

March 3, 2009

**NOTICE OF BENCH REQUEST
(Due by Tuesday, March 10, 2009)**

RE: *In the Matter of the Joint Application of EMBARQ CORPORATION AND CENTURYTEL, INC. For Approval of Transfer of Control of United Telephone Company of the Northwest d/b/a Embarq and Embarq Communications, Inc., Docket UT-082119*

The following bench request is directed to Embarq Corporation and CenturyTel, Inc. Other parties, and former parties, may also respond.

Bench Request No. 1: Please provide 6 copies of all agreements entered into between you and Level 3 Communications, LLC; Comcast Phone of Washington, LLC, d/b/a Comcast Digital Phone; or, the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 89 that have resulted in each of these parties requesting leave to withdraw from this proceeding. Provide a narrative description of each agreement's terms and state whether the provisions provide guarantees or assurances, confer rights, or impose obligations that will not be generally available or applicable to competitive local exchange companies or customers.

Sincerely,

DENNIS J. MOSS
Administrative Law Judge

cc: All Parties
Level 3 Communications, LLC