

March 22, 2002

NOTICE SUSPENDING PROVISIONING PARITY PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

RE: Tel West Communications, LLC, v. Qwest Corporation
Docket No. UT-013097

TO THE PARTIES:

The Fourth Supplemental Order served on March 20, 2002, established a procedural schedule that had been previously agreed to by the parties for the provisioning parity part of this proceeding. That schedule included deadlines for parties to respond to data requests and file testimony. Tel West informs the Commission that it needs to file supplemental data requests and receive Qwest's responses before it can file testimony presently due on March 25, 2002. Tel West represents that this development would necessitate that the remainder of the procedural schedule be adjusted. Qwest represents that it provided complete responses to extensive Tel West data requests on an expedited schedule, and the company states that Tel West's request is unfair given the effort that Qwest has made to comply with the Commission's schedule.

The provisioning parity part of this proceeding raises complex issues of fact and the schedule is in its relatively early stages. No prejudice results to Qwest as the result of an extension of the proceeding at this time. The Commission requires Tel West to serve its supplemental data requests to Qwest by March 22, 2002, and the parties to submit proposals for a revised schedule to the presiding officer on March 26, 2002. The provisioning parity procedural schedule is suspended until further order of the Commission.

Sincerely,

LAWRENCE J. BERG
Administrative Law Judge