

August 18, 2009

**NOTICE OF SECOND EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE NARRATIVE
IN SUPPORT OF PROPOSED SETTLEMENT
(Narrative Now Due on Monday, August 24, 2009)**

**NOTICE OF EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE COMMENTS
ON SETTLEMENT DOCUMENTS
(Comments Now Due on Wednesday, August 26, 2009)**

RE: *Verizon Select Services, Inc.; MCIMetro Access Transmission Services, LLC; MCI Communications Services, Inc.; Teleconnect Long Distance Services and Systems Co. d/b/a Telecom USA; and TTI National, Inc., v. United Telephone Company of the Northwest, d/b/a Embarq*, Docket UT-081393

TO ALL PARTIES:

On August 5, 2009, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) entered Order 04, *Third Prehearing Conference Order*, in this docket. Order 04 set out a revised procedural schedule for this matter, including a filing deadline of Wednesday, August 12, 2009, for the Settlement Agreement and the required Narrative. On Wednesday, August 12, 2009, Embarq requested and was granted an extension of that filing deadline, receiving one additional day to file the Settlement Agreement and until Monday, August 17, 2009, to file the supporting Narrative.

On Monday, August 17, 2009, Embarq and Verizon jointly requested (via e-mail) a further one week extension of the deadline for filing the supporting Narrative. Consequently, Commission Staff requested an equal postponement of its deadline to file comments on the proposed settlement documentation. AT&T concurred with Staff's request.

Embarq's and Verizon's joint request for another week of time to file the Narrative supporting their proposed Settlement Agreement is granted. The request complies with the requirements contained in WAC 480-07-385 and, at this time, will not prejudice the parties

or the Commission, nor will this additional week's extension of time jeopardize the established date of Wednesday, September 9, 2009, for the Commission to conduct an evidentiary hearing on the proposed settlement. However, further requests for additional delays may negatively impact the Commission's ability to adequately prepare for the scheduled hearing and, due to the scheduling demands of the upcoming months, result in undesirable delays of the hearing on the proposed settlement.

The deadline for submission of the Narrative shall now be Monday, August 24, 2009. The deadline for Commission Staff and AT&T to file their comments, if any, on the settlement documents shall now be Wednesday, August 26, 2009.

All other provisions of Order 04 remain in effect. Thank you for your attention to these matters.

Sincerely,

ADAM E. TOREM
Administrative Law Judge