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3775 Martin Way E. / Olympia, WA 98506 / (360) 491-4060 / Fax: (360) 438-6146

September 11, 2003

Comments - Docket # 030614 MUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

The Qwest request to deregulate business telephone rates should be rejected.

Sincerely,

Jim Truax The Smoke Stack 3775 Martin Way 98506 Olympia WA 360-491-4060

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Dear Commissioners:

As a business telephone customer, I do not believe there is enough competition to keep telephone rates affordable. Please reject the Quest request.

Sincerely,

Jack Vanderhof Capital City Stove 2118 Pacific Ave. Olympia, WA 98506 360-943-5587 September 4, 2003

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Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

Please do not approve the Qwest request. There is enough competition to allow deregulation of business telephone rates.

Sincerely,

David Cowan
Belgate Printing & Copy
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Bellevye, WA 98004

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## mobile electrical distributors inc.

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September 9, 2003

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Re: Docket#030614

**Dear Commissioners:** 

I am a Qwest business customer. I do not believe there is enough competition to ensure our telephone rates will remain low. Please reject the Qwest request to classify their business telephone service as competitive.

Sincerely,

Colleen Hallett

**Mobile Electrical Distributors** 

Colleen Hellett

14050 Lake City Way NE

Seattle WA 98125

206-363-2400

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RE: DOCKET # 030614

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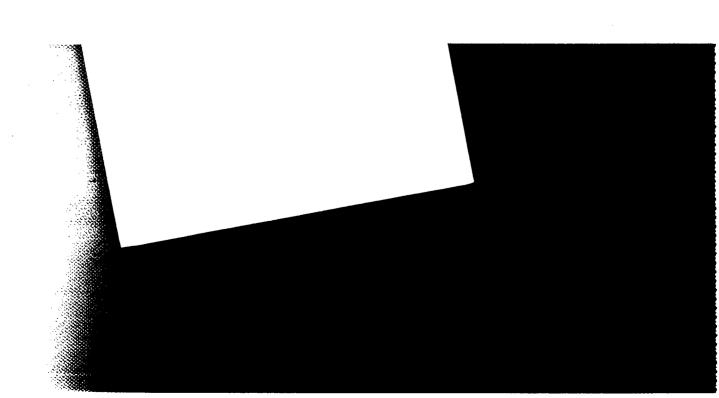
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Sincerely,

Patricia Taylor

Small Business Center of Washington

PU DOX 302

Bellevue, WA 98004

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DEAR COMMISSIONERS:

THERE IS NOT ENOUGH COMPETITION TO ALLOW DEREGULATION OF BUSINESS TELEPHONE RATES AS QWEST HAS REQUESTED. PLEASE REJECT THE QWEST REQUEST.

SINCERELY,

DANIELLE SMITH

SMALL BUSINESS CENTER OF WASHINGTON

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DATE 9-8-03

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Sincerely,

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Seattle, WA 98124

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September 8, 2003

Washington Utility and Transportation Commission P.O. Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504

509-466-2517

Re: Docket Number: UT-030614

To Whom It May Concern:

I would like to request that Qwest's petition to deregulate their business services is denied. In my area there is no other company to obtain business service, and until there is any real competition there is no need for this action. With no other company(s) to compare with I would not want to see an increase in my business service rates.

Sincerely,

Mary Masingale Owner

cc: Assistant State Director Mark Johnson at NFIB Headquarters

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P.O. Box 774 - Mercer Island, WA 98040 Accounting Address: 111 Jewell Street - Enumclew, WA 98022 Phone: 206.232.1266 / 877.426.4500 Fax: 360.825.4614

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I strongly oppose as a small business owner this petition, docket number: UT-030614

Richard D. Martin

President

Martin Motors, Inc.



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Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

Please oppose the proposal by Qwest to deregulate business telephone rates. There is not enough competition.

Sincerely,

Spokanite Dry Cleaners

W. 718 Garland

Spokane, WA 99205



September 8, 2003

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Re: Docket # 030614

**Dear Commissioners:** 

I oppose deregulation of business telephone rates by Qwest.

Sincerely,

**Michael Hubbell** 

**H & B Superior Metals** 

421 N. Sycamore Ave.

Spokane, WA 99202

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Sincerely,

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MELSON TRUCKING COMPANY, INC.

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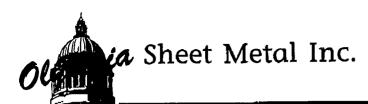
We do not believe there is enough competition to ensure telephone rates will remain low. Please oppose the Qwest request to deregulate their business telephone rates.

Sincerely,

PETER R. WHITEHEAD

**PRESIDENT** 

**NELSON TRUCKING CO., INC.** 



2839 Marvin Road N.E. Olympia, WA 98516-3170 (360) 491-1123

Fax: (360) 491-1113

September 11, 2003

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Dear Commissioners:

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Sincerely,

Helga Rebitzer

Olympia Sheet Metal

2839 Marvin Rd. NE

Olympia WA 98516

360-491-1123

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Sincerely,

1024 S. 2nd Ave.

Yakima, WA 98902-4616

509-248-2609

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As a Qwest customer, I urge oppose the Commission granting Qwest competitive status for their business telephone service. There is not enough competition to ensure our telephone rates will remain low.

Sincerely,

John Timm

Western Appraisers
1024 S. 2nd Ave.

Yakima, WA 98902-4616

509-248-2609

Medical Transcription Associates, Inc.



September 9, 2003

Washington Utility & Transportation Commission P.O.Box 47250 Olympia, Washington 98540

#### Dear Commissioners:

It is of great importance that you not deregulate business phone rates. We are a small business, struggling to keep our heads above water and stay in business. Yeas, we only employ 38 people, but our is the type of business that provides the largest numbers of jobs in today's economy.

Already our phone bills exceed several thousand's per month. Although I have tried, I have not been able to get service from other providers. The type of business we run requires a large amount of telephone equipment, time and lines. With all of the taxes we must pay on phone services, increased rates would be the last straw. We are already facing great pressure from offshore companies, performing work over the Internet.

Too allow Qwest the option to raise our rates, when completion has not been allowed a strong foothold, could put us out of business.

Sincerely,

Michael Hastings

Marketing Director/Owner

### UTEC METALS, INC.

17305 East Euclid Avenue Spokane, Washington 99216 (509) 922-1832 Fax (509) 924-5016

September 5, 2003

Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission P. O. Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

RE: DOCKET #030614

Dear Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission:

I understand that the WUTC staff is recommending that you allow deregulation of Qwest business services.

It will harm countless small businesses in Washington if this is allowed, ours included. Qwest will be allowed to set their own pricing for business services and there will be no regulation of their charges. Deregulation is supposed to happen when there is significant competition in the local market. This competition does not exist in Washington. Qwest will be able to charge whatever they want and consumers will have no choice but to pay outrageous rates. (While they provide very poor customer service.)

My company attempted to change local providers approximately 3 years ago and after approximately 6 weeks were forced to switch back to Qwest. We were unable to obtain voice messaging with the other carrier. The other carrier said this was because Qwest was not making changes needed so the service could be transferred to the other carrier (McLeod). I understand other carriers purchase lines/service from Qwest and re-sell to the consumer. If these conditions exist, Qwest still has control of phone lines/service and have there is no true competition regardless of who claims to be a local service provider.

Attorney General Gregoire publicly opposes the deregulation because it will hurt small businesses and that Qwest cannot meet the criteria needed for deregulation to be approved. I hope she will continue to oppose the deregulation. Small businesses in Washington cannot continue to absorb undeserved cost increases for services. Please support us in this matter and reject the request for deregulation of business services.

Sincerely,

Melody Ervir

Office Manager for UTEC Metals, Inc.

August 20, 2003

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Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

Please do not approve the Qwest request to deregulate business telephone rates.

Sincerely

Matt DeKerrie Roofmaster

1819 South Central Space 69

Kent, WA 98032
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Dear Commissioners:

As a Qwest business customer we do not believe there is enough competition to ensure telephone rates will remain low. Please oppose the Qwest request to deregulate their business telephone rates.

Sincerely,

Richard D. Howard

Dick Howard & Sons Electric, Inc

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Sincerely,

Stephen Davenport

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Bellingham, WA 98225

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Michelle Smith

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Dear Commissioners:

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Sincerely,

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#### **SEPTEMBER 8, 2003**



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Sincerely,

Bill Henderson B & J Fiberglass 4905 Guide Meridian Bellingham WA 98226 360-398-9342 September 8, 2003

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Sincerely

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PO Box 10385 Yakima, WA 98909

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Sincerely,

Greg Anderson

Design Service Corporation

PO Box 10385

Yakima, WA 98909

509-248-8531

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Sincerely,

Bruce Tate
Bruce Tate, CPA
40 Lake Bellevue Dr. Suite 260
Bellevue, WA 98004

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Sincerely,

Steve Demopoulos

Marine Supply & Hardware

P.O. Box 350

Anacortes WA 98221

360-293-3014



## BASIN CITY AUTO PARTS, INC.

9/5/2003

WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

**Dear Commissioners:** 

Very soon you will be making a decision whether to grant or disapprove a request by Qwest to eliminate government controls on rates they may charge. I strongly disapprove of granting this request.

There is not as much competition out there as Qwest believes, in order to control rates charged. There is no guarantee, that the small phone company which services the rural areas Qwest chooses not to service, will not increase rates to businesses if Qwest chooses to increase the rates they charge. It is hard enough for the small business to keep the doors open with increasing costs.

Please consider this request carefully, before making a decision to only line the pockets of a large company like Qwest.

Sincerely,

Dennis Hall

FAX (509) 269-4918

Penny Nanson

509-468-8400 509-468-1960 Fax

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Centralia, WA 98531
Phone: (360)736-1191
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# State Capitol FAXALERT

TO: NFIB Members that use Qwest for their Basic Business Phone Service

DATE: September 8, 2003

FROM: Mark Johnson, Assistant State Director RE: URGENT CALL TO ACTION!

Qwest Phone Company has filed a petition with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (WUTC) asking that the business phone service part of their services be deregulated and not fall under WUTC oversight and approval.

NFIB strongly opposes this petition and will actively fight to see that it is denied.

YOUR ACTION IS NEEDED! The WUTC is holding a public hearing September 17, 2003 at 6:00 p.m. in Olympia at their office, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive SW, Commission Hearing Room. We need small business owners to attend. We have to fill the room and show that this issue is important.

Tell the WUTC to deny Owest's petition to deregulate their business services until they can show that real competition exists where they conduct business. If you do not have competition for your business services, tell them competition does not exist in your area. Tell them you do not want to see your phones rates increased.

If you can't attend the hearing, write a letter, send a FAX or e-mail. Comments must be received by September 17, 2003

When you contact them be sure and include the docket number: UT-030614

You can email, FAX or write to the WUTC.

Email: comments@wutcwa.gov

FAX: 360-586-1150

Washington Utility and Transportation Commission P.O. Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504

Please send a copy of your comments to Assistant State Director Mark Johnson at NFIB Headquarters, 4160 6th Ave SE Suite 201, Lacey, WA 98503, FAX 360-943-2456 or by Email: mark.johnson@nfib.org

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<sup>\*</sup>To be removed from this list please contact Kim Bresler at the number listed below.

Comments – Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

**Dear Utility Commissioners:** 

I recently read that the WUTC staff has recommended that you approve Qwest's request for statewide deregulation of basic business local phone services.

