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Service Announcement

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TO: WaTech Telecommunication Network Customers

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SUBJECT: Spokane Network Node Site Decommissioning

Regionally located network aggregation node sites have historically been used to connect Washington Technology Solutions (WaTech) customer circuits to the state network(s). Technology and design changes have greatly reduced the state's need for these "node" sites. As a result, WaTech is decommissioning several network node sites over the next several years.

WaTech completed the decommission of the Lacey Node site in late 2013, and the Vancouver Node site in May 2015. WaTech's [service announcement dated September 2, 2015](#) communicated our plans to decommission The Yakima Node site by June 30, 2016.

This notice is intended to communicate our plans to begin work related to the decommission of the Spokane Node site. Our current target date to decommission the Spokane Node site is August 31, 2016.

WaTech will work with our service providers to identify options to re-route the 31 existing circuits in the Spokane Node site to other locations on the WaTech network, primarily the State Data Center. WaTech will collaborate with each affected customer throughout this process. Additionally, the Spokane Node site has four customer owned circuits, with supporting data center colocation space, which will need to be relocated. Specific customer communication on this transition has already been sent. The changes to re-route all existing circuits must be completed by June 30, 2016.

Impacts may vary on a case by case basis, but are likely to include a coordinated, scheduled and brief outage to re-connect services for each customer site.

We plan to contact each affected agency with details specific to their location by February 16, 2016.

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List of customer agencies involved with the Spokane Node site decommission:

Agency	Count of Circuits
Department of Corrections	3
Department of Fish and Wildlife	1
Department of Health	1
Department of Licensing	1
Department of Social and Health Services	1
Department of Veterans Affairs	1
Employment Security	4
Labor and Industries	1
Secretary of State Digital Archives	1
WaTech - SunGard	1

IGN Customer Connections

Asotin County	1
City of Walla Walla	1
Columbia County	1
Ferry County	1
Garfield County	1
Grant County 911 Dispatch	1
Kittitas County	1
Lincoln County	1
Okanogan County	1
RIVERCOM911-MPLS	1
Spokane County	1
Stevens County	2
Walla Walla County	1
Whitman County	2

Customer Owned Connections

DSHS (circuits & colo supporting ACES & JP Morgan)	2
ATG (circuit & colo supporting MIPT)	1
DOL (circuit & colo supporting DHS)	1