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Announcement Date:	<u>February 18, 2005</u>
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Subject:	<u>New E911 Tandems - Washington</u>

This is the second notice (third for Spokane) sent regarding the addition of alternate E911 tandems being installed in the State of Washington. The State of Washington E911 Office in conjunction with the impacted Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs) has requested additional diversification of the E911 network to conform with current E911 system design standards. As a result, Qwest is diversifying to three E911 dual tandems for the state. This new configuration will require that the various Trunks be diversified between the appropriate tandems. Completion of the project will be by June 30, 2005.

The State of Washington currently has a dual tandem configuration for King County (Seattle area) and 6 other stand alone Selective Routers (SRs). Qwest will consolidate the Tacoma and Bremerton SRs into the existing dual tandem configuration in Seattle. The Vancouver SR will also be consolidated into the existing Portland dual tandem router pair. Lastly, the existing Spokane, Yakima, and Pasco SRs will be consolidated into a dual tandem configuration. The Washington E911 customers working via the Spokane, Yakima, and Pasco SRs will be reconfigured into a new Spokane SR and existing Yakima SR dual tandem arrangement.

The first notices can be found at <http://www.qwest.com/wholesale/notices/cnla/bysubcat/1,1203,30,00.html>. They were sent December, 2004 and are listed for the affected SR, as follows:

1. BMTNWA0155T: Notification Number - .NETW.12.16.04.B.000590.E911_Tand_Decomm
2. SPKNWA0154T: Notification Number - NETW.12.16.04.B.000591.E911_Tand_Decomm
3. TACMWAF52T: Notification Number - NETW.12.15.04.B.000584.E911_Tand_Decomm
4. VANCWA0151T: Notification Number - NETW.12.16.04.B.000588.E911_Tand_Decomm

The second notice for Spokane was sent February 9, 2005. Note that this notification not only decommissions the SPKNWA0154T SR but also the PASCWA011GT SR. More details can be found in this second Spokane notice, Notification Number: NETW.02.09.05A.001311.E911_Tand_Decommission.

The reason for this notice is to inform you that the State of Washington E911 Office has requested that all Emergency Service (ES) trunks be diversified between the appropriate two tandem SRs. We are asking for your cooperation in the diversification of your ES trunks between end offices and the respective E911 Tandems. In some cases, carriers have needed to install trunks to multiple tandem routers serving their service territory. You are encouraged to examine your trunking configurations to eliminate trunking that may not be needed due to the larger service territory of the router pairs. In order to complete the diversification by June 30, 2005, you may start

placing your orders beginning May 2, 2005 but no later than June 1, 2005.

In addition, if your ES circuits have not been upgraded to SS7 signaling, the State of Washington E911 Office is requesting that this be done at the same time.

Additional information on Access to Emergency Services E911 can be obtained from the following Qwest web sites.

<http://www.qwest.com/wholesale/pcat/911.html>

http://www.qwest.com/cgi-bin/iconn/iconn_tandem.pl?function=2

<http://www.qwest.com/wholesale/pcat/w911.html>

Your Qwest Service Manager, will assist you with all the steps necessary to complete your portion of this project. Some of the work items include:

1. Completion of the E911 worksheet
2. Setting a Due date (minimum interval of 12 days after receipt of a complete and accurate E911 worksheet).
3. Working with PSAP to ensure backup coverage during the conversion
4. Conversion of trunks during a Maintenance Window

If you have any questions or would like to discuss this notice please contact your Qwest Service Manager, on . Qwest appreciates your business and we look forward to our continued relationship.

Sincerely,

Qwest

Note: In cases of conflict between the changes implemented through this notification and any CLEC interconnection agreement (whether based on the Qwest SGAT or not), the rates, terms and conditions of such interconnection agreement shall prevail as between Qwest and the CLEC party to such interconnection agreement.

The Qwest Wholesale Web Site provides a comprehensive catalog of detailed information on Qwest products and services including specific descriptions on doing business with Qwest. All information provided on the site describes current activities and process. Prior to any modifications to existing activities or processes described on the web site, wholesale customers will receive written notification announcing the upcoming change.

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<http://www.qwest.com/wholesale/notices/cnla/maillist.html>

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