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The company has paid a total of \$37.29 on the 2004 Regulatory Assessment Fee, leaving a balance of \$12.71. Please send us a check for the \$12.71 balance as soon as possible.

As information, the 2005 Regulatory Assessment Fee return forms were mailed on December 12, 2005 and will become due January 30, 2006. The 2005 fee increased to .0020% of a company's intrastate revenues or \$50, whichever is greater. In addition to the increased fee, our rules were amended to automatically impose a fine for late payment of the Regulatory Assessment Fee. A fine will automatically be imposed for \$500 for a first offense, \$1,000 for a second offense, and \$2,000 for a third offense. This means that if Coastal Connections does not pay the 2005 fee timely (due January 30th) then a \$1,000 fine will be imposed.

Please let me know if you have any questions. I'm attaching the 2004 Regulatory Assessment Fee account summary showing the balance.

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