

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

In the Matter of the Petition of)	DOCKET UT-061625
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QWEST CORPORATION,)	ORDER 17
)	
For an Alternative Form of Regulation)	ORDER GRANTING MOTION
Pursuant to RCW 80.36.135.)	FOR LEAVE TO FILE REPLY
)	AND REVISED TARIFF SHEETS
)	AND ESTABLISHING
)	DEADLINE FOR CATALOG
)	CORRECTIONS
.....)	(Deadline for Catalog Corrections is January 18, 2008).

MEMORANDUM

- 1 **NATURE OF PROCEEDING:** Docket UT-061625 involves Qwest Corporation’s (Qwest) request for an alternative form of regulation (AFOR) pursuant to RCW 80.36.135.
- 2 **PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND:** The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) approved, subject to condition, Qwest’s request for an AFOR.¹ By Order 14 entered November 30, 2007, the Commission, among other things, accepted Qwest’s partial compliance filing and required Qwest to submit a complete compliance filing by February 1, 2008.²
- 3 Qwest timely filed its second compliance filing on December 31, 2007. On January 15, 2008, Public Counsel and the Commission Staff (Staff) timely filed comments. Staff’s comments include a listing of clerical errors in Qwest’s December 31, 2007, filing.
- 4 On January 16, 2008, Qwest filed a motion for leave to file a reply and revised tariff sheets in connection with other parties’ comments. In Qwest’s reply, it states that it will provide a copy of the catalog reflecting all changes to the AFOR compliance

¹ Orders 06 and 08, entered July 24, and September 6, 2007, respectively.
² By Order 15 entered December 18, 2007, the Commission established deadlines for the second compliance filing and comments.

filings, any additional agreed-to changes that aid in cross-referencing between the catalogs and tariffs, and changes to correct filing errors after the Commission has ruled on the final compliance filing.

5 **COMMISSION DECISION:** The Commission grants Qwest's motion for leave to file reply and revised tariff sheets. The reply does not raise new issues or present additional argument. Rather, it states Qwest's willingness to revise its compliance filing to be in accord with Staff's comments. The reply aids the Commission in rendering a decision on the compliance filing and should be permitted.

6 The Commission concludes that it will aid in its review of the final compliance filing, particularly cross-referencing between the tariffs and catalogs, if it receives the corrections to the catalog prior to entering its order on the compliance filing. Accordingly, the Commission establishes **5:00 p.m., January 18, 2008**, as the deadline for Qwest to submit corrections to the catalog.

7 The Notice of Required Number of Copies entered February 8, 2007, requires filings to include an original plus 15 copies of all filings. The Commission does not require this number of copies of the catalog corrections. Qwest is required to submit an original and three copies of the catalog corrections.

ORDER

THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- 8 (1) The motion for leave to file reply filed by Qwest Corporation is granted.
- (2) By 5:00 p.m., January 18, 2008, Qwest Corporation is required to file all catalog corrections.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective January 17, 2008.

WASHINGTON STATE UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

PATRICIA CLARK
Administrative Law Judge