

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of Qwest's Petition to be Regulated
Under an Alternative Form of Regulation
Pursuant to RCW 80.36.135

Docket No. UT-061625

DECLARATION OF
DAVID L. TEITZEL

I, David L. Teitzel, declare as follows:

1. My name is David L. Teitzel. I am employed by Qwest Services Corporation as a Staff Director in the Public Policy organization. My business address is 1600 – 7th Ave. Seattle, Washington, 98191. I have submitted prefiled direct testimony in this docket, and have participated in the preparation of various discovery responses.

2. I am familiar with the documents for which Qwest has requested a “Highly Confidential” designation in this docket. Those documents contain highly sensitive competitive information, including Qwest’s analysis of competition and competitors, not just with regard to past or present facts, such as line loss, take rates, etc., but also with regard to future plans, actions and strategies Qwest might employ. This information would be considered trade secret in any industry, and would not be available for review, especially by competitors. Qwest would be immeasurably harmed if this information was released or disseminated more broadly than absolutely necessary for this docket.

3. Qwest believes its interests will be protected so long as the Highly Confidential information is released only to Staff and Public Counsel, but not the other parties to this case. Staff and Public Counsel are, as I understand it, the parties who are included in this docket by law rather than by filing a petition to intervene, they have a broader interest in the docket than that stated by the intervenors, and the intervenors' interests in this docket do not appear to touch on issues to which the Highly Confidential information may be relevant. For these reasons, Qwest believes it is reasonable to limit access as described herein.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

DATED this 5th day of January, 2007.

David L. Teitzel