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                   TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
     AT&T BROADBAND PHONE OF
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- 1 JUDGE MACE: Let's be on the record in the
- 2 case of AT&T Broadband Phone of Washington, L.L.C.,
- 3 the Complainant, against Qwest Corporation, the
- 4 Respondent. This is Docket Number UT-020388. This
- 5 is June 27th, 2002, and we are convening in Room 108
- 6 at the offices of the Washington Utilities and
- 7 Transportation Commission in Olympia, Washington.
- 8 My name is Theo Mace. I'm the presiding
- 9 officer at this hearing. I'd like to take
- 10 appearances of counsel now in the short form. Let's
- 11 begin with Qwest.
- 12 MS. ANDERL: Thank you. Lisa Anderl,
- 13 representing Qwest. Is it on? I don't see a switch.
- 14 JUDGE MACE: I don't see a switch, either.
- MR. KOPTA: This isn't on here, so I don't
- 16 think this is. Well --
- MS. ANDERL: Yeah, the lights aren't
- 18 bouncing around.
- JUDGE MACE: Try now.
- MS. ANDERL: Yeah. How's that? I mean,
- 21 it's not that people can't hear each other, but --
- MR. KOPTA: Just in case you mumble.
- MS. ANDERL: Lisa Anderl, on behalf of
- 24 Qwest.
- MR. KOPTA: Gregory Kopta, of the law firm

- 1 Davis, Wright, Tremaine, L.L.P., on behalf of AT&T
- 2 Broadband Phone.
- 3 MS. SMITH: Shannon Smith, for Commission
- 4 Staff.
- 5 JUDGE MACE: Thank you. Is there anything
- 6 we need to address before we commence hearing from
- 7 the first witness? If not, then, Mr. Kopta.
- 8 MR. KOPTA: Thank you, Your Honor. AT&T
- 9 Broadband calls Jonathan Wolf.
- JUDGE MACE: Mr. Wolf.
- MR. WOLF: Yes.
- 12 JUDGE MACE: That's our witness chair,
- 13 apparently. Would you stand and raise your right
- 14 hand?
- 15 Whereupon,
- JONATHAN WOLF,
- 17 having been first duly sworn, was called as a witness
- 18 herein and was examined and testified as follows:
- JUDGE MACE: Thank you.
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- 21 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 22 BY MR. KOPTA:
- Q. Mr. Wolf, would you state your name and
- 24 business address for the record, please?
- 25 A. Yes, Jonathan Wolf, J-o-n-a-t-h-a-n

- 1 W-o-l-f. Business address is -- I have no idea what
- 2 my business street is. Terman Road, Beaverton,
- 3 Oregon.
- Q. And do you have before you documents that
- 5 have been marked for identification as Exhibits 1-T,
- 6 2-T, 3, 4 and 5, which are the direct testimony of
- 7 Jonathan Wolf, reply testimony of Jonathan Wolf, and
- 8 Exhibits 3 and 4 to the reply testimony of Jonathan
- 9 Wolf, as well as confidential materials that were
- 10 submitted in support of expedited relief on April
- 11 10th, 2002?
- 12 A. I believe I'm missing the confidential
- 13 exhibits.
- Q. I'll provide you with a copy.
- 15 A. Thank you.
- Q. With respect to Exhibits 1-T and 2-T, were
- 17 those exhibits prepared by you or under your
- 18 direction and control?
- 19 A. Yes, they were.
- Q. With respect to all of the exhibits that we
- 21 have identified, are those true and correct, to the
- 22 best of your knowledge?
- 23 A. Yes, they are.
- MR. KOPTA: Your Honor, at this time, I
- would move for admission of Exhibits 1-T, 2-T, 3, 4

- 1 and 5.
- JUDGE MACE: Ms. Anderl.
- 3 MS. ANDERL: Qwest has no objection to
- 4 Exhibits 1 through 4 inclusive; however, we do object
- 5 to the admission of Exhibit Number 5. It was not
- 6 presented as part of the prefiled testimony in this
- 7 case, and it was our understanding, from AT&T's
- 8 representations, that that material was presented in
- 9 support of its application for expedited review at
- 10 the emergency hearing that was convened on April
- 11 12th.
- 12 AT&T withdrew their request for expedited
- 13 handling or emergency relief, and it was therefore
- 14 our belief and understanding that AT&T would not be
- 15 relying on that material in the presentation of its
- 16 direct case.
- 17 We do understand that, as documents filed
- 18 with the Commission under this docket number, they
- 19 are a part of the Commission's official record and
- 20 file. However, we do object to them being admitted
- 21 as exhibits in this case for the truth of the matter
- 22 contained therein.
- MR. KOPTA: Well, we filed this information
- 24 in response to the Commission's direction to provide
- 25 evidence in support of our complaint, which was also

