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Ms. Carole J. Washburn, Executive Secretary Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission 1300 South Evergreen Park Drive SW Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket No. UT-033011

Dear Ms. Washburn:

Enclosed are the original and nineteen copies of Integra Telecom, Inc.'s Answer to the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission's Amended Complaint and Notice of Prehearing Conference.

RICHARD A. FINNIGAN

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8	TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,	
9	Complainant,	)
10	v.	)
11	ADVANCED TELECOM GROUP, INC.;	) INTEGRA TELECOM, INC.'S
12	ALLEGIANCE TELECOM, INC.; AT&T CORP., COVAD COMMUNICATIONS	) ANSWER TO THE WASHINGTON ) UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION
13	COMPANY; ELECTRIC LIGHTWAVE,	) COMMISSION'S AMENDED
14	INC.; ESCHELON TELECOM, INC. f/k/a ADVANCED TELECOMMUNICATIONS,	) COMPLAINT AND NOTICE OF ) PREHEARING CONFERENCE
15	INC.; FAIRPOINT COMMUNICATIONS SOLUTIONS, INC.; GLOBAL CROSSING	)
16	LOCAL SERVICES, INC.; INTEGRA TELECOM, INC.; MCI WORLDCOM, INC.;	) )
17	McLEODUSA, INC.; SBC TELECOM, INC.;	)
18	QWEST CORPORATION; XO COMMUNICATIONS, INC. f/k/a NEXTLINK	) )
19	COMMUNICATIONS, INC.,	)
20	Respondents.	)
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23	COMES NOW Defendant, Integra Telec	com, Inc. ("Integra"), by and through The Law
24	Office of Richard A. Finnigan, and submits this Answer to the Washington Utilities and	
25	Transportation Commission's ("WUTC" or "Co	mmission") Amended Complaint and Notice of
26	INTEGRA'S ANSWER AND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES TO WUTC'S AMENDED COMPLAINT - 1	Law Office of Richard A. Finnigan 2405 Evergreen Park Dr. SW Suite B-1 Olympia, WA 98502 (360) 956-7001

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## **ANSWER**

Prehearing Conference (hereafter "Complaint"). Defendant admits, denies, answers and alleges as

- 1. Paragraph 1 states matters which need not be admitted or denied.
- 2. Integra enters a general denial of the allegations contained in Paragraphs 2 through 9. Integra asserts that the documents cited in Paragraphs 2 through 9 speak for themselves, and therefore need not be admitted or denied. Integra asserts that it is not a competitive local exchange carrier ("CLEC"), does not provide telecommunications services in Washington and that the Commission has designated the wrong party as a Respondent in this matter. Integra further asserts that the allegations in Paragraphs 2 through 9 contain misstatements of law. Integra also alleges that Paragraphs 2 through 9 contain statements about which Integra is without knowledge sufficient to form a belief as to the truth or accuracy of the allegations, and Integra therefore denies these allegations.
- 3. Integra admits the allegations of Paragraph 10.
- 4. With respect to Paragraph 11, Integra denies that it is a CLEC and denies that the Commission has authority or jurisdiction to regulate it. Integra Telecom of Washington, Inc., a separate legal entity that is not a party to this matter, is a telecommunications company subject, in certain respects, to regulation by the WUTC. Integra asserts that RCW 80.01.040(3) speaks for itself and need not be admitted or denied. Further, Integra is without knowledge sufficient to form a belief as to the truth or accuracy of the remaining allegations of Paragraph 11, and Integra therefore denies these allegations.
- 5. Integra denies that the WUTC has jurisdiction in this matter because (1) Integra is not a CLEC as alleged in the Complaint; and (2) the contract at issue is not subject to the

Commission's regulation. Integra therefore denies that the WUTC has jurisdiction over this dispute as alleged in Paragraph 12.

