

**STATE OF WASHINGTON**

UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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August 6, 2015

**NOTICE REVISING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE**

RE: *Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission v. Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC*, Docket UT-140597

TO ALL PARTIES:

On February 19, 2015, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission), on behalf of its Staff, initiated a complaint proceeding against Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC. The complaint alleges violations of Commission rules arising from a 911 service outage affecting Washington residents on April 9-10, 2014. The Commission convened a prehearing conference in this docket on April 22, 2015, and adopted a procedural schedule to resolve the issues presented in the complaint.

On August 6, 2015, Staff filed with the Commission, on behalf of the parties, a request to modify the procedural schedule. Staff states that the parties have been deeply focused on settlement negotiations and believe additional time is needed to pursue a negotiated resolution. The parties propose the following revised procedural schedule:

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| **Event** | **Prior Deadline** | **New Deadline** |
| Staff & Public Counsel direct testimony | August 11, 2015 | September 15, 2015 |
| Company responsive testimony | September 22, 2015 | October 27, 2015 |
| Rebuttal testimony and cross-answering | October 27, 2015 | December 8, 2015 |
| Cross-examination exhibits due | November 24, 2015 | December 18, 2015 |
| Evidentiary hearing | December 7 – 8, 2015, continuing on December 10, if necessary | January 12-13, 2016 |
| Simultaneous post-hearing briefs | January 15, 2016 | February 12, 2016 |

The Commission finds that the parties have demonstrated good cause to extend the filing deadlines and grants the request.

**THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE That the Commission grants the parties’ request and adopts the revised procedural schedule they propose to govern this proceeding.**

GREGORY J. KOPTA

Administrative Law Judge