

June 30, 2000

**NOTICE OF SUSPENSION OF BRIEFING SCHEDULE
(July 5 and 26, 2000)**

**NOTICE OF STATUS CONFERENCE
(July 18, 2000)**

RE: WorldCom/Sprint Corporation Merger
Docket UT-991991

TO ALL PARTIES OF RECORD:

On June 29, 2000, the parties requested that the briefing schedule in this proceeding be suspended in light of the uncertainty of the merger proceedings at the federal level. The present schedule calls for Petitioners' reply brief on jurisdiction and all parties' simultaneous briefs on the merits to be filed July 5, 2000. Reply briefs on the merits are due July 26, 2000.

Since the need for briefing remains uncertain depending on the status of the merger proceedings on the federal level, it is appropriate to suspend the briefing schedule and set the matter for a status conference. The purpose of the status conference is to inform the Commission of the status of the federal merger proceedings, and, if necessary, to establish a new briefing schedule, and to address any other procedural matters that might require attention.

Notice is given that the briefing schedule in this proceeding is suspended. Notice is also given that the Commission will conduct a status conference beginning at 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, July 18, 2000, in room 206, at the Commission's offices, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive SW, Olympia, Washington. If you are unable to attend the status conference in person, you may attend via the Commission's teleconference bridge line. Due to the limited number of available ports, all ports must be reserved in advance. Ports may be reserved by calling Jennifer Watsek at 360-664-1139 by July 13, 2000. Please call into the bridge line no later than 1:55 p.m.

Sincerely,

KAREN M. CAILLÉ
Administrative Law Judge