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NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO FILE WRITTEN COMMENTS
(by Wednesday, August 27, 2003)
and
NOTICE OF STAKEHOLDER DISCUSSION
(Set for Thursday, October 2, 2003)

RE: Commission Rulemaking to Amend WAC 480-120-146, Changing service providers from one local exchange company to another.
Docket No. UT-030964

TO INTERESTED PERSONS:

On August 1, 2003, the Commission filed a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (CR-102) with the Code Reviser to amend WAC 480-120-146, Changing service providers from one local exchange company (LEC) to another. The proposed amendments would clarify the process to be followed when a customer migrates from one LEC to another LEC, and the customer retains his/her telephone number via Local Number Portability (LNP). Qwest Corporation initiated the proposed revisions in a petition to amend WAC 480-120-146, filed with the Commission on June 17, 2003. On July 31, 2003, the Commission granted Qwest's petition and directed the Secretary to file a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking.

The draft rule, as filed with the Code Reviser, is available for inspection on the Commission's web site at www.wutc.sw.gov/030964. The Commission will send you a paper copy of the draft rule or will send the proposal via electronic mail, if you ask.

WRITTEN COMMENTS. Written comments on the proposed amendments to WAC 480-120-146 may be submitted to the Commission by filing with the Commission Secretary either by electronic transmission as described below, or by physical delivery to the address indicated below, no later than **August 27, 2003**.

Electronic copies. The Commission requests that comments be provided in electronic format to enhance public access, for ease of providing comments, to reduce the need for paper copies, and to facilitate quotations from the comments. Comments may be submitted by electronic mail to the Commission's Records Center at records@wutc.wa.gov.

- The docket number of this proceeding (UT-030964)
- The commenting party's name
- The title and date of the comment or comments

An alternative method for submitting comments may be by mailing/delivering an electronic copy on a 3 ½ inch, IBM-formatted, high-density disk, in .pdf Adobe Acrobat format or in Word 97 or later. Include all of the information requested above. The Commission will post on the Commission's web site all comments that are provided in electronic format. The web site is located at <http://www.wutc.wa.gov/030964>. If you are unable to file your comments electronically or to submit them on a disk, the Commission will always accept a paper document.

NOTICE OF STAKEHOLDER DISCUSSION. The Commission has scheduled a stakeholder discussion to provide interested persons the opportunity to discuss the rule proposal in an informal setting. The stakeholder discussion is planned for **October 2, 2003** beginning at 2:00 p.m. in the Commission's Hearing Room, 2nd Floor, Chandler Plaza, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive, S.W., Olympia, Washington.

Information about schedule and other aspects of the rulemaking, including comments, will be posted on the Commission's web site as it becomes available. If you wish to receive further information on this rulemaking you may 1) call the Commission's Records Center at 360-664-1234, 2) e-mail the Commission at [<records@wutc.wa.gov>](mailto:records@wutc.wa.gov), or 3) mail written comments to the address below. When contacting the Commission, please refer to Docket No. UT-030964 to

ensure that you are placed on the appropriate service list. The Commission's mailing address is:

Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
1300 South Evergreen Park Drive SW
P O BOX 47250
Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

Questions: If you have questions about this Notice, about the rulemaking process, or this rulemaking in particular, you may contact Tom Wilson. He may be reached by mail at the address on this Notice, or by e-mail at twilson@wutc.wa.gov, or by calling 360-664-1282.

NOTICE

If you do not want to comment now, but do want to receive future information about this rulemaking, please notify the Secretary in one of the ways described above and ask to be included on the mailing list for Docket No. UT-030964. If you do not do this, you might not receive further information about this rulemaking.

Sincerely,

CAROLE J. WASHBURN
Secretary