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VIA EMAIL & FEDERAL EXPRESS

Ms. Carole J. Washburn, Executive Secretary
Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission
1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive SW
P.O. Box 47250
Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: *AT&T v. Qwest*, Docket No. UT-051682

Dear Ms. Washburn:

The parties in the above-referenced proceeding have been engaged in settlement discussions and believe that they are close enough to reaching an agreement that the best use of their resources would be to focus on those discussions. Accordingly AT&T requests that the Commission suspend the procedural schedule in this docket so that the parties can more effectively continue their settlement negotiations. I have spoken with counsel for Qwest and am authorized to represent that Qwest concurs in this request.

Very truly yours,

Davis Wright Tremaine LLP

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G. Kopta', written over the printed name of Gregory J. Kopta.

Gregory J. Kopta

cc: Service List