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## BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Petition of

**DOCKET NO. UT-061625** 

**QWEST CORPORATION** 

To be Regulated Under an Alternative Form of Regulation Pursuant to RCW 80.36.135

## EXHIBIT TO TESTIMONY OF

PAULA M. STRAIN

## STAFF OF WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

RE: Table of Current and Proposed Accounting and Reporting Requirements

January 29, 2007

## Qwest Petition for Approval of Alternative Form of Regulation UTC Commission Staff Summary of Qwest Accounting and Reporting Proposal

	Current Requirements	Qwest Proposal	Staff Proposal
Accounting Records	1998 USOA with UTC modifications – WAC 480-120-359	Same accounting as used to report to the FCC	Accounting used to report to the FCC as of date of transition from MR to JR books
Currently-reported Adjustments:	Calculated at least annually	Calculated if needed for revenue requirement analysis	Calculate as needed for 6-month transition review and maintain ability to calculate in future.
Dex Sale	Maintained/Reported		
amortization	3.6.2.4.3.1/19	Continue Reporting	Continue Reporting
Rural Exchange Sale	Maintained/Reported		
Previous AFOR Sharing Adj.	Maintained/Reported		·
Deprec. Expense and Reserve Differences	Maintained/Reported (1)	Discontinue calculating and	Discontinue calculating and reporting NOI
AFUDC	Maintained/Reported	reporting NOI impact.	impact. Fix RB amount
Flow-through Non- Property Income Tax	Maintained/Reported	Fix RB amount and continue reporting as	and continue reporting as standing rate base
Software Capitalization	Maintained/Reported	standing rate base adjustment(2)	adjustment(2).
Pension Asset	Maintained/Reported	Discontinue	Discontinue calculating.
Post-Retirement Benefits	Maintained/Reported	calculating. However, these adjustments can	Calculate as needed for 6-month transition
Disallowed Plant	Maintained/Reported	still be calculated and	review and maintain
Interest Synchronization	Maintained/Reported	used in revenue requirement analyses.	ability to calculate in future.
EOP Def Inc Tax	Maintained/Reported		
Annual Report	WAC 480-120-385(1)	WAC 480-120-385 (1) during transition; WAC 480-120-382 thereafter	WAC 480-120-385 (1) during transition; re- evaluate at end of 4- year AFOR term
Quarterly Report	WAC 480-120-385(2)	None (WAC 480-120- 385(2) waived)	None

<sup>(1)</sup> Effect of adjustment on NOI will change if depreciation technical update filed December 27, 2006 takes effect and/or if waiver of depreciation prescription rules is granted.

<sup>(2)</sup> Amount of standing rate base adjustment would be adjusted to reflect write-off of net plant if waiver of depreciation prescription is granted.