If you vote to approve this request, serious damage to small businesses across the state will follow. What Qwest is really after is permission to raise their fees for services on small business. This will be devastating. Contrary to what Qwest would have staff believe, true competition does not exist statewide. Numerous small businesses will have no choice but to pay Qwest's fee increases—BECAUSE THEY HAVE NO OTHER OPTION!

You should only approve deregulation when there is significant competition in the marketplace. It is obvious that "significant competition" is not present statewide—there are areas of Washington that are still only served by Qwest. I am not the only one who thinks this. Our state Attorney General has also stated that she opposes Qwest's application. The AG's office released a statement that said "Qwest's claim that all its business customers in every corner of the state have real competitive alternatives is simply not supported by the facts." Well said. I hope the Commissioners are listening.

I respectfully urge you to reject Qwest's application for deregulation until the proper competitive conditions throughout the state exist to support it.

Sincerely.

9802 MLK Way S Seattle, WA 98118

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Sincerely

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P.O. Box 47250

Olympia, Wa. 98504-7250

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STATE OF WASH. UTIL. AND TRANSP. COMMISSION

Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

I am opposed to any change in the status of business telephone service for Quest in the state of Washington, for a couple of reasons; 1) I have no faith in the veracity of the statements they made to justify the change. Their track record for telling the truth to the public and/or government has not been too good lately and I don't trust their numbers they are too self serving, and 2) there is just not enough competition in the telephone market place in Washington to insure that the telephone rates will not increase significantly. The business climate in Washington is dismal enough without adding to the burden with an increase in telephone rates.

Sincerely,

Patrick Jackson

P. O. Box 1708

618 E. Washington St.

Sequim, Wa. 98382

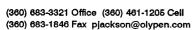
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Patrick Jackson, GRI

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Comments – Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

STATE OF WASH. UTIL. AND TRANSP. COMMISSION

Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

Please oppose the proposal by Qwest to deregulate business telephone rates. There is not enough competition.

Sincerely,

Chris Johnson

Johnson Exteriors

1724-A Second St.

Enumclaw, WA 98022

360-825-0044

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Comments - Docket # 030614 **WUTC** PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

STATE OF WASH. UTIL. AND TRANSP. COMMISSION

Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

We do not believe there is enough competition to ensure telephone rates will remain low. Please reject the Qwest request to deregulate their business telephone rates.

Sincerely,

Ron Haight Haight Roofing 4910 15<sup>th</sup> NW Seattle, WA 98107

206-784-8414

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Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

As a business telephone customer, I do not believe there is enough competition to keep telephone rates affordable. Please reject the Qwest request.

Sincerely,

Frank Immel

Mono Industrial Roofing Co.

6515 W. Marginal Way SW

Seattle, WA 98106

206-767-2025

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From Allied Battery Co. Inc. Seattle, Wa. 98108

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RE. Docket #030614

STATE OF WASH. UTIL. AND TRANSP. COMMISSION

To Commissioners

I oppose the commission granting Quest competitive status for their business telephone service for the reason that I fee there is not enough competition to ensure our telephone rates will remain low. Your consideration in this matter is most important to ensure that rates do not increase.

Duane Koxlien

President

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Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

Please do not approve the Qwest request. There is enough competition to allow deregulation of business telephone rates.

Sincerely,

Becky Gardner Snyder Roofing

20203 Broadway Ave. Snohomish, WA 98290

Lecky Gerdner

425-402-1848



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Comments – Docket #030614 W U T C PO Box 47250 Olympia WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket #030614

**Dear Commissioners:** 

I oppose the Commission granting Qwest competitive status for their business telephone service. There is not enough competition to ensure our telephone rates will remain low.

Please don't add another financial burden to doing business in Washington.

Sincerely

Thomas V. Janssen

PO Box 12690

Mill Creek, WA 98082-0690

425-402-9292

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A Member of ASAAA

August 18, 2003

Comments – Docket #030614 W U T C PO Box 47250 Olympia WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket #030614

**Dear Commissioners:** 

I oppose the Commission granting Qwest competitive status for their business telephone service. There is not enough competition to ensure our telephone rates will remain low.

Sincerely,

BillYeager

PO Box 13170

Mill Creek, WK 98082=1170

425-488-0451

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Comments - Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250 STATE OF WASH. UTIL. AND TRANSP. COMMISSION

Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

Please reject the proposal to deregulate business telephone rates. There is not enough competition to justify this request by Qwest.

Sincerely

Bruce Duschel

B D Roofing

6509 Lakewood Drive W.

Lakewood, WA 98467

253-472-3484

Comments - Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

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I oppose the Commission granting Qwest competitive status for their business telephone service. I am a Qwest business customer. I do not believe there is enough competition to ensure our telephone rates will remain low.

Sincerely,

George Madsen

8625 Martin Way E.

Olympia, WA 98516

360-456-2821

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Comments - Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

STATE OF WASH. UTIL. AND TRANSP. COMMISSION

Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

The Qwest request to deregulate business telephone rates should be rejected.

Sincerely,

Jeff Herrmann

Allied Building Products

PO Box 44070

Tacoma, WA 98444

253-588-5504

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Comments – Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

I oppose deregulation of business telephone rates by Qwest.

Sincerely,

Gene Meyer Meyer Brothers Roofing 7777 Detroit Ave. SW

Seattle, Washington 98106

206-762-9418

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STATE OF WASH. UTIL. AND TRANSP. COMMISSION

Comments – Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, Wa 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

I oppose the Commission granting Qwest competitive status for their business telephone service. There is not enough competition to ensure our telephone rates will remain low. There is not another company in my area for me to switch to.

Sincerely, Jeannine Arnsberg 9923 195<sup>th</sup> Street Court East Graham, Wa 98338

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Comments - Docket # 030614 **WUTC** PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

STATE OF WASH. UTIL. AND TRANSP. COMMISSION

Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

As a Qwest business customer I do not believe there is enough competition to ensure our telephone rates will remain low. Please oppose the Qwest request to deregulate their business telephone rates.

Sincerely,

Jim Hester

Malarkey Roofing Company 3417 N 19<sup>th</sup> St.

Tacoma, WA 98406

253-756-7031

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Dear Commissioners:

As a Qwest customer, I urge oppose the Commission granting Qwest competitive status for their business telephone service. There is not enough competition to ensure our telephone rates will remain low.

Sincerely,

Carrie Varies
Crow Roofing

9500 Aurora Ave N. Seattle, WA 98103

Carry S. Vare

206-525-5155

Comments - Docket # 030614 ШИТС PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

I am a Quest business customer. I do not believe there is enough competition to ensure our telephone rates will remain low. Please reject the Qwest request to classify their business telephone service as competitive.

Sincerely,

Michael Pavis Belgate Printing & Copy

1035 103rd Ave. N€

98004 Bellevue, WA

September 4, 2003

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Comments – Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

As a Qwest business customer I do not believe there is enough competition to ensure our telephone rates will remain low. Please oppose the Qwest request to deregulate their business telephone rates.

Sincerely,

18306 Hwy 99

Lynnwood, WA

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Sincerely,

Jessica Cano

J J Plumbing

3414 A St. SE #104

Auburn

WA 98002

253-939-1390

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#### **SEPTEMBER 5, 2003**

COMMENTS - DOCKET # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 OLYMPIA, WA 98504-7250

RE: DOCKET # 030614

#### **DEAR COMMISSIONERS:**

AS A QWEST BUSINESS CUSTOMER I DO NOT BELIEVE THERE IS ENOUGH COMPETITION TO ENSURE OUR TELEPHONE RATES WILL REMAIN LOW. PLEASE OPPOSE THE QWEST REQUEST TO DEREGULATE THEIR BUSINESS TELEPHONE RATES.

SINCERELY,

MR. JOHN MARYANSKI J J PLUMBING 3414 A ST. SE #104 AUBURN WA 98002 253-939-1390

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Comments – Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

I oppose deregulation of business telephone rates by Qwest.

Sincerely,

26305 79th Ave S Kent, WA 98032 (253) 852-0444

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Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

Please do not approve the Qwest request. There is enough competition to allow deregulation of business telephone rates.

Sincerely,

26311 78th Ave. S Kent WA 98032

253-852-1552

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Comments - Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

I am a Quest business customer. I do not believe there is enough competition to ensure our telephone rates will remain low. Please reject the Quest request to classify their business telephone service as competitive.

Sincerely,

2631 78th Ave. S Kent WA 98032

253-852-1552

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Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

The Roofing Contractors Association of Washington does not believe there is enough competition to ensure telephone rates will remain low. Please oppose the Qwest request to deregulate their business telephone rates.

Sincerely,

Mistie Chiddick

Roofing Contractors Association of Washington

20611 E Bothell-Everett Highway SE #196

Ulistie Chiddick

Bothell, WA 98012

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Comments – Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

Please reject the proposal to deregulate business telephone rates by Qwest.

Sincerely,

Mike Vail J. N. Vail Co.

PO Box 1044

Mike (hi)

Wenatchee, WA 98807

509-663-1685

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Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

Please do not approve the Qwest request to deregulate business telephone rates.

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STATE OF WASH. UTIL. AND TRANSP. COMMISSION

Sincerely,

Dave Evans

Anaco TV & Appliance

1820 Commercial Ave.

Anacortes WA

360-293-5129

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Comments - Docket # 030614 **WUTC** PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

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Re: Docket # 030614

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As a Qwest customer, I urge oppose the Commission granting Qwest competitive status for their business telephone service. There is not enough competition to ensure our telephone rates will remain low.

Sincerély/

John Bartsch

**Belgate Printing & Copy** 1035 103rd Ave. NE

Bellevue WA 98004

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Please do not approve the Qwest request. There is not enough competition to allow deregulation of business telephone rates.

Sincerely,

Themo Demopoulos

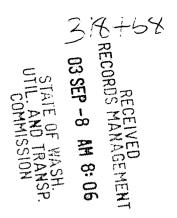
Marine Supply & Hardware

P.O. Box 350

Anacortes WA 98221

360-293-3014

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Comments – Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

Please reject the proposal to deregulate business telephone rates by Qwest.

Sincerely,

9802 MLK Way S Seattle, WA 98118

206-723-9820

Comments - Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

I oppose the Commission granting Qwest competitive status for their business telephone service. I am a Qwest business customer. I do not believe there is enough competition to ensure our telephone rates will remain low.

Sincerely,

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COMMENTS - DOCKET # 030614 UTIL. AND WUTC COMMISSION COMMISSION OLYMPIA, WA 98504-7250

**RE: DOCKET # 030614** 

**DEAR COMMISSIONERS:** 

THERE IS NOT ENOUGH COMPETITION TO ALLOW DEREGULATION OF BUSINESS TELEPHONE RATES AS QWEST HAS REQUESTED. PLEASE REJECT THE QWEST REQUEST.

SINCERELY.

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"Les Wood" <leswood@ccser.com

To: <comments@wutc.wa.gov>

cc:

Subject: UT-030614

09/08/2003 11:49 AM

#### WUTC,

I strongly oppose the deregulation of business phone service by Qwest as I believe that this will lead to increased tariffs since competition does not exist, at least in my area. I believe that your oversight is necessary.

