employees, and from and against all costs, attorney's fees, expenses and liabilities incurred in the defense of any such claim or any action or proceeding brought thereon; and in case any such action or proceeding be brought against Grantor by reason of any such claim, PTI, upon notice from Lessor, shall defend the same at PTI's expense.

In the event of abandonment or nonuse of the easement granted to PTI hereunder for a continuous period of two (2) years, all rights granted to PTI herein shall automatically terminate and revert to Grantor, its successors or assigns.

This easement is granted subject to leases and easements of record and those apparent on the ground.

Dated: August 9,1996

Ernst Brothers L.L.C.,

by: Wayne S. Erast
Title: Member

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