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By Federal Express

Ms. Carole J. Washburn, Secretary Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive SW Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket No. UT-021120

Dear Ms. Washburn:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced docket, please find the original and 19 copies of Petition of XO Washington, Inc., to Intervene.

Please call with any questions. Thank you for your assistance.

Very truly yours,

Davis Wright Tremaine LLP

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STATE OF WASH. UTIL. AND TRANSP.

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application of)	
)	DOCKET NO. UT-021120
QWEST CORPORATION)	
)	PETITION OF XO
Regarding the Sale and Transfer of Qwest)	WASHINGTON, INC., TO
Dex to Dex Holdings, LLC, a Non-Affiliate.)	INTERVENE
)	

XO Washington, Inc. ("XO"), pursuant to WAC 480-09-430(1), hereby requests leave to intervene in the above-entitled docket. In support of its request, XO states as follows:

I.

All communications with XO should be directed to the following persons:

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II.

XO is a facilities-based telecommunications company that is authorized by the Commission to provide intraexchange and interexchange telecommunications services throughout the State of Washington. XO offers local exchange and interexchange services in competition with Qwest Corporation ("Qwest"). Pursuant to the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 ("Act"), XO entered into an interconnection agreement with Qwest, which the

Commission approved and which currently is in full force and effect.

III.

As a competitor and customer of Qwest, XO has a substantial interest in the issues that may be addressed in this proceeding. Qwest must provide directory listings to XO's customers, and the proposed sale of the affiliate that currently provides such listings potentially affects XO's ability to obtain those listings. The access or interconnection that Qwest must provide to competing telecommunications carriers under the Act must include "White pages directory listings for customers of the other carrier's telephone exchange service." 47 U.S.C. § 271(c)(2)(B)(viii). Both Qwest's Commission-approved interconnection agreement with XO and Qwest's SGAT on file with the Commission establish terms and conditions for providing such listings. See, e.g., SGAT §§ 10.4 & 15. Qwest's sale of the affiliate that provides those listings directly affects XO's legal rights under its interconnection agreement and federal law by raising the issue of the extent to which that sale will affect XO's ability to obtain directory listings and Qwest's obligations to XO and other competing local exchange service providers to provide such listings for their customers.

In addition, XO's interests as a competitor of Qwest are also potentially at issue in this proceeding. XO's understanding is that Qwest is required to impute revenues from Qwest Dex and that Qwest's current rates are based on that imputation. The basis for imputing directory revenues into Qwest's rate base is that ratepayers financed Qwest's ability to provide directory services and are entitled to the revenues generated from those assets. Under that same theory, Commission Staff, Public Counsel, or the Commission could propose or require that Qwest

provide ratepayers with a portion of the proceeds of the sale of those assets. Under similar circumstances in the past, Qwest has proposed a distribution that would have subsidized retail services subject to competition and excluded competitors' existing and future customers. Such a distribution proposal if repeated in this proceeding would directly and materially affect XO's ability to provide competing local exchange service in Washington.

IV.

As a customer and competitor of Qwest with a direct and particular interest in the outcome of these proceedings, XO's participation will be of material value to the Commission. XO's intervention will not broaden the issues to be addressed or delay the proceedings, and XO will coordinate with other parties with similar interests to minimize any duplication or overlap in presentation of positions.

WHEREFORE, XO respectfully requests leave to intervene as a party to this proceeding, with a right to discovery, to have notice of and appear at the taking of testimony, to produce and cross-examine witnesses, and to be heard in person or by counsel on brief and at oral argument.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 26th day of September, 2002.

DAVIS WRIGHT TREMAINE LLP Attorneys for XO Washington, Inc.

Gregory J. Kopta

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Docket No. UT-021120

I hereby certify that on the date given below the original and 19 true and correct copies of **PETITION OF XO WASHINGTON, INC., TO INTERVENE** in the above-referenced docket were delivered by Federal Express overnight delivery to:

Ms. Carole J. Washburn, Secretary Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive SW Olympia, WA 98504-7250

On the same date, a true and correct copy was sent by regular U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, to:

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DATED this 26th day of September, 2002.

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