R. L. Wood RLW Marle, LLC



"Scott Bessire, CPA" <scottb@northcascade s.net> To: <comments@wutc.wa.gov>

cc:

Subject: Docket number UT-030614: Qwest derugulation

09/08/2003 11:46 AM

#### To Whom It Concerns:

I am opposed to Qwest's petition to deregulate their business services until they can show that real competition exists where they conduct business. I do not want to see my phone rates increase.

Scott M. Bessire Certified Public Accountant



Pres Tuesley om>

To: comments@wutc.wa.gov

cc:

Subject: Docket Number UT-030614

09/08/2003 11:40 AM

I understand that Quest has requested that their business telephone services be exempted from WUTC oversight. Unfortunately, here in Yakima, ALL local telephone traffic still flows over Quest wires. Yes, there are other "service providers", but that is in name only. Quest still controls all of the local circuits. Unless the WUTC watches their pricing and repair activities, there is nobody to protect the small business owner.

Our own billing and repair experiences with Quest caused us to seek another carrier years ago. Unfortunately, we still have to deal with their repair people (since they own the wires). Plus, dealing with a carrier that only re-bills the charges from Quest makes it almost impossible to get many kinds of service changes done right the first time. Take it from a small-business owner, this is NOT real competition.

I STRONGLY urge you to continue your oversight of Quest and DENY their petition.

Pres Tuesley Yakima Bindery



## WhitmanEng@aol.com

09/08/2003 11:24 AM

To: Comments@wutc.wa.gov

cc: mark.johnson@nfib.org, tom@wawa-pass.com

Subject: Docket number UT-030614

September 8, 2003

Comments-Docket #030614 WUTC P.O. Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

RE: Docket# 030614

Dear Commissioners:

I oppose the Commission granting Qwest competitive status for their business telephone service. There is not enough competition to ensure our telephone rates will remain low.

Sincerely,

Dawn Whitman Whitman Engines 11840 NE 112th Kirkland, WA 98033-4511 cc



"Pat Powers" <ppowers@manatech wa.com>

09/08/2003 11:28 AM Please respond to "Pat To: <comments@wutc.wa.gov> cc: <mark.johnson@nfib.org>

Subject: Qwest request to deregulated business phones services

Reference: Docket Number UT-030614

Powers"

As a small business owner I have seen the cost of doing business going up in part to my phone expense. I certainly not one that wants gov. involved in my business, but have not seen where deregulation of the our phone companies in the past has helped bring down the cost or improve service. I would ask that you do not deregulated business phone service for Qwest or any other phone service provider.

Thanks you.

Patrick A. Powers, Pres. Management Technologies, Inc. 505 N. Argonne Rd., Ste. L-16 Spokane, WA 99212-2870 509 922-4577 ext. 303



To: <comments@wutc.wa.gov>

CC:

Subject: Qwest's Deregulation - UT 030614

Cheryl L. Cole

As a small business owner, I am <u>OPPOSED</u> to UT 030614. Qwest has no local

competition, therefore, it cannot ensure that the cost to our business would not be

excessive. In no way can a business such as Qwest be competitive when they are

the only source of telephone service and can set it's rates accordingly. I would ask

that you <u>not</u> grant Qwest their reclassification unless you are sure that my local

telephone service will not be increased.

Sincerely,

Cheryl L. Cole





## South Branch Support

9/03/03

Comments – Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

I oppose the Commission granting Qwest competitive status for their business telephone service. There is not enough competition to ensure our telephone rates will remain low.

Sincerely,

Richard H Menti 33405 6<sup>th</sup> Ave Sout Federal Way WA 98008 253-838-8900



"Dane" <dkeehn@kitsapdrc.or g> To: <comments@wutc.wa.gov>

CC;

Subject: QWEST petition for competitive classification

04/15/2003 06:23 PM Please respond to "Dane"

I am in opposition to granting QWEST competitive classification. The issue isn't really whether there are now competitive alternative... the issue is whether the public knows about the alternatives. If I were aware of the alternatives for local service, I would switch immediately. Your notification is my first hint that there may indeed be alternatives. If the public is unaware of alternatives, they will continue to suffer through the relatively poor service offered by QWEST.

I speak from experience about service. I tried for approximately a year to resolve a billing dispute with QWEST. Month after month I would call, write, dispute the bills before I gave up and called your commission. Then within a few days of contacting your organization, QWEST responded to my complaints, assigned someone to look into the matter, and credited us over a thousand dollars. I believe they finally worked things out with us because there was a body with oversight (you). I am in the business of negotiation and mediation. I do not believe QWEST would have ever tried to work something out with me in good faith if they did not know they would be accountable to an oversight body. I therefore believe continued oversight is necessary.

Thanks,
Dane Keehn
Dispute Resolution Center
Building community through the power of dialogue

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"Steven Paul, CPA" <stevenpaul\_cpa@ms

04/21/2003 12:04 PM

To: <comments@wutc.wa.gov>

Subject: Qwest petition for Competitive Classification

<?xml:namespace prefix="v" /><?xml:namespace prefix="o" /> I am opposed to approval of Qwest's petition for Competitive Classification of its Business Exchange Telecommunications Services.

I do not believe that there is sufficient competition. Further customers cannot easily change local carriers, retain their current phone numbers or DSL service. Those changes are not easily accomplished. And for businesses that are listed and have like mine, been listed for over 10 years, in local phone directories controlled by Qwest and published once a year such change in phone service effectively de-lists that customer from the directory. In fact, I know of individuals who have changed local service from Qwest and are/were no longer listed in the local phone directory which Owest would like to have list only its own customers.

No. There isn't a sufficiently competitive environment for Qwest to be delivered Competitive classification by the WUTC.

Sincerely, Steven Paul, CPA



"Lynn Hurdelbrink" <hurdel@nwlink.com>

05/02/2003 02:49 PM

To: <comments@wutc.wa.gov>

CC:

Subject: Qwest Request for Competitive Classification

Dear Sir or Madam,

As the owner of a small business (Hurdelbrink & Company) I don't feel that Qwest is in a "competitive" situation with respect to land line telephone service. Perhaps large businesses are able to find providers other than Qwest that are willing, even eager, to provide them with lower cost telephone service, but this is not the case for dorky little businesses like mine. If this change is approved you will almost certainly be giving me a significant rate increase.

Please, do not allow this change.

Lynn Hurdelbrink

318 778

September 4, 2003

Comments – Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission:

With Qwest's deregulation request for business services, small businesses in Washington should prepare to get kicked in the teeth. I have heard that the WUTC staff has recommended that you allow deregulation. What a scary thought!

If deregulation of basic business local services is allowed, it will harm countless small businesses in Washington. Deregulation will authorize Qwest to set their own pricing for business services throughout the state, and you will no longer regulate what Qwest can charge customers. This is wrong. Deregulation is only supposed to happen when significant competition in the local phone service market exists. It does not exist in Washington statewide.

The only government agency that is looking out for small business in this debacle is the Attorney General's office. AG Gregoire has stated publicly that she opposes deregulation as it will hurt small businesses and because Qwest cannot meet the criteria needed for deregulation to be approved.

I hope that AG Gregoire will continue to vocally oppose this proposal—it may be small business owners only chance to stop Qwest's outrageous proposal to charge us more for basic services. I encourage you to take a closer look at the situation in Washington and oppose this effort to deregulate Qwest's business services.

Sincerely,

26311 78th Ave. S

nold Malps

Kent WA 98032

253-852-1552

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Sincerely,

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Kent, WA 98032

(253) 852-0444

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Comments - Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

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Mune S. Simmons

11528 Pacific Hwy SW

Tacoma, WA 98499

253-582-6000

September 4, 2003

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Re: Docket # 030614

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Sincerely,

2911 E. Uk. Sam. Prkwy SE Sammamish WA 98075

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September 4, 2003

Comments – Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

Please reject the proposal to deregulate business telephone rates by Qwest.

Sincerely,

18306 Hwy 99

Lynnwood WA 98037

425-778-3147

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September 5, 2003

Comments – Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

As a quest business customer, I do not believe there is enough competition to ensure our telephone rates will remain low. Please oppose the Qwest request to deregulate their business telephone rates.

Sincerely

Ruth L Jarvis

Sec/Treas

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September 4, 2003

Comments - Docket # 030614 WUTE DO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

Please do not approve the Quest request to deregulate business telephone rates.

Sincerely,

Juli Lynch

Anaco TO & Appliance

1820 Commercial Ave.

WA 98221 Anacortes

360-293-5129

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Thursday, September 04, 2003

WUTC P.O. Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Comments - Docket #030614

#### **Dear Commissioners:**

As a small business man in I urge you to deny the request by Qwest for deregulation. All one has to do is follow the news and the downsides of deregulation become painfully apparent. There is certainly not enough competition in this area to allow the deregulation of business telephone rates.

Sincerely,

Robin K Mullins

President

4th Corner Network, Inc.

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Comments – Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

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Sincerely,

18306 Hwy 99

Lynnwood WA 98037

425-778-3147



September 4, 2003

**WUTC Commissioners** PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

RE: Docket #030614

Dear Commissioners:

The Qwest request to deregulate business telephone rates should be rejected. We businesses need regulations in place to ensure that we are not taken advantage of—again. Deregulation has a tendency to get out of control and Qwest could easily gouge us. Please reject this request.

Sincerely,

Ina R. Culberson, President

Old Cedar Forge, Ltd.

220 East Cronquist Road

Allyn, WA 98524

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Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

The Qwest request to deregulate business telephone rates should be rejected.

Sincerely, Florence Lavria

Florence Lovric Lovric's Sea-Craft

3022 Oakes Ave.

Anacortes WA 98221

360-293-2042

## **KELLER WILLIAMS**

111 SE Everett Mall Way, #C101 Everett, WA 98208 425-212-2007

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STATE OF WASH. UTIL. AND TRANSP. COMMISSION

August 29, 2003

Comments - Docket # 030614 **WUTC** PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

I oppose the Commission granting Qwest competitive status for their business telephone service. There is not enough competition to ensure our telephone rates will remain low.

Sincerely,

achryn Gilbert Kathryn Gilbert

5500 Harbour Pt. Blvd. #A-203

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Comments – Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

As a Quest customer, I urge oppose the Commission granting Quest competitive status for their business telephone service. There is not enough competition to ensure our telephone rates will remain low.

Sincerely,

Teresa Potter

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September 4, 2003

Comments – Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

As a Qwest business customer I do not believe there is enough competition to ensure our telephone rates will remain low. Please oppose the Qwest request to deregulate their business telephone rates.

Sincerely,

11528 Pacific Hwy SW

Tacoma, WA 98499

253-582-6000

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September 4, 2003

Comments – Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

**Dear Commissioners:** 

As a business telephone customer, I do not believe there is enough competition to keep telephone rates affordable. Please reject the Qwest request.

Sincerely,

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September 4, 2003

Comments – Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

I was greatly disturbed to read in the paper that you are planning to vote in September to allow statewide deregulation of business local phone services at the behest of Qwest.

Deregulation is not a bad thing. But deregulation in the market place should only be introduced when there is substantial competition in the market to support deregulation. If true competition is not present then conditions exist for one business to dominate and maintain a monopolistic stranglehold on the market. This is not how we do business in America.

The current conditions in the marketplace in Washington do not support deregulating business local phone services for Qwest. First, Qwest does not have substantial competition statewide. In fact there are places in the state where they have no competition at all. Second, allowing Qwest to set their own pricing when they have no significant competition will hurt small businesses as many will have no choice but to pay Owest's increased fees for services. This is not the way to spur economic progress!

