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**NOTICE OF ISSUANCE OF COMMISSION BENCH REQUESTS
(June 25, 2002)**

RE: In the Matter of the Continued Costing and Pricing of Unbundled
Network Elements and Transport and Termination
Docket No. UT-003013 – Part D

TO THE PARTIES:

Please prepare and file written responses to the following Bench Requests no later than Friday, June 25, 2002.

Bench Requests for Qwest Corporation

Bench Request No. 52

During the hearings, Qwest's witness Joseph Craig testified that Qwest could provide Feature Group D ("FGD") customized routing to CLECs by purchasing software provided by Lucent Technologies.

- a. Explain how this software facilitates the FGD customized routing requested by WorldCom. Furthermore, does Qwest currently provide, or are there plans for Qwest to provide, FGD customized routing by this method in any Qwest service territory?
- b. State the fully-loaded cost (i.e., the cost of acquiring the software and installing the feature on its switches) Qwest would incur to purchase this software and provide supporting documentation: per switch; and per switched access line.
- c. Can Qwest purchase comparable software from an alternative provider (including Nortel)?
 - i. If so, state the cost Qwest would incur to purchase this software and provide supporting documentation: per switch; and per access line.
 - ii. If not, explain why there are no alternatives to Lucent's product.

- d. State the annual charge factor that would apply to Qwest's FGD customized routing software investment (using the Commission authorized depreciation rates and cost-of-money). If an annual charge factor is not the appropriate mechanism for converting the cost of the software to a monthly cost, explain why not and state what Qwest considers to be the appropriate mechanism.

Bench Request No. 53

State the number of customers served by each host switch in Qwest's Washington service territory, including all calculations, and identify which switching vendor supplied the host switch.

Bench Request No. 54

- a. State the average number of monthly Directory Assistance calls per switched (voice) access line in Qwest's Washington service territory, including all calculations.
- b. State the average number of monthly operator-assisted calls per switched (voice) access line in Qwest's Washington service territory, including all calculations.

Bench Request No. 55

- a. State Qwest's TELRIC cost and rate of a Directory Assistance call, including relevant SGAT or Tariff citations.
- b. State Qwest's TELRIC cost and rate of an operator-assisted call, including relevant SGAT or Tariff citations.

Bench Requests for WorldCom , Inc.

Bench Request No. 56

State the current retail rates that WorldCom charges for a Directory Assistance call.

Sincerely,

LAWRENCE J. BERG
Administrative Law Judge