

August 31, 2005

**NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO FILE ANSWERS TO
QWEST'S MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE PROCEEDINGS AND CONVERT
PROCEEDINGS TO COMPLAINT PROCEEDING**

(Due on Wednesday, September 7, 2005)

RE: *Pac West Telecomm, Inc. v. Qwest Corporation*, Docket No. UT-053036
Level 3 Communications, LLC v. Qwest Corporation, Docket No. UT-053039.

TO PARTIES OF RECORD:

On August 30, 2005, Qwest filed with the Commission a motion to consolidate proceedings in Docket Nos. UT-053036 and UT-053039, and to convert the consolidated proceeding to a complaint proceeding under RCW 80.04.110. Qwest also requests the Commission vacate the procedural schedule in the Pac-West proceeding, UT-053036, and require that no exceptions to the Recommended Decision be filed in the Pac-West proceeding until after a Recommended Decision is issued in the consolidated cases.

The Commission declines, at this time, to vacate the procedural schedule in the Pac-West proceeding, and requires parties to that proceeding to file any exceptions to the Recommended Decision in that proceeding by Friday, September 9, 2005. **Any party to Docket Nos. UT-053036 and UT-053039 who seeks to respond to Qwest's motion must do so in writing by Wednesday, September 7, 2005.** Parties may submit responses with the Commission electronically or via facsimile pursuant to WAC 480-07-145(6) and file a paper copy with the Commission by Thursday, September 8, 2005.

Sincerely,

CAROLE J. WASHBURN
Executive Secretary