

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

In the Matter of the Application of)	DOCKET NO. UT-050557
)	
QWEST CORPORATION)	ORDER NO. 01
)	
Regarding the Sale and Transfer of)	
Property.)	ORDER GRANTING
)	APPLICATION
.....)	

BACKGROUND

- 1 On April 11, 2005, Qwest Corporation (QC or Company) filed an application with the Commission pursuant to the provisions of chapter 80.12 RCW for an order authorizing the sale and transfer of land and a building to Washington Real Estate Holdings, LLC.

- 2 The assets to be sold consist of land, a building, certain leases associated with the building, and certain intangible assets associated with the building as described in the Confidential Exhibit A to the application. The aggregate net book value of the property was \$14,480,870 as of February, 2005. The assets will be sold at greater than net book value.

- 3 According to the application and supporting materials filed by the Company, the land and building are no longer necessary or useful to QC in its provision of services to the public. QC received multiple offers for the property and selected the highest bidder. QC believes that the sale price reflects fair market value for the property.

FINDINGS

- 4 (1) Qwest Corporation, a Colorado corporation, is a public service
company subject to regulation by this Commission under the
provisions of chapter 80.12 RCW.
- 5 (2) As to form, the application filed herein meets the requirements of
chapter 80.12 RCW and the rules and regulations adopted pursuant
thereto.
- 6 (3) This matter was brought before the Commission at its regularly
scheduled meeting on May 11, 2005.
- 7 (4) It appears, upon investigation, that the sale and transfer of certain
property described herein, is reasonable and consistent with the public
interest and should, therefore, be approved.

ORDER

THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- 8 (1) Subject to the conditions of this order, Qwest Corporation is hereby
authorized to sell and transfer assets as described in the application
herein to Washington Real Estate Holdings, LLC.
- 9 (2) Within 30 days after closing the sale, Qwest Corporation shall file a
verified statement setting forth in reasonable detail the disposition of
gain or loss on the sale and transfer made pursuant to this Order
including the journal entries.
- 10 (3) This Order shall in no way affect the authority of this Commission
over rates, services, accounts, valuations, estimates or determination of

costs, or any matter whatsoever that may come before it, nor shall anything herein be construed as an acquiescence in any estimate or determination of cost, or any valuation of property claimed or asserted.

11 The Commissioners, having determined this filing complies with the requirements of Chapter 80.12 RCW, directed the Secretary to enter this Order.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective this 11th day of May, 2005.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CAROLE J. WASHBURN, Secretary