

August 17, 2004

**NOTICE OF FURTHER EXTENSION OF TIME
TO FILE RESPONSIVE TESTIMONY
(Due on Friday, August 27, 2004)**

**NOTICE OF CANCELLATION OF DATE
TO FILE PREHEARING BRIEF
(Scheduled for August 27, 2004)**

RE: *In the Matter of the Second Six-Month Review of Qwest Corporation's Performance Assurance Plan, Docket No. UT-043007.*

On August 17, 2004, Qwest Corporation (Qwest) submitted a letter electronically to the Commission notifying the Commission that Qwest had reached a settlement with all parties but Staff. On behalf of the settling parties and Staff, Qwest requests a further extension of time to file responsive testimony to allow Staff to review the settlement. The parties request an extension of time to file responsive testimony from Wednesday, August 18, 2004, until Friday, August 27, 2004. The parties also request an indefinite postponement of the August 27, 2004, deadline for filing prehearing briefs.

The parties' requests for a further extension of time to file responsive testimony until Friday, August 27, 2004, and for an indefinite postponement of the deadline for filing prehearing briefs are granted. The parties have met the requirements under WAC 480-07-385(3)(c) for an untimely request for extension of time. The parties' efforts to settle the issues in the proceeding and allow time for Staff to review the settlement demonstrate good cause for an untimely request for extension. The Commission usually extends or postpones filing deadlines only to a date certain. Given the state of settlement discussions, it is appropriate to postpone indefinitely the date for filing prehearing briefs in this proceeding.

Sincerely,

ANN E. RENDAHL
Administrative Law Judge