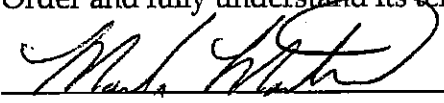


**EXHIBIT B (EXPERT AGREEMENT)**

AGREEMENT CONCERNING CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION  
IN DOCKET NO. UT-053040  
BEFORE THE  
WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

I, Mark R. Martell, as expert witness in this proceeding for Pend Oreille Telephone Company (a party to this proceeding) hereby agree to comply with and be bound by the Protective Order entered by the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission in Docket No. UT-053040 and acknowledge that I have reviewed the Protective Order and fully understand its terms and conditions.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

September 7, 2005  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Pend Oreille Telephone Company

Employer

892 W. Madison Avenue  
Glenns Ferry, ID 83623

Address

Administrative Manager

Position and Responsibilities

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The following portion is to be completed by the responding party and filed with the Commission within 10 days of receipt; failure to do so will constitute a waiver and the above-named person will be deemed an expert having access to Confidential Information under the terms and conditions of the protective order.

\_\_\_\_\_ No objection.

\_\_\_\_\_ Objection. The responding party objects to the above-named expert having access to Confidential Information. The objecting party shall file a motion setting forth the basis for objection and asking exclusion of the expert from access to Confidential Information.

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Signature

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Date