I strongly urge you to consider carefully the final outcome of deregulation for Qwest. The decision you will be making will have a long lasting impact on our state and particularly on small businesses in our state. We need you to reject this proposal until true competition exists.

Thanks You,

11528 Pacific Hwy SW

Tacoma, WA 98499

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Comments - Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

Please oppose the proposal by Qwest to deregulate business telephone rates. There is not enough competition.

Sincerely,

Phullis Lamb

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Comments - Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

I oppose the Commission granting Qwest competitive status for their business telephone service. Ι am a Owest business customer. I do not believe there is enough competition to ensure our telephone rates will remain low. reasonable or feasible !!

Sincerely,

Shyllie Jamb, co-owner Lambco Refrigeration Inc.

This is our 30th year in business and with the increased tayes and regularitions most of us presiness owners may be an extenct species soon. FAX NO.: 3605647409523

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COBURN AUTO PARTS, INC. 19 S. MARKET BLVD CHEHALIS, WA 98532 360-748-3341

September 15, 2003

Comments - Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

**Dear Commissioners:** 

As a Qwest business customer I do not believe there is enough competition to ensure our telephone rates will remain low. Please oppose the Qwest request to deregulate their business telephone rates.

Sincerely,

Donna

Coburn

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September 15, 2003

WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

**Dear Commissioners:** 

Please do not approve the Qwest request for deregulation of commercial phone lines. There is not currently enough competition to allow deregulation of business telephone rates.

Sincerely,

Jim P. Simmons

**President** 

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September 9, 2003

STATE OF WASH. UTIL. AND TRANSP. COMMISSION

Comments - Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

**Dear Commissioners:** 

Please reject the proposal to deregulate business telephone rates by Qwest.

Sincerely, \* \*\*\*

Rankin Equipment Co. PO Box 168 Yakima WA \$\ 98907

(509) 453-8271

September 8, 2003

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Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

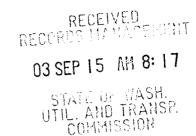
As a business telephone customer, I do not believe there is enough competition to keep telephone rates affordable. Please reject the Qwest request.

Sincerely.

PO Box 168 Yakima, WA 98907

(509) 453-8271

#### September 8, 2003



Comments - Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

Please do not approve the Qwest request. There is not enough competition to allow deregulation of business telephone rates.

Sincerely,

PO Box 168

Yakima, WA 98907

(509) 453-8271



## TRI-VALLEY

#### Construction, Inc.

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September 12, 2003

Comments – Docket #030614 WUTC P.O. Box 47250 Olympia, WA. 98504-7250

RE: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioner,

I oppose the Commission granting Qwest competitive status for their business telephone service. I am a Qwest business customer. I do not believe there is enough competition to ensure our telephone rates will remain low.

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Sincerely,

Sharon L. Russell

Secretary

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## Russell Crane Service Inc.



505 Locust Yakima, WA 98901

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(509) 457-6341 Fax (509) 248-9800

September 12, 2003

Comments – Docket #030614 WUTC P.O. Box 47250 Olympia, WA. 98504-7250

RE: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioner,

I oppose the Commission granting Qwest competitive states their business telephone service. I am a Qwest business customer. I do not believe is enough competition to ensure our telephone rates will remain low.

Sincerely,

Sharon L. Russell

Vice President & Secretary

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### CARRIER TRANSPORTS, INC.

1008 North First Street Yakima, Washington 98901 (509) 452-0136

September 12, 2003

Comments – Docket #030614 WUTC P.O. Box 47250 Olympia, WA. 98504-7250

RE: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioner,

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Sincerely,

Sharon L. Russell

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AlliancePropane@aol.c

09/09/2003 06:13 PM

To: comments@wutc.wa.gov

cc: mark.johnson@nfib.org

Subject: Qwest petition for phone rate increases

WUTC; Please accept this e-mail as a letter. I am a fairly new small business trying to make a go of it. Docket number UT-030614 must not be allowed to pass. As a new small business trying to arrange phone service with reasonable rates was to say the least impossible. I finally gave up and had my wife work her way through the system to finally talk to a live person.

The service that all these companies are giving us to say the least is bad. All this corporation is looking for is another way to lower service and increase profits. My attitude regarding a number of State and Federal agencies are the same. As a consumer I see daily where these mega corporations are lowering their service standards and increasing their margins.

I sometimes believe a ball of string and two cups would be better to communicate with people with the low service and high rates paid for phone service. Take a look at a monthly phone bill. The fees and taxes paid are way to high. Someone needs to get a dose of the real world and begin to get these things in check. In this case it is the WUTC. Do your job and stop this foolishness from going on !!!!!!!!!!!.

Edward Cavalieri - President Alliance Propane Inc.



"2626 Y Berschauer's Ace Hardware" <ace.hardware@gcpo wer.net>

09/10/2003 01:16 PM

To: <comments@wutc.wa.gov>

cc:

Subject: Qwest petition

I, Jim Berschauer, as a small business owner wishes to see the WUTC deny Qwest's petition to deregulate their business services. I do not want to see our phone rates increase now or in the future.

Jim Berschauer Berschauers's Ace Hardware



#### "Chuck Keltch" <cfkeltch@charter.net>

09/10/2003 05:02 PM

To: <comments@wutc.wa.gov> cc: <mark.johnson@nfib.org>

Subject: UT-030614

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I would like you to deny Qwest's petition to deregulate their business service.

I have a small business in Pasco and our only service is Qwest.

We get alot of calls offering service but Qwest still owns all the lines or controlls them.

Again please deny Qwest deregulation of business services. We do not want to see an increase in

our phone rates.

Thank you,

Charles Keltch John M. Keltch, Inc.



"Sharon Cockeram" <Sharonskhal@comca st.net> To: <comments@wutc.wa.gov>

cc:

Subject: Qwest

09/11/2003 08:57 AM

Please deny Qwest's petition to deregulate their businesses services until they can show that real competition exists where they conduct business. Competion does exists in our area. We do not want to see phone rates increased!

Sincerely,

Chev's of the 40's



"Sharon Cockeram" <Sharonskhal@comca st.net>

ca cc: <mark.johnson@nfib.org> Subject: Qwest/UT-030614

09/11/2003 09:00 AM

Please deny Qwest's petition to deregulate their businesses services until they can show that real competition exists where they conduct business. Competition does exists in our area. We do not want to see phone rates increased!

To: <comments@wutc.wa.gov>

Sincerely,

Chev's of the 40's



"Jim Hanley" <Jim@AcmeTV.com>

09/11/2003 02:49 PM

To: <comments@wutc.wa.gov>

cc: <mark.johnson@nfib.org>
Subject: Qwest deregulation

Please do not deregulate Quest. The lack of governmental oversite will result in higher prices and probably reduced service. Deregulation has not worked very well for the small guy in the telecommunications world, thus I urge you to reject Quests application to deregulate business phone services. Thank you Jim Hanley, owner Acme TV in Spokane



"dahls automotive supply" <dahlsauto@adelphia.

cc: <mark.johnson@nfib.org> Subject: UT-030614

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09/12/2003 07:43 AM

Dear Commission;

I urge you to deny Qwest's petition for deregulation. I would urge you to ask for real proof that competition exists in Washington. I do not think they can give you this. In Longview there is no competition and their attitude reflects this fact.

To: <Comments@wutc.wa.gov>

Thank You Chester dahl



Diane Roundy <a href="mailto:com">dhr@bigplanet.com</a>

09/13/2003 09:45 AM

To: Comments@wutc.wa.gov

cc:

Subject: QWest petition to deregulate

We are very sorry we cannot attend the meeting you are having in Olympia concerning the deregulation of QWest's phone services. We have no other choice in this part of Washington. QWest is it, if they dereugulate we will have no choice but to take what they give us - as you can see - no competition at all. Please make them show you that there is competition in this area before you allow them to deregulate. As we said, we would try to come to your meeting, but we are farmers and we're in the middle of harvest.

Glen and Diane Roundy



#### Marcie Mattozzi <marciemm@yahoo.co

m>

09/09/2003 10:17 AM

To: comments@wutc.wa.gov cc: markjohnson@nfib.org

Subject: Qwest Petion to be deregulated Docket #UT-030614

To Whom It May Concern:

Re: Qwest's petition to be deregulate, I strongly oppose this action.

At this time, I refuse to do business with this company because over the years their reps have been mean, unforgiving and I view them as a mini mafia in their actions. Needless to say, there is a huge lack of customer service in this organization already. To deregulate them would just encourage more customer abuse.

I currently use a fiber phone system and a cell phone for phone service. However, the fiber system is not available to everyone and not everyone can afford a cell phone. Also, if truth be known, I would guess that my fiber & cell companies have to pay Qwest for the use of their lines and/or some of their services, because Qwest is so big and expands across our continent.

There are no other significate land line phone companies available in this area other then Qwest and they are such a big company that to deregulate them would put an undue financial burden on our already weak economy, locally.

In this day and age, phone service is essential for all aspects of life. Having raised 4 children as a single parent on a limited income, without my phone service to get me through, I don't know how I would have handled all of the unexpected events that required the need for a phone. It was hard enough with the cost at the time. I can't imagine what it would be like for other low income people if phone service were to increase in cost to the point that it was not affordable. That is what I believe you are looking at if you choose to deregulate Qwest.

Please do not give them the power to control more of our lives then they already have! DENY THEIR REQUEST!

Thank you,

Marcie Mattozzi Independant Insurance Agent & Secretary for an Ag Grower

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#### Victor Rodriguez <vxrodri@qwest.com>

09/09/2003 11:28 AM

To: comments@wutc.wa.gov

CC:

Subject: Support for petition filed by Qwest

To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Victor Rodriguez and I am a resident of the state of Washington. I am writing to express my concern that Qwest be allowed to compete for telecommunications business according to the same rules as the competition.

I see there is substantial competition in the state. Every month Qwest loses local residential and dsl customers to Comcast. Qwest has to make available lines to other companies at a discount and those companies turn around and offer the same service as qwest in direct competition.

I believe it is in the best interest for the residents of the state of Washington to have a level field where Qwest and its competitors are subject to the same regulations. Currently direct competitors offering the same or substitutable service as Qwest do so with less regulation. With level regulation Qwest can adjust prices and develop packages of service in response to demand from customers. Overall I feel this will strengthen Washington's position in the telecommunications marketplace allowing its residents to enjoy more choices and better pricing for their needs.

Thank you for your time, Victor Rodriguez vxrodriguez@yahoo.com



"John Ittes" <john.ittes@atlassuppl y.com> To: <comments@wutc.wa.gov> cc: <mark.johnson@nfib.org> Subject: Docket # UT-030614

09/08/2003 03:09 PM

#### Dear Sir/Madam;

I won't be able to attend the hearing on the 17th re: subject docket # but wanted to at least register my comments as follows:

It is my opinion that phone service has steadily declined in quality during the last 20-25 years and that overall cost has not decreased sufficiently as a result of deregulation to off-set this decline in service. I would be very concerned about further deregulation because I just don't see the possibility of real competition sufficient to keep pricing moderate. It will be Qwest and a few (if that) other smaller, under-financed minor players. If SBC or other legitimate competitors were interested in becoming major players in this market, then we'd have competition. I think the the best option for the consumer, especially small to medium sized businesses like ours, continues to be strong oversight by the WUTC with the caveat that service needs to continue to improve. I simply don't believe competitive market forces are sufficient at this time to warrant deregualtion of business service.