- 6. With respect to Paragraph 13, Integra denies that it is a telecommunications company authorized to provide telecommunications service in the state of Washington. Integra is without knowledge sufficient to form a belief as to the truth or accuracy of the remaining allegations of Paragraph 13, and Integra therefore denies these allegations.
- 7. With respect to Paragraph 14, Integra denies that it is subject to regulation by the WUTC under Title 80 RCW. Integra denies any remaining allegations of Paragraph 14.
- 8. Integra is without knowledge sufficient to form a belief as to the truth or accuracy of the allegations of Paragraph 15 as they relate to the other parties designated by the Commission as Qwest and the CLEC Respondents, and Integra therefore denies these allegations. Further, Integra denies that the agreement at issue between Integra and Qwest was required to be filed with the Commission under 47 U.S.C. § 252.
- 9. With respect to Paragraph 16, Integra asserts that 47 U.S.C. § 252(a)(1) and (e) and RCW 80.36.150 speak for themselves and need not be admitted or denied. Integra denies that it was under any obligation to file the agreement listed in Exhibit A with the WUTC.
- 10. The allegations of Paragraph 17 do not pertain to Integra, and Integra is without knowledge sufficient to form a belief as to the truth or accuracy of the allegations of Paragraph 17, and Integra therefore denies these allegations.
- 11. Integra re-admits and re-denies as delineated above the allegations of Paragraphs 2 through 17 of the Complaint re-alleged by the WUTC in Paragraph 18.
- 12. With respect to Paragraph 19, Integra asserts that 47 U.S.C. § 252(a) speaks for itself and need not be admitted or denied. Integra denies that it is a CLEC.

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- 13. Integra denies the allegations of Paragraph 20 to the extent those allegations pertain to Integra. Further, Integra states that the obligation, if any existed, to file the agreement in question between Integra and Qwest with the Commission was the obligation of Qwest under 47 U.S.C. § 252(b) and not the obligation of Integra.
- 14. Integra re-admits and re-denies as delineated above the allegations of Paragraphs 2 through17 of the Complaint re-alleged by the WUTC in Paragraph 21.
- 15. With respect to Paragraph 22, Integra asserts that 47 U.S.C. § 252(e) speaks for itself and need not be admitted or denied.
- 16. Integra denies the allegations of Paragraph 23 to the extent those allegations pertain to Integra.
- 17. Paragraphs 24 through 26 are not applicable to Integra, and Integra is without knowledge sufficient to form a belief as to the truth or accuracy of the allegations of Paragraphs 24 through 26, and Integra therefore denies these allegations.
- 18. Integra re-admits and re-denies as delineated above the allegations of Paragraphs 2 through 17 of the Complaint re-alleged by the WUTC in Paragraph 27.
- 19. With respect to Paragraph 28, Integra asserts that RCW 80.36.150 speaks for itself and need not be admitted or denied.
- 20. Integra denies the allegations of Paragraph 29 to the extent those allegations pertain to Integra.
- 21. Paragraph 30 contains allegations that are not applicable to Integra, and Integra is without knowledge sufficient to form a belief as to the truth or accuracy of the allegations of Paragraph 30, and Integra therefore denies these allegations.
- 22. With respect to Paragraph 31, Integra asserts that RCW 80.04.380 and RCW 80.36.150 speak for themselves and need not be admitted or denied.

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- 23. Integra re-admits and re-denies as delineated above the allegations of Paragraphs 2 through 17 of the Complaint re-alleged by the WUTC in Paragraph 32.
- 24. Paragraphs 33 through 36 contain allegations that are not applicable to Integra, and Integra is without knowledge sufficient to form a belief as to the truth or accuracy of the allegations of Paragraphs 33 through 36, and Integra therefore denies these allegations.
- 25. Integra re-admits and re-denies as delineated above the allegations of Paragraphs 2 through 17 of the Complaint re-alleged by the WUTC in Paragraph 37.
- 26. Paragraphs 38 through 40 contain allegations that are not applicable to Integra, and Integra is without knowledge sufficient to form a belief as to the truth or accuracy of the allegations of Paragraphs 38 through 40, and Integra therefore denies these allegations.
- 27. Integra re-admits and re-denies as delineated above the allegations of Paragraphs 2 through 17 of the Complaint re-alleged by the WUTC in Paragraph 41.
- 28. Paragraphs 42 through 45 contain allegations that are not applicable to Integra, and Integra is without knowledge sufficient to form a belief as to the truth or accuracy of the allegations of Paragraphs 42 through 45, and Integra therefore denies these allegations.
- 29. Paragraphs 46 through 56 contain statements of procedure that need not be admitted or denied.
- 30. To the extent not admitted above, Integra specifically denies all other allegations in Paragraphs 2 through 56 of the Complaint.

## **AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES**

BY WAY OF FURTHER ANSWER, and by way of affirmative defenses, Integra hereby alleges the WUTC's claims should be dismissed, in whole or in part, based on the following affirmative defenses:

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