

[Service Date May 22, 2009]

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**NOTICE OF EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE ANSWERS
(Now due Thursday, May 28, 2009)**

RE: *In the Matter of the Petition for Arbitration of an Interconnection Agreement Between Comcast Phone of Washington, LLC and Lewis River Telephone Company, d/b/a TDS Telecom, Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 252(b), Docket UT-083055*

TO ALL PARTIES:

On December 26, 2008, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) entered Order 04, Order Granting Motion to Extend Schedule, Notice of Rescheduled Hearing, revising the procedural schedule in this matter. By notice issued February 3, 2009, the Arbitrator granted the parties' request for an additional extension of the schedule. That revised schedule provides that answers to motions for summary determination must be filed with the Commission by Tuesday, May 26, 2009, and that the Arbitrator's Decision would be entered by Monday, July 13, 2009.

By telephone and letter on May 21, 2009, counsel for Comcast Phone of Washington, LLC (Comcast) notified the Commission of the company's request for an extension of two days to file answers to motions for summary determination on Thursday, May 28, 2009. Counsel for Lewis River Telephone Company, d/b/a TDS Telecom, does not object to the extension. Counsel for both parties expressed willingness to move the deadline for the Arbitrator's Decision to Wednesday, July 15, 2009.

According to WAC 480-07-385(2), the Commission will grant a timely request to which all parties expressly agree unless it is inconsistent with the public interest or the Commission's administrative needs. Comcast's request is timely. Granting an extension of time for two days does not result in unreasonable delay in the schedule, and is not inconsistent with the public interest. .

NOTICE IS GIVEN That Comcast's request for an extension of time for all parties to file answers to motions for summary determination until Thursday, May 28, 2009, is granted.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN That the deadline for entering the Arbitrator's Decision in this matter is extended from Monday, July 13, 2009, until Wednesday, July 15, 2009.

Sincerely,

ANN E. RENDAHL
Arbitrator
Director, Administrative Law Division