

[Service Date January 12, 2010]

January 12, 2010

**NOTICE GRANTING REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCE  
and  
NOTICE OF STATUS CONFERENCE  
(Set for February 8, 2010, at 11:00 a.m.)**

RE: *In the Matter of the Petition for Arbitration and Approval of an Interconnection Agreement Between North County Communications Corporation of Washington and Qwest Corporation Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 252(b), Docket UT-093035*

TO ALL PARTIES:

On November 25, 2009, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) entered *Order 04 – Prehearing Conference Order* in the above matter. Order 04, among other things, states that the parties are close to finalizing a negotiated interconnection agreement. Further, counsel for North County reported that the company would finalize a draft to send to Qwest by December 1, 2009, and that the parties intend to resolve the final wording of the agreement by December 15.

On January 8, 2010, North County filed with the Commission a letter requesting the Commission continue the stay in this proceeding for thirty days so that the parties may make a good faith effort to settle some of the remaining issues. All parties agree to a thirty day continuance. The parties' request for continuance is granted.

**THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE That it will conduct a status conference in this proceeding on February 8, 2010, at 11:00 a.m., in Room 108, First Floor, Richard Hemstad Building, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W., Olympia, Washington.** Parties who find it more convenient to attend telephonically may participate via the Commission's teleconference bridge line at **(360) 664-3846**.

Sincerely,

ANN E. RENDAHL  
Administrative Law Judge