

Provisioning Parity Issues Procedural Schedule (cont.)

Tel West data requests to Qwest	April 23, 2002
Qwest responses to Tel West DRs	April 30, 2002
Prehearing conference	May 2, 2002, at 9:30 a.m.
Pre-hearing briefs	May 3, 2002
Tel West rebuttal evidence (live)	May 6, 2002
Hearing begins	May 6, 2002, at 9:00 a.m.
Post-hearing briefs or arguments	TBD

5 **Unresolved Procedural Issues.** Several procedural issues remained unresolved at the conclusion of the prehearing conference and will be discussed no later than the May 2, 2002 prehearing conference that has been scheduled. Those issues are:

- Should parties submit oral or written post-hearing arguments;
- How will live testimony be conducted at the hearing; and
- Tel West's request that Qwest supplement responses to Tel West DR 10.

6 **Legal Briefs, Filing and Service Requirements.** The parties will file briefs on May 3, 2002. The parties are requested to exchange correspondence acknowledging the broad issues to be addressed and agreeing upon a brief outline. Briefs must be no longer than forty-five (45) pages.

7 Parties must file an original and ten (10) copies of pleadings and briefs. The deadline for filing and serving pleadings, discovery responses, and briefs is 4:30 p.m. on the respective due date. Parties may file by facsimile transmission, if the requisite number of paper copies are delivered to the Commission on the following business day. The cover letter accompanying fax filed documents should state that the presiding officer in the proceeding has authorized parties to do so.

Notice of Prehearing Conference

8 **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That a prehearing conference will be held at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, May 2, 2002, in Room 206, Commission Headquarters, Chandler Plaza Building, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W., Olympia, Washington.**

9 The purpose of the conference is to develop a procedural schedule for provisioning parity issues, to discuss the need for cross-examining witnesses, and to address any other procedural matters that may require attention. Parties may attend via the Commission's teleconference bridge line – **360-664-3846**. Please call in five minutes before the scheduled time.

Notice of Hearing

10 **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That a hearing will be convened beginning at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, May 6, 2002, in Room 206, Commission Headquarters, Chandler Plaza Building, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W., Olympia, Washington.**

11 **NOTICE TO PARTIES: Any objection to the provisions of this Order must be filed within ten (10) days after the date of mailing of this document, pursuant to WAC 480-09-460(2). Absent such objections, this prehearing conference order will control further proceedings in this matter, subject to Commission review.**

Dated at Olympia, Washington and effective this 20th day of March, 2002.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

LAWRENCE J. BERG
Administrative Law Judge