

December 22, 1999

NOTICE OF REVISED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

RE: In re Application of U S WEST, Inc. and Qwest Communications International, Inc.
Docket No. UT-991358

TO PARTIES OF RECORD:

On December 21, 1999, U S WEST Communications, Inc., Qwest Communications International, Inc., Public Counsel, and Commission Staff filed a Stipulation Regarding Scheduling. The Commission treats this filing as a request for continuance under WAC 480-09-440. Counsel for U S WEST committed to, and did, contact all parties via facsimile and telephone; the parties were informed that any objection must be communicated to the undersigned presiding Administrative Law Judge by 12:00 noon on December 22, 1999. No objections were heard.

According to the request, the signatory parties have agreed that an extension of the procedural schedule is necessary to permit them time to discuss possible settlement. These parties relate that they intend to devote significant efforts to settlement negotiations over the next several weeks. The request proposes the following changes to the procedural schedule:

	<u>Current Schedule</u>	<u>Proposed Schedule</u>
Staff, Public Counsel and Intervenor testimony	December 23, 1999	February 1, 2000
U S WEST/Qwest rebuttal testimony	January 10, 2000	February 22, 2000
Evidentiary hearings	January 31, 2000	March 13, 2000

The Commission favors the voluntary settlement of disputes within its jurisdiction. WAC 480-090-466. In addition, the request for continuance is unopposed. Under these circumstances, it is consistent with the public interest and the Commission's

administrative needs to grant the request.

The current procedural schedule is continued and new procedural dates are established as follows:

Staff, Public Counsel and Intervenor testimony	February 1, 2000
Deadline for submitting data requests (second round)	February 9, 2000
Deadline for responses to all second round data requests	February 17, 2000
U S WEST/Qwest rebuttal testimony	February 22, 2000
Deadline for submitting data requests (third round)	February 28, 2000 (in-hand by 12:00 noon PST)
Deadline for responses to all third round data requests	March 6, 2000
Evidentiary hearings	March 13, 2000
Public Hearings	To be determined
Briefs	To be determined

Witness and exhibit lists must be provided in accordance with the requirements stated in the Fifth Supplemental Order Revising Procedural Schedule.

Sincerely,

DENNIS J. MOSS
Administrative Law Judge