

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION  
COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND	)	
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,	)	DOCKET NO. UT-001820
	)	
Complainant,	)	
	)	
v.	)	NOTICE OF PREHEARING
	)	CONFERENCE
COMTEX CORPORATION,	)	(October 25, 2001)
	)	
Respondent.	)	
.....	)	

- 1 On September 7, 2001, the Commission, on its own motion, instituted this proceeding to determine (1) whether Comtex Corporation should be assessed additional monetary penalties for failing to comply with Commission orders and (2) whether the Commission should revoke Comtex Corporation's registration as a telecommunications company pursuant to WAC 480-121-060.
  
- 2 Hearing in this matter is being held pursuant to Part IV of chapter 34.05 RCW pertaining to adjudicative proceedings and RCW 80.01.040, RCW 80.04.110, and RCW 80.36.350. The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter under Title 80 RCW, having legal authority to regulate the rates, practices, and services of telecommunications companies. Statutes involved include but are not limited to those within chapter 80.04 RCW and chapter 80.36 RCW, particularly RCW 80.04.110, RCW 80.04.380, RCW 80.04.405, RCW 80.36.140, and RCW 80.36.350. Rules involved include but are not limited to those within chapter 480-09 WAC and chapter 480-121 WAC, particularly WAC 480-121-060. The issues involved are generally stated above and more specifically contained in the complaint.
  
- 3 **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** That a prehearing conference in this matter will be held on October 25, 2001, at 9:30 a.m., in the Commission's Hearing Room, Second Floor, Chandler Plaza Building, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W., Olympia, Washington.
  
- 4 The purpose of the prehearing conference is to consider formulating the issues in the proceeding, and to determine other matters to aid in its disposition, as specified in WAC 480-09-460. Petitions to intervene should be made in writing prior to that date or made orally at that time. Appearances will be taken.
  
- 5 If any party or witness needs an interpreter or other assistance, please fill out the form attached to this notice and return it to the Commission.

6 NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN THAT ANY PARTY WHO FAILS TO ATTEND OR PARTICIPATE IN THE HEARING SET HEREIN, OR OTHER STAGE OF THIS PROCEEDING, MAY BE HELD IN DEFAULT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS OF RCW 34.05.440. THE PARTIES ARE FURTHER ADVISED THAT THE SANCTION PROVISIONS OF WAC 480-09-700(4) ARE SPECIFICALLY INVOKED.

7 The names and mailing addresses of all parties and their known representatives are as follows:

Complainant: Washington Utilities and  
Transportation Commission  
1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W.  
P. O. Box 47250  
Olympia, WA 98504-7250  
(360) 664-1160

Representative: Lisa Watson  
Assistant Attorney General  
1400 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W.  
P. O. Box 40128  
Olympia, WA 98504-0128  
(360) 664-1186

Shannon E. Smith  
Assistant Attorney General  
1400 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W.  
P. O. Box 40128  
Olympia, WA 98504-0128  
(360) 664-1192

Respondent: Jason Sidell  
President  
Comtex Corporation  
2201 Sixth Avenue, Suite 101  
Seattle, WA 98121  
(206) 436-2000

Representative: Pro Se

Public Counsel: Simon J. ffitich  
Public Counsel  
Office of the Attorney General  
900 Fourth Avenue, Suite 2000  
Seattle, WA 98164-1012  
(206) 464-7744

- 8 Karen Caillé has been designated as the Administrative Law Judge from the Utilities and Transportation Commission's Administrative Law Division, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W., Olympia, Washington 98504-7250 and will preside at the hearing.
- 9 The Public Counsel section of the Office of the Attorney General has been designated by the Attorney General to represent the public. The address of the Commission, shown below, may be used for inquires of Public Counsel, or Public Counsel may be contacted directly by writing or calling the address or telephone number listed below
- 10 Notice of any other procedural phase will be given in writing or on the record as the Commission may deem appropriate during the course of this proceeding.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CAROLE J. WASHBURN  
Executive Secretary

October , 2001

Inquiries may be addressed to:

Executive Secretary  
Washington Utilities and  
Transportation Commission  
Chandler Plaza Building  
1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W.  
P. O. Box 47250  
Olympia, WA 98504-7250  
(360) 664-1160

or Public Counsel Section  
Office of the Attorney General  
900 Fourth Avenue, Suite 2000  
Seattle, WA 98164-1012  
(206) 464-7744