May 19, 2000

NOTICE OF ISSUANCE OF COMMISSION BENCH REQUEST

(May 26, 2000)

RE: In the Matter of the Investigation Into U S WEST COMMUNICATIONS, INC.'s Compliance with Section 271 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

Docket No. UT-003022

TO PARTIES OF RECORD:

The Commission issues the following bench requests to U S WEST Communications, Inc.:

BENCH REQUEST NO. 21:

On the matrix entitled "271 Checklist References to Interconnection Contracts in Washington," please provide:

- a. The WUTC docket number for each of the agreements listed in the column headings; and,
- b. An explanation of what documents are represented by the last 5 column headings on the matrix, which are: Version 2.1, Version 2.2, Version 2.3, Version 5 and Version 6.

BENCH REQUEST NO. 22:

Testimony of Margaret S. Bumgarner:

On page 4, line 14, you state that U S WEST is no longer the code administrator in its region.

a. What is U S WEST's current requirement for use of Local Routing Numbers (LRNs) by competing carriers?

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- b. How many LRNs are required per rate center?
- c. How many LRNs are required per LATA?
- d. Has this requirement changed during the past 12 months? If yes, what were the requirements for use of LRNs by CLECs prior to the change?
- e. How many LRNs are needed by U S WEST per rate center? Per LATA?

Please respond no later than May 26, 2000, with an original and five copies.

Sincerely,

C. ROBERT WALLIS, Administrative Law Judge