- 1 inclusive of a remedy asking for expedited relief.
- 2 We did -- and/or emergency relief. We did withdraw
- 3 our request for emergency relief; we did not withdraw
- 4 our request for some form of expedited relief. In
- 5 fact, we have proceeded on a schedule that is much
- 6 quicker than the standard Commission schedule.
- 7 So our understanding is that the
- 8 information that we provided was to be relied on by
- 9 the Commission in support of our complaint. In fact,
- 10 Mr. Wolf summarizes much of what's included in that
- 11 exhibit in his direct testimony.
- 12 In data requests that we've propounded to
- 13 Qwest, we've made reference to those. In fact,
- 14 Exhibit 32, which is Qwest's response to AT&T
- 15 Broadband Data Request Number 01-005, there is a
- 16 specific reference to the information that was
- 17 provided in these confidential materials.
- So Owest has had these materials since
- 19 April 10th, AT&T specifically asked Qwest to conduct
- 20 some additional discovery based on those materials,
- 21 and our understanding all along was that they would
- 22 be included as part of the evidentiary record in this
- 23 case. So there's certainly no prejudice to Qwest,
- 24 and if there was a misunderstanding, then we
- 25 apologize, but that was certainly our understanding,

- 1 was that this would be part of the case.
- JUDGE MACE: Ms. Smith, do you have any --
- 3 MS. SMITH: Very briefly, Your Honor. The
- 4 only comment that Staff has is that, from what I
- 5 understand, Ms. Anderl's objection is is that this
- 6 material was not included in the prefiled direct
- 7 testimony of Mr. Wolf. However, as Mr. Kopta has
- 8 stated, this information was filed at the Commission
- 9 quite some time ago and it certainly was prefiled in
- 10 the broad sense of the term, and Commission Staff
- 11 sees no prejudice to Qwest to have this information
- 12 included as an exhibit in the record.
- JUDGE MACE: Thank you. Anything further,
- 14 Ms. Anderl?
- MS. ANDERL: Well, Your Honor, we don't
- 16 object to the portions that are duplicated by, say,
- 17 for example, Exhibit Number 32, but there's quite a
- 18 lot more information in here than is -- was
- 19 summarized by Mr. Wolf or was discussed in discovery,
- 20 and so we do think that it's prejudicial and we do
- 21 think that it was limited to support for the relief
- 22 that was requested at the April 12th hearing, and we
- 23 believe that it is not proper to admit it as an
- 24 exhibit.
- JUDGE MACE: I'll admit Exhibits 1 through

- 1 4. I'm also going to admit Exhibit 5. If you need
- 2 time to review it in order to conduct
- 3 cross-examination, I would be willing to give you,
- 4 you Qwest, an opportunity to look it over in more
- 5 detail, just because there may have been some
- 6 misunderstanding about whether or not it would be
- 7 presented at this particular time, so that you can --
- 8 you'll at least have a chance to spend a little bit
- 9 more time with it if you need it.
- MS. ANDERL: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 11 MR. KOPTA: Thank you, Your Honor. And
- 12 with that, the witness is available for
- 13 cross-examination.

- 15 CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 16 BY MS. ANDERL:
- Q. Good morning, Mr. Wolf.
- 18 A. Good morning.
- 19 Q. I'm Lisa Anderl, the attorney representing
- 20 Qwest in this matter. I believe we may have spoken
- 21 before, years ago, in Oregon.
- 22 A. I believe so.
- Q. State for me again, please, your job title
- 24 at AT&T Broadband?
- 25 A. I am the operations manager for the

- 1 telephony and broadband Internet department. We work
- 2 provisioning in the state of Oregon and in southwest
- 3 Washington, specifically Vancouver and the
- 4 surrounding areas.
- 5 Q. And give me a little bit more detail about
- 6 your duties and responsibilities. I know you just
- 7 said generally operations and provisioning, but kind
- 8 of go down one more level.
- 9 A. Of course. I supervise a staff of 75
- 10 engineers and customer service representatives whose
- 11 responsibility is to take a service order post-sale
- 12 through implementation of that order, delivery of the
- 13 service to the end user residential customer. I also
- 14 oversee a small group of engineers whose
- 15 responsibility it is to repair and maintain those
- 16 facilities once delivered to the customer.
- 17 For all intents and purposes, the sales
- 18 department is about the only organization in the
- 19 telephony group I don't oversee. Sales takes place,
- 20 an order is entered, and that order then is processed
- 21 through various steps for service delivery.
- 22 Q. So your group does not touch the order
- 23 until AT&T has already solicited the customer and
- 24 obtained the customer's consent or agreement to
- 25 become an AT&T customer?

