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Reminder of Need For Hearing-Related Information

RE: In the Matter of the Application of US WEST, INC., and QWEST COMMUNICATIONS INTERNATIONAL, INC. For an Order Disclaiming Jurisdiction, or in the Alternative, Approving the US WEST, INC., - QWEST COMMUNICATIONS INTERNATIONAL, INC. Merger
Docket No. UT-991358

TO ALL PARTIES:

The Fifteenth Supplemental Order, a prehearing conference order, asked the parties to provide certain information that will be helpful in determining process- and logistics-related issues. This is a reminder and request that parties do so.

First, parties presenting public testimony were to advise the bench, after consultation with other parties, of the timing and nature of public witnesses' presentations. We are interested in whether public witnesses will appear personally or will call in on the Commission's bridge line, and when counsel want them to appear—at the conclusion of the party's presentation, or at a pre-defined time.

Second, parties were to advise the bench of the responsibility of their witnesses for portions of their direct written presentations. I believe everyone has done this informally, but ask that you merely cut and paste the information into your filing so we have all the information in a single place that is easily accessible and clearly on file in the records center.

Third, parties were to provide to the bench no later than today, June 1, the number and nature of any exhibits you might use on cross-examination, in furtherance of determining whether the prehearing conference scheduled for June 3 will be necessary.

I realize that there has been an exchange of electronic mail relating to some of these topics, but I wonder if you might please reprise the information in a single written update to the Commission, to be delivered electronically **no later than noon on June 2** with hard copies delivered at the time of the prehearing conference, if any, or at the hearing if no prehearing conference is held. It would make things easier to arrange for the hearing, would expedite a decision on whether a conference is needed, and would help get us off to a good start for the hearing.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

C. ROBERT WALLIS
Administrative Law Judge