Sincerely,

John Ittes President, Atlas Supply Inc. Seattle john.ittes@atlassupply.com 206-623-4697 ext 127



"Gary Chesnut" <cgary@lewiston.com

cc:

To: <comments@wutc.wa.gov> Subject: Deny West' petition to deregulate

09/08/2003 05:16 PM Please respond to cgary

We live in Clarkston, WA and own two small businesses. Our only carrier here is West and we are very concerned they will raise our rates once they are allowed to deregulate their business services. We are asking you deny their petition for deregulation until they can show that real competition exists where they conduct business. Q west has no competition in this area.

Very concerned small business owners.

G.L and Lois Chesnut PO Box 76 Clarkston, WA cgary@5cees.com



"Gary & Leslie" <gfanning@moseslake -wa.com> To: "Washington Utilities Commission" <comments@wutc.wa.gov>

CC

Subject: Public Comment?Docket No. UT-030614

09/09/2003 07:10 AM

It is my understanding that QWest Phone Company has filed a petition asking that the business phone service part of their services be deregulated and not fall under WUTC oversight and approval.

I believe this is the company that owns our telephone wires. There is no telephone competition here. I have no choice. Not only that, but I continue to have trouble with the telephone wires outside my building that belong to this company. This difficulty causes me to have to rerun debit and credit cards up to five times per card. I certainly don't want to see my phone rates increased.

Please don't deregulate without competition.



#### "Warren Gustafson" <wgustafson@harborp ress.com>

To: <comments@wutc.wa.gov> cc: <mark.johnson@nfib.org> Subject: Docket # UT-030614

09/08/2003 01:01 PM

It has come to my attention that Quest Phone Company has filed a petition asking that the business phone service portion of their services be deregulated and not fall under WUTC oversight and approval.

Please DENY this petition!

I ask that you DENY this petition at least until such time as it can be shown that real competition exists where they conduct business.

DENYING this petition will help prevent phone rate increases.

Regards,

Warren Gustafson Harbor Press, Inc. P.O.Box 1656 Gig Harbor, WA 98335 (253)851-5190 voice (253)851-5191 fax



Akersland@aol.com

09/08/2003 01:41 PM

To: comments@wutc.wa.gov, mark.johnson@nfib.org

cc:

Subject: Petition

I am writing to ask you deny Qwest's petition to deregulate their business services (docket number: UT-030614). Competition does not exist in my area and as a small business owner trying to survive in this economy I DEFINITELY don't need to have my rates increased. Qwest already charges more than enough for all of their services. It's time to give the little guys a break and not the big ones. Akers Landscaping



"Stephen" <S.Kelly@enacouriers. com> To: <comments@wutc.wa.gov> cc: <mark.johnson@nfib.org>

Subject: Qwest petition to deregulate business services

09/08/2003 01:59 PM

#### WUTC,

I will not be able to attend the public hearing on 9/17 regarding Qwest attempt to deregulate their business services. I do however want to voice my opposition to their request. They do not have sufficient competition to keep them from raising rates. This is an especially difficult time for small business in this state and to run the risk of telephone rates going up would be very bad for the survival of these companies. I vote no to the deregulation.

Thanks for listening to me, a small business owner.

Regards, Steve Kelly



#### "Fackler, Curtis" <cfackler@psapay.com

To: "comments@wutc.wa.gov" <comments@wutc.wa.gov> cc: "mark.johnson@nfib.org" <mark.johnson@nfib.org>

Subject: FW: Quest

09/08/2003 02:30 PM

----Original Message----

From: Fackler, Curtis
To: 'comments@wutc.gov'
Cc: 'markjohnson@nfib.org'

Sent: 9/8/03 3:26 PM

Subject: Quest

I am a small business owner that strongly believes in free enterprise. I however believe there are some things that need to be regulated and utilities are one of them. The trend toward deregulation of utilites has not been good for small business. The large increases in electricity and natural gas charges and the whole Enron fiasco is just one example of how degrulation of an utility did not lower prices or increase competition.

In the last two years I have had two opportunities to work with the local phone companies. Once when I moved my business and the other when I had an ownership and name change. When I moved I did not have a choice of local carrier because of my location. Since the lines had to be hung from the street I had to deal with three different organizations ( pole to office; inside the building; jack to the phone.) Than I had to figure out who to call for the white pages and the yellow pages. I Will not go into details of how it did not go smoothly. Just let it be said the phones were not working when we moved.

This last year I changed the name of the company. It toke muliple calls to get my yellow pages and white pages name change. The main problem is who really is the local carrier and whose responsibilty is it to change the business white pages. I recieved the new phone book yesterday and the yellow pages were correct (no longer owned by quest). But the white pages did not change the name. Now for the next year my new name is not in the book. When I changed my billing address to a different address than the business location it toke over 6 months for them to get it right.

Needless to say I do not believe Quest needs deregulated their services is now poor and I have no choice. They need to be regulated more so they follow thru on current promises.

Curt Fackler 509-325-8492 cfackler@psapayroll.com Pay systems of America



"David" <g1agent@cport.com> 09/08/2003 02:49 PM

To: comments@wutc.wa.gov

cc: Subject: re: UT-030614

I am a small business owner in Longview, Cowlitz county, WA and I am NOT in favor of deregulating Qwest Phone company's business phone services.

They have virtually no competition in our area and should not be allowed to raise their prices simply because they have no competitors for the basic phone line service.

Thank you,

David A. Lee CTC Insurance, Inc. Longview, WA



"carpets etc" <carpetsetc@cablespe ed.com> To: <comments@wutc.wa.gov>

cc:

Subject: Qwest deregulation

09/08/2003 11:59 AM

We at Carpets Etc. are strongly opposed to docket # UT-030614. Qwest does not have competition is this area. Thank you, John & Sharon Widener

August 20, 2003

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Comments - Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250 STATE OF WASH. UTIL. AND TRANSP. COMMISSION

Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

As a business telephone customer, I do not believe there is enough competition to keep telephone rates affordable. Please reject the Qwest request.

Sincerely,

Frank Immel

Mono Industrial Roofing Co.

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From Allied Battery Co. Inc. Seattle, Wa. 98108

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RE. Docket #030614

STATE OF WASH. UTIL. AND TRANSP. COMMISSION

To Commissioners

I oppose the commission granting Quest competitive status for their business telephone service for the reason that I fee there is not enough competition to ensure our telephone rates will remain low. Your consideration in this matter is most important to ensure that rates do not increase.

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Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission Comments 1300 South Evergreen Park Drive SW Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

RE: Docket number: TU-030614 Business Basic Exchange

The Columbia River Economic Development Council supports Qwest's request for statewide pricing flexibility for their business exchange services.

We have all seen tremendous changes in the business world over the last few decades. The advances in technology and a changing and diverse workforce are just two of many examples of how things have changed throughout our economy.

And when change from within the business world occurs, change in the political and regulatory world must follow suit. To that point, we believe that the way in which the telecommunications industry is regulated needs to change with the times.

For example, Qwest, the region's largest telecommunications provider faces stiff competition from a host of companies offering business services. Yet Qwest is still regulated the same way that it was when it had no real competition.

Today, there is effective competition in Washington for business telecommunications services and therefore Qwest should be allowed to compete on equal terms and conditions with its competitors. Effective competition means that customers of the service have reasonably available alternatives. That is the case in Washington today, and rules need to be changed to reflect that reality.

We would ask that the Commission grant Qwest's request to compete on a level playing field with its competition.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

Bart Phillips President August 29, 2003

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P.O.Box 47250

Olympia, Wa. 98504-7250

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STATE OF WASH. UTIL. AND TRANSP. COMMISSION

Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

I am opposed to any change in the status of basiness telephone service for Quest in the state of Washington, for a couple of reasons; 1) I have no faith in the veracity of the statements they made to justify the change. Their track record for telling the truth to the public and/or government has not been too good lately and I don't trust their numbers they are too self serving, and 2) there is just not enough competition in the telephone market place in Washington to insure that the telephone rates will not increase significantly. The business climate in Washington is dismal enough without adding to the burden with an increase in telephone rates.

Sincerely,

Patrick Jackson

P. O. Box 1708

618 E. Washington St.

Sequim, Wa. 98382

(360) 683-3321

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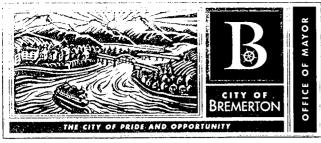
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Mayor Cary Bozeman

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Tel 360-473-5266 Fax 360-473-5883

August 26, 2003

Carole J. Washburn
Executive Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
1300 S Evergreen Park Drive SW
Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

RE: Docket No. UT-030614

Dear Ms. Washburn:

I am writing to recommend that the Commission support the above docket.

Bremerton has been in a recession for 20 years. We are revitalizing our city with needed improvements which will transform our community into an outstanding waterfront destination. We're updating how we look and are including in our redevelopment all the latest advancements. These changes are going to help us compete better as a visitor destination, a place businesses choose to be and a place people want to make their home. Its economic development the way CTED prescribes. It's about change, competition, jobs and livability.

Ma Bell was "broken up" about 20 years ago. Watching what has happened over those 20 years makes my head spin. Besides voice mail, the internet wireless phones becoming commonplace, there have been hundreds of telecommunications companies entering and merging, exiting and morphing. The telephone business and the mix of players involved in it are so different from what any of us could have predicted two decades ago.

I understand that for Qwest to be granted approval for their submitted petition there must be effective competition. I also understand that your Commission's staff estimates that 25% of the market has chosen a company other than Qwest for their basic business services. They recommend approval and I agree with them.

For Bremerton, competition is good – it makes us work harder to attract residents, businesses and tourists. Competition is what incents all companies to offer what customers want at a good price and with good quality. I endorse the value of competition to drive that and I support the notion that all companies should be governed by the same rules to compete for those customers, which is what approval of this petition will do.

Cary Bozeman

Best Regards,

Mayor

City of Bremerton

239 4th Street

Bremerton, WA 98337

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Comments – Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

Please do not approve the Qwest request. There is enough competition to allow deregulation of business telephone rates.

Sincerely,

18306 Hwy 99

Lynnwood WA 98037

425-778-3147

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WUTC Commissioners PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

RE: Docket #030614

Dear Commissioners:

The Qwest request to deregulate business telephone rates should be rejected. We businesses need regulations in place to ensure that we are not taken advantage of—again. Deregulation has a tendency to get out of control and Qwest could easily gouge us. Please reject this request.

Sincerely,

Frax Culberson, President

Old Cedar Forge, Ltd.

220 East Cronquist Road

Allyn, WA 98524

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Sincerely,

Florence Lovric
Lovric's Sea-Craft
3022 Oakes Ave.

Anacortes WA 98221

360-293-2042

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Sincerely,

Kathryn Gilbert

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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

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Tacoma, WA 98499

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Dear Commissioners:

I was greatly disturbed to read in the paper that you are planning to vote in September to allow statewide deregulation of business local phone services at the behest of Qwest.

Deregulation is not a bad thing. But deregulation in the market place should only be introduced when there is substantial competition in the market to support deregulation. If true competition is not present then conditions exist for one business to dominate and maintain a monopolistic stranglehold on the market. This is not how we do business in America.

