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# **NOTICE OF BENCH REQUESTS** (Due by Monday, September 18, 2006)

### RE: Level 3/Qwest Arbitration, Docket UT-063006

The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) seeks information from the parties in the form of the following bench requests in considering testimony filed in Docket UT-063006:

### **TO: LEVEL 3:**

## **BENCH REQUEST NO. 1:**

Does Level 3 provide VNXX service in Washington State to any customers other than Internet Service Providers? If so, please identify the type of customer Level 3 serves, e.g., residential or business customer.

## **TO: ALL PARTIES:**

## **BENCH REQUEST NO. 2:**

Please provide details on the differences in the features and functionality between Local Interconnection Service (LIS) and Feature Group D (FGD) trunks. Include detailed information that explains why intrastate, interstate, and local calls can or cannot be mixed on LIS trunks. Please include any standards, both internal and industry, which may apply. If the above traffic has been mixed on LIS type trunks in other locations, please provide detailed information including what states and companies have been involved, and any differences between LIS type trunks in those jurisdiction and Qwest's LIS trunks.

Please respond to this Bench Request no later than Monday, **September 18, 2006**, with an original and 2 copies. If you have any questions concerning this request, please contact Administrative Law Judge Ann Rendahl at 360-664-1144, or via e-mail at <u>arendahl@wutc.wa.gov</u>.

To the extent it is applicable to the above requests, please provide your response to each request on a separate sheet of paper and repeat the bench request at the top of the page on which the response begins. Also, please indicate on the response the date the response was prepared, the individual who prepared the response, and the telephone number of the preparer. Please send your response via U.S. Mail to: Carole Washburn, Executive Secretary, Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, P.O. Box 47250, Olympia, WA 98504, and send an electronic response to the Records Center at records@wutc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

ANN E. RENDAHL Arbitrator, Administrative Law Judge

cc: All Parties