BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Six Month Review of Qwest Corporation's Performance Assurance Plan

In the Matter of Qwest Corporation's Notice of Modifications to Exhibit B and Exhibit K to the Statement of Generally Available Terms DOCKET NO. UT-033020

DOCKET NO. UT-043010

COMMISSION STAFF'S RESPONSIVE COMMENTS

On February 19, 2004, the Commission issued a Notice of Opportunity to File Comments concerning Qwest's compliance filing modifying Exhibits B and K of the SGAT. Commission Staff has reviewed Exhibits B and K and believes that the modifications properly reflect the Commission's determinations in the six-month review, as well as the administrative changes to Exhibit B that were agreed to by parties in the LTPA forum. In reviewing Exhibit B, Staff discovered one concern unrelated to the immediate compliance filing, which is that Exhibit B does not contain the PID PO-20 - Manual Service Order Accuracy. Staff contacted Qwest

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regarding this matter but has not yet heard back from the company. In the event PO-20 was excluded through an oversight, Qwest should be permitted to amend this filing to include PO-20 in Exhibit B..

DATED this 27th day of February, 2004.

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