BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,

Petitioners,

v.

ADVANCED TELECOM GROUP, INC., et al,

Respondents.

DOCKET NO. UT-033011

COMMISSION STAFF'S MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) Staff (Staff) moves for an extension of time to file responses to the dispositive motions that were filed on November 7, 2003. Under the current schedule, responses to the dispositive motions are due on December 5, 2003. For the reasons set forth below, Staff respectfully requests a one-week extension until December 12, 2003.

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Counsel for Commission Staff learned early in the afternoon on Wednesday,

December 3, 2003, that the Staff member assigned to this matter has been out of the

office unexpectedly and will not return until Monday, December 8, 2003. Counsel for

Staff requires the assistance of the Staff member in preparing the response. Therefore,

Staff respectfully requests an additional week to respond to the motions.

Staff notified counsel regarding this motion by e-mail at 1:45 p.m. on

Wednesday, December 3, 2003. No counsel objected prior to the filing of the motion.

To accommodate the schedules of other counsel to this proceeding, Staff requests

that the timeline for filing reply briefs be extended until January 6, 2004.

Dated: December 3, 2003.

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