July 22, 2010

NOTICE ESTABLISHING DEADLINE FOR FILING NARRATIVE IN SUPPORT OF SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND SUSPENDING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

(Deadline for Filing Narrative in Support of Settlement: August 12, 2010)

RE: Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission v. Qwest Corporation
Docket UT-091870

TO ALL PARTIES OF RECORD:

On April 30, 2010, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) issued a complaint against Qwest Corporation (Qwest) and Notice of Prehearing Conference. In the Complaint, the Commission sought penalties in the amount of \$69,000 for 69 alleged violations of the Commission's service quality rules. By Order 01, *Prehearing Conference Order*, entered May 26, 2010, the Commission, among other things, established a procedural schedule.

On July 21, 2010, the parties filed a Settlement Agreement (Settlement) resolving all disputed issues in this matter. In the letter accompanying the Settlement, the parties stated that they did not intend to file additional documentation supporting the Settlement but that the parties were prepared to present one or more witnesses each to testify in support of the Settlement, should such testimony be required. The parties requested that the Commission suspend the procedural schedule in this matter.

On July 22, 2010, the presiding officer initiated a conference call between all parties and advised the parties that a Narrative in Support of Settlement should be filed in accordance with WAC 480-07-740(2)(a) and, with the additional information the Commission should be able to resolve this matter based on a paper record obviating the need for hearing. The parties concurred that they could prepare the required narrative by August 12, 2010. The deadline proposed by the parties is reasonable and should be adopted. The Commission further determines that the procedural schedule established by Order 01 in this matter should be suspended.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That the deadline for filing a Narrative in Support Settlement is August 12, 2010. Further, the procedural schedule established by Order 01, *Prehearing Conference Order*, is suspended.

Sincerely,

PATRICIA CLARK Administrative Law Judge