

EXHIBIT C (Highly Confidential Information Agreement)

AGREEMENT CONCERNING HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION
IN DOCKET NO. UT-053025
BEFORE THE
WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

I, Karen L. Clauson, am

an attorney for Eschelon Telecom, Inc.

an independent consultant for _____

a person who is otherwise authorized to have access to the Highly Confidential Information produced by _____, a party to this proceeding, by virtue of the written consent of that party or by virtue of an order of the Commission

I hereby agree that: (a) I have read a copy of this Protective Order with Highly Confidential Provisions and agree to be comply with and be bound thereby; (b) I will not disclose any Highly Confidential Information, or the contents thereof to which I become privy, to any person not entitled thereto under the terms of the Protective Order with Highly Confidential Provisions; and (c) I will not use such Highly Confidential Information except in connection with this litigation.

/s/ Karen L. Clauson
Signature

February 22, 2006
Date

Eschelon Telecom, Inc.
Employer
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Address

Senior Director of Interconnection/
Senior Attorney
Position and Responsibilities

The following portion is to be completed by the responding party and filed with the Commission within 10 days of receipt. Failure to do so will constitute a waiver and the above-named person will be deemed an expert having access to Highly Confidential Information under the terms and conditions of the protective order.

_____ No objection.

_____ Objection. The responding party objects to the above-named expert having access to Highly Confidential Information. The objecting party shall file a motion setting forth the basis for objection and asking exclusion of the expert from access to Highly Confidential Information.

Signature

Date