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As we discussed yesterday regarding the discrepancy between the reports separately provided by Tel West and Qwest regarding the number Resale and UNE-P business lines provided by Tel West in Qwest exchanges, I brought this discrepancy to the attention of Qwest, who researched it, and today provided to me the following explanation for the discrepancy.

The date specified for reporting of the lines is 12/31/02. At that time Tel West and Qwest were in the process of converting the retail Centrex business lines of MetroNet (a company whose customers were obtained by Tel West a year earlier) to UNE-P. Per Qwest, they only reported wholesale business lines (i.e., via interconnection agreements) and did not include any retail resold services (e.g., MetroNet lines). The result is that Qwest's report of competitive business lines, as it relates to Tel West, is understated.

Therefore, Tel West cannot verify the Qwest-provided information, as required in Paragraph 5 of the Commission's Order No. 06 in Docket UT-030614. However, I believe the report provided to the Commission by Tel West on July 18, 2003 to be accurate.

Please contact me with any questions pertaining to this matter.

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