The current conditions in the marketplace in Washington do not support deregulating business local phone services for Qwest. First, Qwest does not have substantial competition statewide. In fact there are places in the state where they have no competition at all. Second, allowing Qwest to set their own pricing when they have no significant competition will hurt small businesses as many will have no choice but to pay Qwest's increased fees for services. This is not the way to spur economic progress!

I strongly urge you to consider carefully the final outcome of deregulation for Qwest. The decision you will be making will have a long lasting impact on our state and particularly on small businesses in our state. We need you to reject this proposal until true competition exists.

Thanks You,

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**Dear Utility Commissioners:** 

I recently read that the WUTC staff has recommended that you approve Qwest's request for statewide deregulation of basic business local phone services.

If you vote to approve this request, serious damage to small businesses across the state will follow. What Qwest is really after is permission to raise their fees for services on small business. This will be devastating. Contrary to what Qwest would have staff believe, true competition does not exist statewide. Numerous small businesses will have no choice but to pay Qwest's fee increases—BECAUSE THEY HAVE NO OTHER OPTION!

You should only approve deregulation when there is significant competition in the marketplace. It is obvious that "significant competition" is not present statewide—there are areas of Washington that are still only served by Qwest. I am not the only one who thinks this. Our state Attorney General has also stated that she opposes Qwest's application. The AG's office released a statement that said "Qwest's claim that all its business customers in every corner of the state have real competitive alternatives is simply not supported by the facts." Well said. I hope the Commissioners are listening.

I respectfully urge you to reject Qwest's application for deregulation until the proper competitive conditions throughout the state exist to support it.

Sincerely,

9802 MLK Way S Seattle, WA 98118

206-723-9820

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Dear Commissioners:

We do not believe there is enough competition to ensure telephone rates will remain low. Please oppose the Qwest request to deregulate their business telephone rates.

Sincerely,

2911 E. Ck. Sam. Prkwy SE

Sammamish WA 98075

425.392.2846

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Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission:

With Qwest's deregulation request for business services, small businesses in Washington should prepare to get kicked in the teeth. I have heard that the WUTC staff has recommended that you allow deregulation. What a scary thought!

If deregulation of basic business local services is allowed, it will harm countless small businesses in Washington. Deregulation will authorize Qwest to set their own pricing for business services throughout the state, and you will no longer regulate what Qwest can charge customers. This is wrong. Deregulation is only supposed to happen when significant competition in the local phone service market exists. It does not exist in Washington statewide.

The only government agency that is looking out for small business in this debacle is the Attorney General's office. AG Gregoire has stated publicly that she opposes deregulation as it will hurt small businesses and because Qwest cannot meet the criteria needed for deregulation to be approved.

I hope that AG Gregoire will continue to vocally oppose this proposal—it may be small business owners only chance to stop Qwest's outrageous proposal to charge us more for basic services. I encourage you to take a closer look at the situation in Washington and oppose this effort to deregulate Qwest's business services.

Sincerely,

26311 78th Ave. S

nold Thelps

Kent WA 98032

253-852-1552

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Sincerely,

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Sincerely

Ruth L Jarvis

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Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

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Sincerely,

Juli Lynch

Anaco TO & Appliance 1820 Commercial Ave.

Anacortes

WA 98221

360-293-5129

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## UTEC METALS, INC.

17305 East Euclid Avenue Spokane, Washington 99216

September 5, 2003

Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission P. O. Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

RE: DOCKET #030614

Dear Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission:

I understand that the WUTC staff is recommending that you allow deregulation of Qwest business services.

It will harm countless small businesses in Washington if this is allowed, ours included. Qwest will be allowed to set their own pricing for business services and there will be no regulation of their charges. Deregulation is supposed to happen when there is significant competition in the local market. This competition does not exist in Washington. Qwest will be able to charge whatever they want and consumers will have no choice but to pay outrageous rates. (While they provide very poor customer service.)

My company attempted to change local providers approximately 3 years ago and after approximately 6 weeks were forced to switch back to Qwest. We were unable to obtain voice messaging with the other carrier. The other carrier said this was because Qwest was not making changes needed so the service could be transferred to the other carrier (McLeod). I understand other carriers purchase lines/service from Qwest and re-sell to the consumer. If these conditions exist, Qwest still has control of phone lines/service and have there is no true competition regardless of who claims to be a local service provider.

Attorney General Gregoire publicly opposes the deregulation because it will hurt small businesses and that Qwest cannot meet the criteria needed for deregulation to be approved. I hope she will continue to oppose the deregulation. Small businesses in Washington cannot continue to absorb undeserved cost increases for services. Please support us in this matter and reject the request for deregulation of business services.

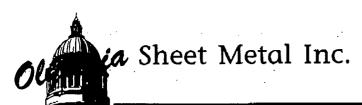
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Office Manager for UTEC Metals, Inc.

(509) 922-1832 Fax (509) 924-5016





2839 Marvin Road N.E. Olympia, WA 98516-3170 (360) 491-1123

Fax: (360) 491-1113

September 11, 2003

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Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

Please reject the proposal to deregulate business telephone rates by Qwest.

Sincerely,

Helga Rebitzer

Olympia Sheet Metal 2839 Marvin Rd. NE

98516 Olympia WA

360-491-1123



PENNY WELSON TRUCKING COMPANY, INC.

P.O. Box 80323 Seattle, WA 98108-0323 DISPATCH : 206/723-3000 TOLL FREE : 800/327-2797 OFFICE: 206/723-5720 FAX: 206/723-4537 9777 Martin Luther King Jr. Way So. Seattle, WA 98118

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Sincerely,

PETER R. WHITEHEAD

**PRESIDENT** 

**NELSON TRUCKING CO., INC.** 

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September 9, 2003

Washington Utility & Transportation Commission P.O. Fox 47250 Olympia, Washington 98540

#### Dear Commissioners:

It is of great importance that you not deregulate business phone rates. We are a small business, struggling to keep our heads above water and stay in business. Yeas, we only employ 38 people, but our is the type of business that provides the largest numbers of jobs in today's economy.

Already our phone bills exceed several thousand's per month. Although I have tried, I have not been able to get service from other providers. The type of business we run requires a large amount of telephone equipment, time and lines. With all of the taxes we must pay on phone services, increased rates would be the last straw. We are already facing great pressure from offshore companies, performing work over the Internet.

Too allow Qwest the option to raise our rates, when completion has not been allowed a strong foothold, could put us out of business.

Sincerely,

Michael Hastings

Marketing Director/Owner

P.O. Box 774 - Mercer Island, WA 98040 Accounting Address: 111 Jewell Street - Enumciew, WA 98022 Phone: 206.232.1266 / 877.426.4500 Fax: 360.825.4614 (30614 PERMY

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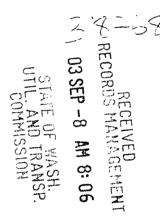
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**DEAR COMMISSIONERS:** 

AS A QWEST BUSINESS CUSTOMER I DO NOT BELIEVE THERE IS ENOUGH COMPETITION TO ENSURE OUR TELEPHONE RATES WILL REMAIN LOW. PLEASE OPPOSE THE QWEST REQUEST TO DEREGULATE THEIR BUSINESS TELEPHONE RATES.

SINCERELY,

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Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

I am a Qwest business customer. I do not believe there is enough competition to ensure our telephone rates will remain low. Please reject the Qwest request to classify their business telephone service as competitive.

Sincerely,

Jessica Cano

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J J Plumbing

3414 A St. SE #104

Auburn WA 98002

253-939-1390

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I oppose deregulation of business telephone rates by Qwest.

Sincerely,

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Sincerely

Michael Davis

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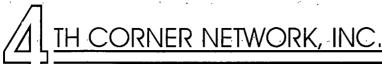
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WUTC P.O. Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Comments - Docket #030614

Dear Commissioners:

As a small business man in I urge you to deny the request by Qwest for deregulation. All one has to do is follow the news and the downsides of deregulation become painfully apparent. There is certainly not enough competition in this area to allow the deregulation of business telephone rates.

Sincerely,

Robin K Mullins

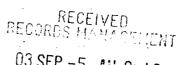
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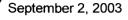
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Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission

Attn: Comments

1300 South Evergreen Park Drive SW Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

RE: Docket number: TU-030614 Business Basic Exchange

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The Spokane Valley Chamber of Commerce supports Qwest's request for state-wide pricing flexibility for their business exchange services. We represent 700 businesses in eastern Spokane County.

We have all seen tremendous changes in the business world over the last few decades. The advances in technology and a changing and diverse workforce are just two of many examples of how things have changed throughout our economy.

And when change from within the business world occurs, change in the political and regulatory world must follow suit. To that point, we believe that the way in which the telecommunications industry is regulated needs to change with the times.

For example, Qwest, the region's largest telecommunications provider faces stiff competition from a host of companies offering business services. Yet Qwest is still regulated the same way that it was when it had no real competition.

Today, there is effective competition in Washington for business telecommunications services and therefore Qwest should be allowed to compete on equal terms and conditions with its competitors. Effective competition means that customers of the service have reasonably available alternatives. That is the case in Washington today, and rules need to be changed to reflect that reality.

We would ask that the Commission grant Qwest's request to compete on a level playing field with its competition.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Eldonna Gossett President & CEO



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September 2, 2003

Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission Comments 1300 South Evergreen Park Drive SW Olympia, WA 98504-7250

RE: Docket number: TU-030614 Business Basic Exchange

To Whom It May Concern:

The Kelso Longview Chamber of Commerce supports Qwest's request for statewide pricing flexibility for their business exchange services.

There have been numerous changes in the business world over the last few decades – advances in technology and an ever changing and diverse workforce are just a few examples of how things have changed.

When change from within the business world occurs, change in the political and regulatory world must change as well. Currently the telecommunications industry is regulated and we believe that changes need to be made.

For example, Qwest, the region's largest telecommunications provider faces stiff competition from a host of companies offering business their services. Qwest is still regulated in the same way that it was when it had no real competition.

Today, there is effective competition in Washington for business telecommunications services. We feel that Qwest should be allowed to compete on equal terms and conditions with its competitors. Effective competition means that customers of the service have reasonable available alternatives. Rules need to be changed in Washington today to reflect this reality.

The Kelso Longview Chamber of Commerce asks that the Commission grant Qwest's request to compete on a level playing field with its competition.

Thank you for your consideration.

Very truly yours, Craig Anneberg

Chairman of the Board

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Re: Docket # 030614

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Sincerely,

Richard H Menti 33405 6<sup>th</sup> Ave Sout Federal Way WA 98008 253-838-8900

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**Dear Commissioners:** 

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Sincerely,

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Marine Supply & Hardware

P.O. Box 350

Anacortes WA 98221

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Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

Please do not approve the Qwest request to deregulate business telephone rates.

Sincerely,

Dave Evans

Anaco TV & Appliance 1820 Commercial Ave.

Anacortes WA 98221

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Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

The Roofing Contractors Association of Washington does not believe there is enough competition to ensure telephone rates will remain low. Please oppose the Qwest request to deregulate their business telephone rates.

Sincerely,

Mistie Chiddick

Roofing Contractors Association of Washington

20611 E Bothell-Everett Highway SE #196

Wistie Chiddick

Bothell, WA 98012

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Mike Vail J. N. Vail Co.

