

[Service Date June 17, 2010]

June 17, 2010

**NOTICE SETTING DEADLINE FOR QWEST TO RESPOND TO
NORTH COUNTY'S MOTION TO COMPEL DISCOVERY RESPONSE
(Due by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, June 21, 2010)**

RE: *In the Matter of the Petition for Arbitration and Approval of an Interconnection Agreement Between North County Communications Corporation of Washington and Qwest Corporation Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 252(b), Docket UT-093035*

TO ALL PARTIES:

On Wednesday, June 16, 2010, at 3:59 p.m., North County Communications Corporation of Washington (North County) electronically submitted a motion to compel responses to data requests. Moments later, Qwest Corporation (Qwest) electronically expressed its opposition to North County's motion and any related request for an extension of time to file responsive testimony in this matter.

The Commission notes that Order 05, *Prehearing Conference Order*, previously entered on March 9, 2010, set Thursday, June 17, 2010, as the deadline for Pre-Filed Responsive Testimony. Order 05 also scheduled the arbitration hearing in this case for July 13-14, 2010.

In an attempt to promptly resolve the apparent discovery dispute expressed in North County's motion and preserve the existing procedural schedule in this docket, the Commission directs as follows:

- (a) the parties shall immediately engage in good faith efforts to informally resolve this dispute in accordance with WAC 480-07-425(1); and
- (b) failing such informal resolution, in accordance with WAC 480-07-375(4), Qwest shall file its response to North County's motion to compel no later than Monday, June 21, 2010.

The Commission may, on shortened notice, schedule a telephonic hearing on June 23, 2010, or June 24, 2010, to hear argument on the dispute and/or issue an oral ruling on the record.

THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE That Qwest must file with the Commission its response to North County's motion to compel by 5:00 p.m., Monday, June 21, 2010.

THE COMMISSION FURTHER GIVES NOTICE That the procedural schedule setting today as the deadline for Pre-Filed Responsive Testimony has NOT been altered. The need for supplemental testimony will be considered at a later date.

Sincerely,

ADAM E. TOREM
Administrative Law Judge / Arbitrator