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## NOTICE EXTENDING TIME FOR QWEST AND VERIZON TO RESPOND TO REQUESTS TO OBSERVE CONDUCT OF TIME AND MOTION STUDIES AND EXTENDING TIME FOR PARTIES TO FILE MOTIONS

## (February 28 and March 7, 2003, respectively)

RE: In the Matter of the Review of Unbundled Loop and Switching Rates and Review of the Deaveraged Zone Rate Structure Docket No. UT-023003

## TO THE PARTIES:

The Commission convened a prehearing conference on February 6, 2003, to address the scope of the proceeding and scheduling issues. During the conference the parties stated that they have previously discussed whether other parties would be allowed to observe the conduct of time and motion studies by Qwest and Verizon. Qwest and Verizon were unable to respond to the proposal by other parties and also requested more information. Parties interested in observing the conduct of time and motion studies were required to submit to Qwest and Verizon written statements of interest, including proposed terms and conditions, no later than February 14, 2003. Qwest and Verizon were required to respond to other parties no later than February 21, 2003. Parties were required to file motions regarding observation of the conduct of time and motion studies no later than February 28, 2003. The Commission also took under advisement the issue whether parties are required to perform time and motion studies in support of nonrecurring costs for both ordering and provisioning elements.

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On February 20, 2003, Qwest requested that the date for responses be extended until after Commission orders addressing issues raised at the prehearing conference were entered. On that same day, the Commission entered the Fifth and Sixth Supplemental Orders in this proceeding addressing those issues. Qwest's request is granted, and the deadline for Qwest and Verizon to respond to other parties is extended from February 21, 2003, to **February 28, 2003**. Accordingly, the date for parties to file motions regarding requests to observe the conduct of time and motion studies is extended from February 28, 2003, to **March 7, 2003**.

Sincerely,

LAWRENCE J. BERG Administrative Law Judge THEODORA MACE Administrative Law Judge