PO Box 1044

Wenatchee, WA 98807

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Sincerely,

Becky Gardner Snyder Roofing

20203 Broadway Ave. Snohomish, WA 98290

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Re: Docket #030614

Dear Commissioners:

I oppose the Commission granting Qwest competitive status for their business telephone service. There is not enough competition to ensure our telephone rates will remain low.

Please don't add another financial burden to doing business in Washington.

Sincerely

Thomas V. Janssen PO Box 12690

Mill Creek, WA 98082-0690

425-402-9292

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Sincerely

BillYeager

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Mill Creek, WX 98082=1170

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Sincerely

Bruce Duschel

B D Roofing

6509 Lakewood Drive W.

Lakewood, WA 98467

253-472-3484

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Sincerely,

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Dear Commissioners:

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Sincerely,

Jeff Herrmann

Allied Building Products

PO Box 44070

Tacoma, WA 98444

253-588-5504

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Sincerely,

Gene Meyer

Meyer Brothers Roofing 7777 Detroit Ave. SW

Seattle, Washington 98106

206-762-9418

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Sincerely, Jeannine Arnsberg 9923 195<sup>th</sup> Street Court East Graham, Wa 98338

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Sincerely,

Jim Hester

Malarkey Roofing Company

3417 N 19th St.

Tacoma, WA 98406

253-756-7031

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Sincerely,

Carrie Varies

**Crow Roofing** 

9500 Aurora Ave N.

Carely S. Varie

Seattle, WA 98103

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Sincerely,

Chris Johnson

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Enumclaw, WA 98022

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Sincerely,

Ron Haight Haight Roofing 4910 15<sup>th</sup> NW Seattle, WA 98107

206-784-8414

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Dear Commissioners:

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Sincerely,

Dave Weber Spokanite Dry Cleaners W. 718 Garland

Spokane WA 99205

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Sincerely,

John Timm

Western Appraisers

1024 S. 2nd Ave.

Yakima, WA 98902-4616

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Sincerely,

Greg Anderson

Design Service Corporation

PO Box 10385

Yakima, WA 98909

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SINCERELY,

DANIELLE SMITH

SMALL BUSINESS CENTER OF WASHINGTON

P O BOX 362

BELLEVUE, WA 98004

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TRACEY FISHER
BELLINGHAM TRANSFER
500 CAROLINA

BELLINGHAM, WA 98225

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Sincerely,

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**Dear Commissioners:** 

Please reject the proposal to deregulate business telephone rates by Qwest.

Sincerely,

Rankin Equipment Co.

PO Box 168

Yakima, WA 98907

(509) 453-8271

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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

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W. 718 Garland Spokane, WA 99205

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Sincerely,

Bill Henderson B & J Fiberglass 4905 Guide Meridian Bellingham WA 98226 360-398-9342

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Attn: Mark Johnson

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Sincerely,

Jim Truax

The Smoke Stack

3775 Martin Way

Olympia WA 98506

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Sincerely,

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Bellevue, WA 98004

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STATE OF WASH. UTIL. AND TRANSP. COMMISSION

Comments - Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

I oppose the Commission granting Qwest competitive status for their business telephone service. I am a Qwest business customer. I do not believe there is enough competition to ensure our telephone rates will remain low.

Sincerely,

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September 8, 2003

Washington Utility and Transportation Commission P.O. Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504

Re: Docket Number: UT-030614

To Whom It May Concern:

I would like to request that Qwest's petition to deregulate their business services is denied. In my area there is no other company to obtain business service, and until there is any real competition there is no need for this action. With no other company(s) to compare with I would not want to see an increase in my business service rates.

Sincerely,

Mary Masingale Owner

cc: Assistant State Director Mark Johnson at NFIB Headquarters

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I strongly oppose as a small business owner this petition, docket number: UT-030614

Richard D. Martin

President

Martin Motors, Inc.



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September 9, 2003

Comments -- Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

**Dear Commissioners:** 

I am a Qwest business customer. I do not believe there is enough competition to ensure our telephone rates will remain low. Please reject the Qwest request to classify their business telephone service as competitive.

Sincerely,

Colleen Hellett

Colleen Hallett
Mobile Electrical Distributors
14050 Lake City Way NE
Seattle WA 98125
206-363-2400

September 8, 2003

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Comments - Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

**Dear Commissioners:** 

Please do not approve the Qwest request. There is not enough competition to allow deregulation of business telephone rates.

Sincerely,

Ed Weber

Ed Weber Spokanite Dry Cleaners W. 718 Garland Spokane WA 99205 509-325-3241 Comments - Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

**Dear Commissioners:** 

I oppose deregulation of business telephone rates by Qwest.

Sincerely,

**Michael Hubbell** 

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Spokane, WA 99202

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COMMENTS - DOCKET # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 OLYMPIA, WA 98504-7250

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**DEAR COMMISSIONERS:** 

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Olympia, WA 98501-2737

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**Dear Commissioners:** 

Please do not approve the Qwest request for deregulation of commercial phone lines. There is not currently enough competition to allow deregulation of business telephone rates.

Sincerely.

Jim P. Simmons

President

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COBURN AUTO PARTS, INC. 19 S. MARKET BLVD CHEHALIS, WA 98532 360-748-3341

September 15, 2003

Comments - Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

As a Qwest business customer I do not believe there is enough competition to ensure our telephone rates will remain low. Please oppose the Qwest request to deregulate their business telephone rates.

Sincerely,

Donna

Coburn



### TRI-VALLEY

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Construction, Inc.

Contractor's License #TRIVAC1055KP

1008 N. 1st Street • Yakima, WA 98901 • (509) 452-4098 • Fax (509) 248-9800

September 12, 2003

Comments – Docket #030614 WUTC P.O. Box 47250 Olympia, WA. 98504-7250

RE: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioner,

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Sincerely,

Sharon L. Russell

Secretary



## Russell Crane Service, Inc.



505 Locust Yakima, WA 98901

Contractor's Lic. No. RUSSEI\*21204

(509) 457-6341 Fax (509) 248-9800

September 12, 2003

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Sincerely,

Sharon L. Russell

Vice President & Secretary

## CARRIER TRANSPORTS, INC. 319

1008 North First Street Yakima, Washington 98901 (509) 452-0136

September 12, 2003

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### CHAMBER of COMMERCE

#### THE REGIONAL ENTERPRISE CENTER

September 11, 2003

Washington State Utilities and Transportation Commission Comments 1300 South Evergreen Park Drive SW Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

RE: Docket number: TU-030614 Business Basic Exchange

Dear Sir or Madam:

The Auburn Chamber of Commerce supports Qwest's request for state-wide pricing flexibility for their business exchange services.

We have all seen tremendous changes in the business world over the last few decades. The advances in technology and a changing and diverse workforce are just two of many examples of how things have changed throughout our economy.

And when change from within the business world occurs, change in the political and regulatory world must follow suit to ensure the maintenance of healthy local economies. To that point, we believe that the way in which the telecommunications industry is regulated needs to change with the times.

For example, Qwest faces stiff competition from a host of companies offering business services. Yet Qwest is still regulated the same way that it was when it had no real competition. Also, Qwest is the primary provided of our communications infrastructure.

Today, there is effective competition in Washington for business telecommunications services and therefore Qwest should be allowed to compete on equal terms and conditions with its competitors. Effective competition means that customers of the service have reasonably available alternatives. That is the case in Washington today, and rules need to be changed to reflect that reality.

We would ask that the Commission grant Qwest's request to compete on a level playing field with its competition.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Respectfully,

Michael P. Morrisette President & C.O.O.

September 8, 2003

Comments - Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Docket # 030614 Re:

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Sincerely,

lie Jamb, co-owner Lamboo Refrigeration Inc.

This is our 30th year in business and with the increased tayes and regulations most of us housiness owners may be an extinct species soon.



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September 10, 2003

Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission Comments 1300 South Evergreen Park Drive SW Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

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Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully

P.K. MacDonald Executive Director

Per unanimous board action on August 28, 2003

The Fife Area Chamber of Commerce is dedicated to promoting commerce, assisting area businesses and advancing the business image of the Fife area.

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September 5, 2003



Comments - Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

As a Quest customer, I urge oppose the Commission granting Quest competitive status for their business telephone service. There is not enough competition to ensure our telephone rates will remain low.

Sincerely,

Stephen Davenport Bellingham Transfer

500 Carolina

Bellingham, WA 98225

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J. Ronald Gerbery



# BASIN CITY AUTO PARTS, INC. 319

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WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

Very soon you will be making a decision whether to grant or disapprove a request by Qwest to eliminate government controls on rates they may charge. I strongly disapprove of granting this request.

There is not as much competition out there as Qwest believes, in order to control rates charged. There is no guarantee, that the small phone company which services the rural areas Qwest chooses not to service, will not increase rates to businesses if Qwest chooses to increase the rates they charge. It is hard enough for the small business to keep the doors open with increasing costs.

Please consider this request carefully, before making a decision to only line the pockets of a large company like Qwest.

Sincerely.

Dennis Hall

September 5, 2003

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Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

The Qwest request to deregulate business telephone rates should be rejected.

Sincerely,

Steve Demopoulos

Marine Supply & Hardware

P.O. Box 350

Anacortes WA 98221

360-293-3014

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September 5, 2003

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Comments - Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

There is not enough competition to allow deregulation of business telephone rates as Qwest has requested. Please reject the Qwest request.

Sincerely,

Bruce Tate
Bruce Tate, CPA
40 Lake Bellevue Dr. Suite 260
Bellevue, WA 98004

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August 20, 2003

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Comments - Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250 STATE OF WASH. UTIL. AND TRANSP. COMMISSION

Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

Please do not approve the Qwest request to deregulate business telephone rates.

Sincerely

Matt DeKerrie Roofmaster

1819 South Central Space 69

Kent, WA 98032
253-813-0561

## DICK HOWARD & SONS ELECTRIC, INC.

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September 4, 2003

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Re: Docket # 030614

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Dear Commissioners:

As a Qwest business customer we do not believe there is enough competition to ensure telephone rates will remain low. Please oppose the Qwest request to deregulate their business telephone rates.

Sincerely,

Richard D. Howard

Dick Howard & Sons Electric, Inc

September 8, 2003

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Dean Commissionens:

Please do not approve the Owest request. There is enough competition to allow deregulation of business telephone rates.

Sincerely,

Michelle Smith

Small Business Center of Washington

P O Box 362

Bellevue, WC 98004

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September 8, 2003

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STATE OF WASH. UTIL. AND TRANSP. COMMISSION

Comments – Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

Please do not approve the Qwest request. There is not enough competition to allow deregulation of business telephone rates.

Sincerely,

Gloria Avery Industrial Welding

1203 N. Greene St.

Spokane, WA 99202

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STATE OF WASH. UTIL. AND TRANSP. COMMISSION

COMMENTS - DOCKET # 030614 WUTC PO BOX 47250 OLYMPIA, WA 98504-7250

**RE:** DOCKET # 030614

**DEAR COMMISSIONERS:** 

PLEASE OPPOSE THE PROPOSAL BY QWEST TO DEREGULATE BUSINESS TELEPHONE RATES. THERE IS NOT ENOUGH COMPETITION.

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KURT H. KIMBALL KIMBALL CABINETS 2515 S. ASSEMBLE RD. SPOKANE WA 99204

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STATE OF WASH. UTIL. AND TRANSP. COMMISSION

Comments - Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket # U5U014

Dear Commissioners:

Please reject the proposal to deregulate business telephone rates. There is not enough competition to justify this request by Qwest.

