

QWEST CORPORATION

STATE: Washington
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INTERVENOR: Bench Requests
REQUEST NO: BCH 02-003

REQUEST:

Please provide the business line counts for the Bellevue Glencourt, Orchards, and Spokane Walnut wire centers utilizing the methodology approved by the Commission in Order 06, Docket UT-053025.

RESPONSE:

Please See HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL Attachment A. This attachment provides December 2006 business line counts for the Bellevue Glencourt, Orchards and Spokane Walnut wire centers using the ARMIS methodology approved by the Commission in Order 06 in Docket UT-053025 (See para No. 48 of Order).

Respondent: Bob Brigham

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According to the Joint CLEC comments filed in response to Bench Request No. 1, both Qwest and the Joint CLECs request approval of the Settlement Agreement in this proceeding only for the signatories of the document rather than all CLECs in Washington. If the use of the Settlement Agreement business count methodology and the business count methodology established by UT-053025 result in different wire center impairment status or result in different Tier levels, how will the conflict be resolved in Qwest's filing of non-impaired wire centers with the Federal Communications Commission?

RESPONSE:

While Qwest is requesting approval of the Settlement Agreement as pertaining to the signatories of that document, there is nothing to preclude the Commission from independently changing its earlier methodology to be consistent with the methodology contained in the Settlement Agreement. Both Qwest and the CLECs agreed on a simplified methodology for calculating business lines. This methodology has been found to be appropriate by the Commissions in three states thus far, Minnesota, Oregon and Utah. Qwest believes that altering the methodology in Order No. 6 would provide for a consistent process across states and would provide both Qwest and CLECs with an efficient and effective process for designation of future wire centers in the state of Washington.

Respondent: Carolyn Hammack