



March 20, 2003

Carole Washburn, Executive Secretary  
Washington Utilities and  
Transportation Commission  
1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W.  
P.O. Box 47250  
Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

Dear Ms. Washburn:

This letter is to inform you that on March 19, 2003, Qwest sent out notification pursuant to Section 5.7 of the SGAT and Section 13.3 of the QPAP. The notice went to all CLECs with Interconnection Agreements with Qwest and stated:

Beginning on Tuesday, March 18, 2003, Qwest experienced a severe storm that may impact its ability to meet its performance obligations. Qwest is currently working to assess the issue fully.

Pursuant to SGAT Section 5.7 and QPAP Section 13.3, Qwest is providing notification of this event to the extent that a delay or failure in performance was caused by these circumstances.

Qwest is in the process of investigating this occurrence to determine the impact.

A paper copy of this letter will be delivered on March 21, 2003.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Mark Reynolds