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Via E-mail and Overnight Mail

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## Re: Docket No. UT-051682 – AT&T/TWTC Complaint Amendments to Answer to Amended Complaint

Dear Ms. Washburn:

Enclosed are the original and 5 copies of Qwest's Amendments to Answer to Amended Complaint. The electronic copy is being provided by e-mail.

Pursuant to WAC 480-07-395(5), the Commission may allow amendments to pleadings, motions, or other documents on such terms as promote fair and just results. Qwest asks the Commission to accept the Amended Answer which adds affirmative defenses. This amendment is in response to the recent decision of the 10<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court of Appeals in <u>Qwest</u> <u>Corp. v. AT&T Corp.</u>, No. 05-1443, 2007WL 756418 (10<sup>th</sup> Cir. Mar. 14, 2007) and to reflect affirmative defenses raised in answers recently filed in similar proceedings initiated by AT&T in other jurisdictions.

Sincerely,

Lisa A. Anderl

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