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NOAH K. CHERRY TO JOIN WTA STAFF

Washington, DC (May 23, 2013) – Western Telecommunications Alliance announces that Noah Cherry will be joining its staff in Washington, DC. Mr. Cherry will assume the position of director of government affairs with a focus on video regulation, cyber-security and other issues of concern to WTA member companies. Mr. Cherry’s employment with WTA will begin June 3rd.

“We’re excited about having Noah join the WTA team,” said Derrick Owens, WTA’s Vice President of Government Affairs. “During the interview process, I was thoroughly impressed with Noah’s background as well as his enthusiasm for wanting to work on the issues affecting rural telcos. I believe Noah will help enhance our legislative/regulatory policy development and advocacy efforts,” said Owens.

Mr. Cherry is currently an associate attorney with St. Ledger-Roty Neuman & Olson LLP where he has been working on privacy and telecommunications law matters. He also has experience working with the wireless, broadcast and satellite industries. Mr. Cherry is a graduate of The Catholic University of America, Columbus School of Law in Washington, DC. He holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in International Affairs from The George Washington University, Elliott School of International Affairs.

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Western Telecommunications Alliance (WTA) is a trade association whose membership is comprised of approximately 250 rural telecommunications carriers providing high-quality voice, broadband and video throughout rural areas in the 24 states west of the Mississippi River. On average, WTA member companies serve fewer than 3,000 access lines with fewer than 500 customers in each exchange. WTA’s members serve some of the most rural and hard-to-serve communities in the country and are on the forefront of bringing 21st Century telecommunications services to rural America. For more information about WTA visit www.w-t-a.org.