

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

In the Matter of the Petition for)	DOCKET UT-063061
Arbitration of an Interconnection)	
Agreement between)	
)	ORDER 04
QWEST CORPORATION,)	
)	
and)	GRANTING JOINT REQUEST
)	FOR CONTINUANCE
v.)	
)	
ESCHELON TELECOM, INC.)	
)	
Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 252(b).)	
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.....)	

MEMORANDUM

- 1 **NATURE OF PROCEEDING:** Docket UT-063061 involves Qwest Corporation’s (Qwest) request for arbitration of an interconnection agreement with Eschelon Telecom, inc., (Eschelon) pursuant to 47 U.S.C. §252(b) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.
- 2 **PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND:** The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) convened a prehearing conference in this docket at Olympia, Washington, on September 15, 2006, before Administrative Law Judge Patricia Clark. In Order 02 Prehearing Conference Order, the Commission established a procedural schedule.
- 3 **MOTION:** On October 5, 2006, the parties filed a joint request for continuance of the deadline for filing the third round of testimony. The parties requested that the deadline be extended from October 27, 2006, to October 31, 2006. The parties asserted that the continuance was necessary because Qwest is involved in hearings during the week of October 27, 2006.

- 4 **COMMISSION DECISION:** The joint motion for continuance of the deadline for filing rebuttal testimony should be granted. The parties stated good cause, participation by one party in other proceedings on the current filing deadline, to grant the request for continuance. The remainder of the procedural schedule established by Order 02 is not modified by this continuance.

ORDER

THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- (1) The joint motion for continuance of the deadline for filing rebuttal testimony and exhibits is granted.
- (2) By October 31, 2006, the parties shall submit prefiled rebuttal testimony and exhibits.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective October 5, 2006.

WASHINGTON STATE UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

PATRICIA CLARK
Administrative Law Judge