

United seeks earth stations

United Utilities, a Native owned telephone utility, has filed an application with the FCC for construction and ownership of satellite earth stations at Hooper Bay, Alakanuk, Emmonak and St. Mary's, Alaska.

The earth station will be an integral part of the local exchange telephone system being constructed by United to serve these villages and will interconnect with the intra-state and interstate operations of any authorized long lines carrier to provide expanded toll facilities.

United has applied for and received preliminary approval of its applications for construction financing from the Rural Electrification Administration. United plans to construct these earth stations within 60 days after receiving approval from the FCC.