Sincerely

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PO Box 10385

Yakima, WA 98909

509-248-8531



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STATE OF WASH. UTIL. AND TRANSP. COMMISSION 801 W. Riverside Ave. Spokane, WA 99201 509.624 1393 Fax 509.747.0077 www.spokanechamber.org

Washington Ctilities and Transportation Commission Comments 1300 South Evergreen Park Drive SW Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

September 8, 2003

RE: Docket number: TU-030614 Business Basic Exchange

To Whom It May Concern:

The Chamber supports the nation's free market system that brings quality products to market through competition. We have such competition in telecommunications, almost.

We understand that Qwest has filed a petition with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission to achieve the same level of pricing flexibility for its basic business telecommunications services as its competitors enjoy for similar services.

The number of companies that offer telecommunication services to businesses in this state is truly impressive. Everyone should play by the same rules. Yet, Qwest must notify the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission a full 30 days in advance of a product rollout, while its competitors only need to give 10-days notice. This is a distinct competitive disadvantage for Qwest.

We believe that Owest's petition is a fair and equitable request.

Sincerely,

Richard G. Hadley

Remostrally

President

2003 September Comments - Docket # 030614 Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250 Dear Commissioners: We oppose the proposal by Qwest - Docket # 030616 - to classify its local business telephone services as competitive and remove rate-setting controls by the Commission because (mark as many of the points below you agree with): There is simply not enough competition to assure that business telephone rates will remain at current levels or below. I am not aware of any competition in my area for local business telephone service. Qwest is so dominate in the market that no competition really exists so if Owest raises its rates. so will most or all of its competitors because we have no where else to get telephone service. Other (explain here and on the back if you need more room) Thank you for your consideration, Sign your name above Ruhard Pratt

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Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

Please oppose the proposal by Quest to deregulate business telephone rates. There is not enough competition.

Sincerely, Landy C. Prouty
President: Royax Construction Supply INC.

Spokane, WA 99217 509.466.0687-

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## BLAKELY & HOUT, INC. 1685 N NATIONAL CHEHALIS, WA 98532 (360)748-3377

SEPTEMBER 15, 2003

COMMENTS - DOCKET # 030614 WUTC PO BOX 47250 OLYMPIA, WA 98504-7250

RE: DOCKET # 030614

DEAR COMMISSIONERS:

THERE IS NOT ENOUGH COMPETITION TO ALLOW DEREGULATION OF BUSINESS TELEPHONE RATES AS QWEST HAS REQUESTED. PLEASE REJECT THE QWEST REQUEST.

SINCERELY

DICK BECKMAN BLAKELY & HOUT

1685 N. NATIONAL AVE.

CHEHALIS WA. 98532

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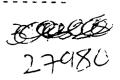
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Wednesday, September 17, 2003

Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission P.O. Box 47250 Olympia, Wa 98504-7250

### Dear Commissioners:

Regarding Docket # 030614, We at Warmoth Guitar Products, Inc. want to go on the record as strongly opposing Qwest-Docket # 030616- to classify its local business telephone services as competitive and thereby remove the rate setting controls by the Commission because first we are unaware of any competition in our area for local elephone business service, second, as Qwest has a virtual market with most others just buying is there is no incentive for anyone to be competitive to go to get telephone service.

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September 26, 2003

Comments – Docket #030614 Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission P.O. Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Dear Sir or Madam:

As a tax accountant specializing in providing service to small business owners, this letter not only represents me but nearly 200 of my small business clients. The proposal by Qwest Communications to classify its local business telephone services as competitive and remove rate-setting controls by your commission may be good for Qwest but it will be harmful to business, especially small business.

Contrary to statements by Qwest, there is not the availability to small business for competitive service to create competition to keep rates in check. In fact, here in my local there is no competition for local business telephone service; Qwest is the only service provider. Even if there were any competitors, Qwest is so dominant in this market they would simply follow Qwest's lead in setting service rates.

Until such time as cellular or other technology can provide service as reliable and widespread as local telephone service, Qwest will continue to enjoy a monopoly, and as any other monopoly utility, they must continue to be regulated by your commission.

Sincerely,

Jerry A. Grant, E.A.

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Dear Commissioners:

I am opposed to the proposal by Qwest (Docket #030616) to classify local telephone service for businesses as competitive thereby removing the rate-setting controls by the Commission. Since Qwest is so dominate in the market no competition really exists. If Qwest raises its rates, I am not aware of any no other telephone service companies available in my local area.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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**Dear Commissioners:** 

I believe there is enough competition already in the telephone industry in Washington State. If the Qwest request for deregulation is passed, I believe the cost of business telephone rates will increase dramatically. Small businesses, such as ours, cannot afford this.

The Qwest request for deregulation, which is before your commission, should be denied.

Sincerely,

Susan Grove

Co-owner

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Re: Docket # 030614

**Dear Commissioners:** 

As a business customer here in Washington State, I don't believe there is enough competition to ensure that our telephone rates will remain low. PLEASE OPPOSE the Qwest request to deregulate their business telephone rates.

Sincerely,

Jim W. Dean

Twin City Collision Center Inc.

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#### PRONTO MARKET, INC.

103 S. MAIN STREET
P. O. BOX 500
GRANGER, WASHINGTON 98932

September 15, 2003

Comments - Docket #030614 Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission P.O. Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Dear Commissioners:

I oppose the proposal by Qwest - Docket #030616 - to classify its local business telephone services as competitive and remove rate-setting controls by the Commission because there is not enough competition to assure that business telephone rates will remain at current levels or below.

Qwest is so dominate in the market that no competition really exists and if they raise their rates, so will the other competitors because we have no where else to get telephone service.

We are at the mercy of whoever provides the telephone service for our business as we cannot "shop around" for this service.

Thank you for your consideration.

PRONTO MARKET, INC.

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September 11, 2003

TO: Washington state Utility & Transportation Commission

FR: David Ward @ Affordable Services

RE: UT-030614 (Qwest's request to deregulate business phone service)

Dear Washington state Utility & Transportation Commission:

As a small business owner an Washington state, I have seen my cost of doing business go up year after year with rising Worker's Compensation rates, Unemployment Insurance rate hikes, etc. If Qwest is allowed to deregulate its small business phone service, that would be one more cost increase to my business budget, that is already stretched to its limit.

In most areas, Qwest is the only option for business phone service and until there is ample competition I fear that instead of pricing services based on a truly competitive basis, Qwest would be free to set rates that are significantly higher than what they are now, without the choice to switch providers.

Phone services is the life-blood of small business in Washington state and we need to keep it affordable. I kindly request that you deny Qwest's petition (UT-030614) to deregulate small business phone service in the Washington state.

David Ward

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The recession has been hard on our firm. The thought of dealing with added costs from an unregulated monopoly is simply too much to bear.

We respectfully request you deny Qwest's proposal.

Thank you for your consideration.

Tim Gardner President

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September 8, 2003

Comments - Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

**Dear Commissioners:** 

I am a Qwest business customer. I do not believe there is enough competition to ensure our telephone rates will remain low. Please reject the Qwest request to classify their business telephone service as competitive.

Sincerely,

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O'Neill's Diesel Service

PO Box 685

Ellensburg, WA 98926

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Comments - Socket # 030614 WUTC PG Box 47250 Glympia, WG 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

Dean Commissionens:

Please reject the proposal to deregulate business telephone rates. There is not enough competition to justify this request by Owest.

Sincerely,

Candy Myers
Piper Plumbing & Heating, Inc.
P.O. Box 3992
Snokane WA 99220-3992

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September 15, 2003

Comments - Docket # 030814 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

I oppose the Commission granting Gwest competitive status for their business telephone service. I am a Gwest business customer. I do not believe there is enough competition to ensure our telephone rates will remain low.

Sincerely,

**Brian Tornow** 

Barnett Implements

127 Hamilton Rd. N

Chehalis WA 98532

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September 15, 2003

Comments - Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WR 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

As a Quest business customer I do not believe there is enough competition to ensure our telephone rates will remain low. Please oppose the Quest request to deregulate their business telephone rates.

Sincerely,

Ann-Tornow

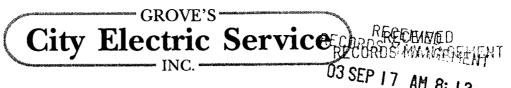
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**September 16, 2003** 

Comments – Docket #030614 Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission P.O. Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

#### **Dear Commissioners:**

I believe there is enough competition already in the telephone industry in Washington State. If the Qwest request for deregulation is passed, I believe the cost of business telephone rates will increase dramatically. Small businesses, such as ours, cannot afford this.

The Qwest request for deregulation, which is before your commission, should be denied.

Sincerely,

Susan Grove

Secretary-Treasurer

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COMMENTS - DOCKET # 030614 WUTC PO BOX 47250 OLYMPIA, WA 98504-7250

RE: DOCKET#030614

DEAR COMMISSIONERS:

PLEASE REJECT THE PROPOSAL TO DEREGULATE BUSINESS TELEPHONE RATES. THERE IS NOT ENOUGH COMPETITION TO JUSTIFY THIS REQUEST

BY QWEST.

SINCERELY.

TERRY HOLMSTROM
TERRY'S AUTOMOTIVE
2021 W HARRISON
OLYMPIA WA 98502
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September 15, 2003

Comments – Docket # 030614 WUTC PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket # 030614

Dear Commissioners:

Currently for the smaller businesses in Washington, there is not enough competition to allow deregulation of business telephone rates as Qwest has requested. Please reject the Qwest request.

Sincerely,

Sincerely yours,

Eugene C. Wasserman

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September 19, 2003

Comments – Docket# 030616 Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

## Dear Commissioners:

Innovative Vacuum Services, Inc. is opposed to the proposal by Qwest—Docket# 030616— to classify its local business telephone services as competitive, and we are also opposed to the removal of rate-setting controls by the Commission. We utilize Qwest foreign exchange line service. We are, therefore, affected by the proposed action.

We opposed removing the rate-setting controls because there is not enough competition to assure that business telephone rates will remain at current levels. There certainly is not any competition in our area for local business telephone service that I am aware of.

Qwest controls the market it serves. If allowed to, it will raise its rates as much as they think they can get away with.

We are generally opposed to more regulations most any business area. But in this situation, we want existing regulations kept in place to protect the viability of our small business in this market.

Sincerely,

Innovative Vacuum Services, Inc.

Charles E. Mott, President

September Comments - Docket # 030614 Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250 Dear Commissioners: We oppose the proposal by Qwest - Docket # 030616 - to classify its local business telephone services as competitive and remove rate-setting controls by the Commission because (mark as many of the points below you agree with): There is simply not enough competition to assure that business telephone rates will remain at current levels or below. I am not aware of any competition in my area for local business telephone service. Qwest is so dominate in the market that no competition really exists so if Qwest raises its rates, so will most or all of its competitors because we have no where else to get telephone service. Other (explain here and on the back if you need more room) As far as I can tell Quest is a monopoly. Maybe if their market share drops well under 50%. I would change my mind. Thope you have a realistic definition of a monopoly.

Thank you for your consideration, Sign your name above Print your name above 860 S 192 St.

Print your address above Sea Tac WA. 98148

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Dear Commissioners:

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Please give this your full consideration.

Thank you for understanding our situation.

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## **SEPTEMBER 4, 2003**

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RE: DOCKET#030614

**DEAR COMMISSIONERS:** 

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