

March 20, 2007

**NOTICE OF HEARING ON SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT
(Set for April 3, 2007 at 9:30 a.m.)**

RE: *Qwest VNXX Complaint*, Docket UT-063038.

TO PARTIES OF RECORD:

On March 7, 2007, Qwest and MCImetro Access Transmission Services LLC d/b/a Verizon Access Transmission Services (Verizon Access) submitted to the Commission a joint motion to approve a settlement agreement and to dismiss Qwest's complaint as to Verizon Access. Qwest and Verizon access also filed a narrative supporting the settlement agreement.

Commission Staff filed a response to the joint motion on March 19, 2007, asking that Commission consideration of the settlement be deferred and that the Qwest/Verizon Access settlement become those parties' litigation position during the hearing scheduled to begin April 23, 2007, in this case.

In order to facilitate review of the agreement, the Commission concludes that it should convene a hearing to address whether approving the agreement would serve the public interest, or whether consideration of the agreement should be deferred. The Commission expects that Qwest, Verizon Access, and Staff will present witnesses and/or be prepared to argue their positions on the agreement at a hearing.

If all parties agree that Commission consideration of the agreement may be deferred, they should advise the Commission prior to April 3, 2007.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that the Commission will convene a hearing on the settlement agreement on April 3, 2007 at 9:30 a.m. in the Commission's Hearing Room, Second Floor, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W., Olympia, Washington.

Sincerely,

THEODORA M. MACE
Administrative Law Judge