

[Service Date April 14, 2009]

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**NOTICE SUSPENDING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE  
(Canceling Hearing Set for April 15 and 16, 2009, 9:30 a.m.)**

*RE: In the Matter of the Joint Application of EMBARQ CORPORATION AND CENTURYTEL, INC. For Approval of Transfer of Control of United Telephone Company of the Northwest d/b/a Embarq and Embarq Communications, Inc., Docket UT-082119*

TO ALL PARTIES:

On January 6, 2009, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission entered *Order 01 – Prehearing Conference Order* in the above matter. The prehearing conference order set a hearing for April 15 and 16, 2009. On April 13, 2009, the parties in this proceeding informally notified the Commission that they have reached a global settlement in principle, but require additional time to reduce the details of their agreement in writing. On April 14, 2009, the parties formalized their request for suspension of the procedural schedule while they finalize the global settlement and supporting narrative. The Commission finds good cause to suspend the procedural schedule.

**NOTICE IS GIVEN That the procedural schedule in this docket is suspended pending filing by the parties of their settlement agreement and supporting documentation and/or further notice by the Commission.**

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN That the evidentiary hearing previously scheduled to begin on April 15, 2009, at 9:30 a.m. is canceled.** The Commission will schedule, by separate notice, a hearing to consider the settlement agreement and other pending matters.

Sincerely,

DENNIS J. MOSS  
Administrative Law Judge