BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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)	ORDER APPROVING
)	NEGOTIATED AGREEMENT FOR
)	INTERCONNECTION AND
)	RESALE OF SERVICES
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BACKGROUND

This matter comes before the Washington Utilities and Transportation
 Commission (Commission) for approval of a negotiated agreement for
 interconnection and the resale of specified exchange services (Agreement) under
 the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (Telecom Act). The Agreement is between
 Reach One d/b/a Reach One Communications and Qwest Corporation (Qwest).
 On February 21, 2003, the parties filed a joint request that Reach One adopt
 Qwest's Statement of Generally Available Terms (SGAT). The Commission is
 treating the proposed adoption as a fully negotiated agreement under Section
 252 of the Telecom Act.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

2 (1) The Commission is an agency of the State of Washington vested by statute with the authority to regulate public service companies, including telecommunications companies. *RCW 80.01.040; Chapter 80.04 and Chapter 80.36 RCW*.

- 3 (2) Section 252(e)(1) of the Telecom Act requires parties to a negotiated agreement to submit the agreement to the Commission for approval. Section 252(e)(2)(A) states that the Commission may only reject an agreement (or any portion thereof) adopted by negotiation if it finds that: (i) the agreement (or any portion thereof) discriminates against a 4 telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement; or 5 (ii) the implementation of such agreement or portion is not consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity. (3) Qwest is engaged in the business of furnishing telecommunications 6 services including, but not limited to, basic local exchange service within the state of Washington. (4) Reach One is authorized to provide telecommunications services to the 7 public in the state of Washington. 8 (5) On February 21, 2003, the parties filed a joint request that Reach One adopt Qwest's SGAT. The Commission is treating the proposed adoption as a fully negotiated agreement under Section 252 of the Telecom Act. 9 (6) Reach One and Qwest voluntarily negotiated the entire Agreement. (7)The Agreement between Reach One and Qwest was brought before the 10 Commission at its regularly scheduled meeting on March 12, 2003.
- 11 (8) The Agreement does not discriminate against any other telecommunications carrier.

- 12 (9) The Agreement will facilitate local exchange competition in the state of Washington.
- (10) The Agreement is consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity.
- 14 (11) The Agreement meets the requirements of Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecom Act, including Section 252(e).
- (12) The laws and regulations of the State of Washington and Commission
 Orders govern the construction and interpretation of the Agreement. The
 Agreement is subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission.
- 16 (13) After examination of the proposed Agreement filed by Qwest Corporation and Reach One on February 21, 2003, and giving consideration to all relevant matters, the Commission finds the proposed Agreement should be approved.

O R D E R

THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- 17 (1) The Agreement for interconnection and resale of services between Reach One d/b/a Reach One Communications and Qwest Corporation, which the parties filed on February 21, 2003, is approved and effective as of the date of this Order.
- 18 (2) In the event that the parties revise, modify, or amend the agreement approved in this Order, the revised, modified, or amended agreement will be deemed to be a new agreement under the Telecom Act and must be

submitted to the Commission for approval, pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(1) and relevant provisions of state law, prior to taking effect.

(3) The laws and regulations of the State of Washington and Commission
 Orders govern the construction and interpretation of the Agreement. The
 Agreement is subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective this 12th day of March, 2003.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

MARILYN SHOWALTER, Chairwoman

RICHARD HEMSTAD, Commissioner

PATRICK J. OSHIE, Commissioner