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Carole Washburn
Executive Secretary
Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission
1300 S. Evergreen Pk. Dr. S.W.
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Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: In the Matter of the Joint Application of Embarq Corporation and CenturyTel, Inc. For
Approval of Transfer of Control of United Telephone Company of the Northwest d.b.a
Embarq and Embarq Communications.
Docket No. UT-082119

Dear Ms. Washburn:

I am writing to inform the bench that the non-company parties in this case have consulted and agree it would be more productive to postpone the initial settlement conference originally scheduled for Tuesday, February 17, 2009, for a later date. The Joint Applicants have been advised and do not object. The parties will work together to reschedule the conference and will provide written notification of the new date when one is agreed to. By this letter, we request approval to modify the scheduled settlement conference date.

Sincerely,

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