

September 9, 2005

Donald Taylor, Director Regulatory Affairs
Tel West Communications, LLC
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Subject: Docket No. UT-053052, Interconnection Agreement and Amendment with United Telephone Company of the Northwest

Dear Mr. Taylor:

On August 5, 2005, United Telephone Company of the Northwest (United Telephone) filed a request for approval of a fully negotiated interconnection agreement with an amendment between United Telephone and Tel West Communications, LLC (Tel West) in Docket No. UT-053052. The agreement and the amendment are consent items scheduled for the Commission's open meeting on September 14, 2005.

The agreement provides rates, terms and conditions for interconnection, collocation and resale between United Telephone and Tel West. Amendment Number 1 adds terms and conditions for ending the agreement. The purpose of this letter is to make note that the agreement and its amendment were filed 5 days late. The Commission reserves the right to investigate, and if appropriate, commence a separate proceeding to complain, enforce, and penalize Tel West for failure to meet the filing requirements of Section 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. WAC 480-07-640 (effective January 1, 2004) makes it clear that interconnection agreements are to be filed for approval within 30 days after the agreement is signed. A similar letter has been sent to United Telephone.

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For further information, or if you have any questions, please contact Deborah Reynolds by e-mail dreynold@wutc.wa.gov or telephone (360) 664-1255.

Sincerely,

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Executive Secretary