

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE  
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

THE LUMMI NATION,	)	DOCKET NO. UT-060147
	)	
Complainant,	)	
	)	
v.	)	
	)	NOTICE OF PREHEARING
VERIZON NORTHWEST INC AND	)	CONFERENCE
QWEST CORPORATION,	)	(Set for March 23, 2006, 9:30 a.m.)
	)	
Respondent.	)	
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1 On January 23, 2006, The Lummi Nation filed with the Commission a complaint against Verizon Northwest Inc. (Verizon) and Qwest Corporation (Qwest). On February 14, 2006, Verizon and Qwest filed an answer to the complaint. The complaint alleges that Verizon and Qwest continued to charge for Foreign Exchange Service or FX Service after the service was disconnected. A more detailed account of the dispute is reflected in the complaint, which is available for inspection at the Commission’s office located at Chandler Plaza Building, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W., Olympia, Washington, and on the Commission’s web site at [www.wutc.wa.gov/060147](http://www.wutc.wa.gov/060147). It is appropriate that the matters raised in the pleadings be brought for hearing before the Commission.

2 The Commission will hear this matter pursuant to Part IV of chapter 34.05 RCW pertaining to adjudicative proceedings, including but not limited to RCW 34.05.413, RCW 34.05.422, RCW 34.05.431, RCW 34.05.440, RCW 34.05.449, and RCW 34.05.452. The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to Title 80 RCW, having legal authority to regulate the rates, services, and practices of telecommunications companies providing service within the state of Washington. Statutes and rules cited in the complaint include WAC 480-120-161, WAC 480-120-167, and WAC 480-120-171. Statutes involved, in addition to those previously cited, include those within chapters 80.01 RCW, 80.04 RCW, 480-07

WAC, and 480-120 WAC, including but not limited to RCW 80.01.040, RCW 80.04.020, and RCW 80.04.110.

3 The ultimate issues involved are generally stated above and more specifically contained in the complaint.

4 **THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE That a prehearing conference in this matter will be held at 9:30 a.m., on March 23, 2006, in the Commission's Hearing Room, Second Floor, Chandler Plaza Building, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W., Olympia, Washington.** The Commission prefers, and strongly recommends that Parties appear in person. However, if this imposes a hardship, Parties may attend the prehearing conference via the Commission's teleconference bridge **(360-664-3846)**. If you appear via the teleconference, you must place your call five minutes before the time that the conference is scheduled to begin.

5 The purpose of the prehearing conference is to take interventions, establish dates for distribution of evidence and workpapers and other scheduling matters, consider formulating the issues in the proceeding and to determine other matters to aid in its disposition, as specified in WAC 480-07-430.

6 Petitions to intervene should be made in writing at least three business days prior to the date scheduled for the prehearing conference, as required in WAC 480-07-355(a). The Commission will consider petitions to intervene made orally during the conference, but strongly prefers written petitions to intervene. In addition, party representatives must file notices of appearance with the Commission, as required by WAC 480-07-345(2), no later than the day prior to the conference. If any party or witness needs an interpreter or other assistance, please fill out the form attached to this notice and return it to the Commission. The time and place for any evidentiary hearings will be set at the prehearing conference, on the record of a later conference or hearing session, or by later written notice.



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9 Administrative Law Judge Dennis J. Moss, from the Utilities and Transportation  
Commission's Administrative Law Division, will preside during this proceeding.

10 Notice of any other procedural phase will be given in writing or on the record, as  
the Commission may deem appropriate during the course of this proceeding.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective this 23rd day of February, 2006.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CAROLE J. WASHBURN  
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The information needed to provide an appropriate interpreter or other assistance should be stated below and returned to Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, Attention: Carole J. Washburn, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive SW, P. O. Box 47250, Olympia, WA 98504-7250. (PLEASE SUPPLY ALL REQUESTED INFORMATION)

Docket No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Case Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Hearing Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Hearing Location: \_\_\_\_\_

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Hearing Impaired (Yes) \_\_\_\_\_ (No) \_\_\_\_\_

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English-speaking person who can be contacted if there are questions:

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