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NOTICE SUSPENDING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

RE: *WUTC v. Verizon Northwest, Inc.*, Docket UT-090073

TO ALL PARTIES:

During the first prehearing conference in this proceeding, the parties requested a four month procedural schedule to hearing. They stated this would allow them sufficient time for settlement negotiations considering the availability of necessary personnel and other factors. The Commission granted the parties' request and scheduled evidentiary hearings for August 19 and 20, 2009, with the understanding that were such hearings necessary, all testimony would be live rather than prefiled. On July 29, 2009, counsel for Commission Staff filed a letter with the Commission stating that the parties have reached a settlement in principle that will resolve all issues in this proceeding. According to Staff's letter, the parties require additional time to reduce their agreements to writing and file a settlement agreement and supporting documents. They accordingly ask that the procedural schedule be suspended.

Commission Staff, on behalf of the parties, establishes good cause to suspend the procedural schedule. Although continuances of procedural schedules ordinarily should be to specific dates, the Commission in this instance will simply suspend the schedule with the understanding that the parties are expected to be diligent in preparing all necessary documents and filing them for the Commission's consideration.

The Commission gives notice that the procedural schedule in this proceeding is suspended with any further procedural dates to be established by subsequent notice or order.

Sincerely,

DENNIS J. MOSS
Senior Review Judge