BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND)	DOCKETS UT-060762,
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,)	UT-060920 and UT-060921
)	(consolidated)
Complainant)	
)	ORDER 04
v.)	
)	GRANTING MOTION FOR
WESTGATE COMMUNICATIONS)	EXTENSION OF EXISTING
LLC, d/b/a WEAVTEL,)	REVENUE OBJECTIVE
)	
Respondent.)	
)	

MEMORANDUM

- On March 1, 2007, the Commission entered Initial Order 03 in these consolidated dockets, approving a Settlement Agreement between Westgate Communications, LLC d/b/a WeavTel (WeavTel or the Company) and the Staff of the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission). Initial Order 03 became a Final Order by operation of law on March 22, 2007. The Settlement Agreement approved by the Commission established a temporary Washington Carrier Access Plan (WCAP) Revenue Objective of \$253,572, which will expire on June 30, 2008, unless the Commission takes further action.¹
- On April 10, 2008, WeavTel filed a motion to extend the June 30, 2008, expiration date of the current Revenue Objective to February 28, 2009. WeavTel states the additional time is needed to allow for the completion of 2007 audited financial statements and to accommodate a delay in the implementation of traffic measurement.

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¹ The Order at ¶ 21 provides:

This Revenue Objective, if approved, will expire on June 30, 2008, at which time WeavTel will be required to file for a new Revenue Objective giving the Commission an opportunity to review relevant facts and circumstances after more than a year of company operations. WeavTel is also expected to receive federal high cost loop funding by that time, which should reduce the amount of subsidy from the Washington Carrier Access Plan.

- Commission Staff does not oppose the Company's request to extend the Company's current WCAP Revenue Objective of \$253,572 until February 28, 2009, at which time WeavTel will be required to file for a new Revenue Objective. Staff states: "The extension, if granted, would allow the Company to submit meaningful data in order to determine a final WCAP Revenue Objective."
- Commission Staff recommends in its answer to WeaveTel's motion that the Company file its 2007 audited financial statements by August 31, 2008, and its updated traffic studies and proposal for a permanent Revenue Objective by October 15, 2008. Staff states that this schedule would give Commission Staff adequate time to review the data and recommend to the Commission a fair, just, and reasonable WCAP Revenue Objective in January 2009. Staff also represents that this schedule should allow time for the Washington Exchange Carriers Association to file any necessary tariff revisions in February 2009, to become effective on March 1, 2009. Staff states that WeavTel has indicated its intention to comply with the deadlines recommended by Staff.
- The Commission finds good cause to extend the Company's current WCAP Revenue Objective of \$253,572 until February 28, 2009, at which time WeavTel will be required to file for a new Revenue Objective. The Commission accordingly concludes WeaveTel's unopposed Motion to Extend Existing Revenue Objective should be granted.

ORDER

THE COMMISSION ORDERS That:

- 6 (1) WeaveTel's Motion to Extend Existing Revenue Objective of \$253,572 until February 28, 2009, is granted.
- WeaveTel is required to file its 2007 audited financial statements by August 31, 2008, and its updated traffic studies and proposal for a permanent Revenue Objective by October 15, 2008.

8 (3) WeavTel is required to file for a new Revenue Objective by February 28, 2009.

DATED at Olympia, Washington and effective April 23, 2008.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

DENNIS J. MOSS Administrative Law Judge