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NOTICE OF REVIEW OF PARTIAL SETTLEMENT

RE: *In the Matter of the Petition of Qwest Corporation for Commission Approval of Stipulation Regarding Certain Performance Indicator Definitions and Qwest Performance Assurance Plan Provisions, Docket UT-073034*

TO ALL PARTIES:

On April 2, 2008, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) received Qwest's Petition for Approval of PID/PAP 2008 Partial Settlement; a Partial Settlement of Disputed Issues; Exhibit 1, 2, and 3 in support of the Partial Settlement; and a Narrative in Support of 2008 Partial Settlement Agreement.

The Commission has now begun its review of these documents and notes that neither Qwest nor the other parties joining in the proposed settlement have provided a recommended effective date, as required by WAC 480-07-740(1). The Commission interprets this omission as an indication that none of the PAP or PID terms agreed upon must be implemented within twenty-one days after filing, the minimum period permitted under WAC 480-07-740(1)(b). Nevertheless, the Commission intends to take action on the proposed settlement prior to resolving the remaining disputed issues in this matter.

The Commission advises that its schedule for intended action on the proposed Partial Settlement of Disputed Issues will be incorporated into the remaining procedural schedule in this six-month review docket as follows:

Responsive Comments and Legal Arguments April 25, 2008

Commission Order on Partial Settlement (approx. date) May 6, 2008

Commission Order (approximate date) May 9, 2008

Finally, as a courtesy, the undersigned administrative law judge wishes to inform the parties that he will be out of the office beginning on Monday, April 7, 2008, and not returning to Olympia until Tuesday, April 22, 2008.

Thank you again for your efforts to reduce the number of issues in dispute in this matter.

Sincerely,

ADAM E. TOREM
Administrative Law Judge