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RE: Eschelon Telecom of Washington, Inc. v. Qwest Corporation  
Docket No. UT-033039

Dear Counsel:

This is to advise you of the need to extend the date for entry of an initial order in this case.

Reply briefs were filed in this case on December 5, 2003 pursuant to the agreed schedule. According to WAC 480-09-530, the Commission's rule governing the enforcement of telecommunications interconnection agreements, an initial order should be entered 21 days from the date of the last submission in this case.

Based on the date reply briefs were filed, this would require entry of an initial order on or before December 26, 2003. Due to the press of work related to preparation of the Commission's Final Order in Docket No. UT-030614 and to the need to address matters associated with the Commissions' pending recurring cost docket, UT-023003, good cause is shown for an extension of the date for the initial order. The initial order will be entered on or before January 9, 2003.

Sincerely,

THEODORA M. MACE  
Administrative Law Judge