- 1 A. That's correct. The sale takes place
- 2 through one of three means, either direct sales,
- 3 inbound call center, or outbound telemarketing. My
- 4 group does not see the order until that order has
- 5 passed third party verification.
- 6 Q. Now, turn, if you would, briefly, to page
- 7 -- Exhibit Number 4, which is your JW-4.
- A. It appears to me I don't have a complete
- 9 copy. Thank you. Page four, yes.
- 10 Q. Exhibit 4, not page four, just the first
- 11 page.
- 12 A. Exhibit 4, page one, two, three, four.
- Q. No, just Exhibit 4.
- 14 A. Ah, okay.
- 15 Q. There are a number of employees, both Qwest
- 16 and AT&T identified on this fairly lengthy document.
- 17 I'd just like to explore with you which of the named
- 18 AT&T employees, if any, report to you or work in your
- 19 organization.
- 20 A. Okay.
- Q. Donna Osborne-Miller?
- 22 A. No, does not work for me.
- Q. Terry Bahner?
- A. Not directly.
- Q. Can you explain that, please?

- 1 A. Ms. Bahner is the AT&T representative which
- 2 -- whose responsibilities are vendor management, and
- 3 so she is our liaison between my organization and
- 4 Qwest.
- 5 Q. And Mr. Wolf, the testimony that you have
- 6 before you as Exhibits 1 and 2, did you prepare that?
- 7 A. Prepared individually and with support of
- 8 counsel, yes.
- 9 Q. Okay. Was there anyone other than your
- 10 attorney who helped you prepare that testimony?
- 11 A. It was reviewed by both Lindel Watkis, who
- 12 works for me, and --
- JUDGE MACE: I'm sorry, the name was,
- 14 again?
- 15 THE WITNESS: Lindel Watkis.
- JUDGE MACE: How do you spell that?
- 17 THE WITNESS: W-a-t-k-i-s. And by my boss,
- 18 Mike Mason, M-a-s-o-n.
- 19 Q. Now, in responses to Staff data requests,
- 20 you have stated that AT&T does offer a local service
- 21 freeze to its customers in Washington State; is that
- 22 still correct?
- 23 A. That is correct.
- Q. And does AT&T use a third party verifier to
- 25 confirm a customer's desire to impose a local service

- 1 freeze?
- 2 A. Yes, we do.
- Q. Is that the same third party verifier that
- 4 AT&T uses to confirm that a customer wants to sign up
- 5 with AT&T as a customer?
- 6 A. Yes, it is.
- 7 Q. And your data request response -- and Your
- 8 Honor, just so that it's clear, I'm referring to
- 9 pages out of Exhibit 41, which are the AT&T --
- JUDGE MACE: And which pages would those
- 11 be?
- MS. ANDERL: -- the AT&T responses to
- 13 Staff's data request.
- JUDGE MACE: Right, but can you identify
- 15 them?
- 16 MS. ANDERL: I can. I don't know if they
- 17 are numbered sequentially, but -- that they are, but
- 18 I'm on the second page from the back right now.
- JUDGE MACE: This is 40 or 41?
- MS. ANDERL: Forty-one.
- JUDGE MACE: Forty-one.
- MR. KOPTA: Your Honor, if I might
- 23 approach?
- 24 JUDGE MACE: This is Discovery Request
- 25 Number Eight?

- 1 MS. ANDERL: Yes, it is.
- 2 MR. KOPTA: Well, that's the same thing.
- 3 Q. And exhibit -- or Response and Request
- 4 Number Eight was just basically the information that
- 5 I had just asked you about, and I was simply asking
- 6 you to confirm if that was still accurate?
- 7 A. Yes, it is.
- Q. And on the last page, Data Request Number
- 9 Nine, AT&T Broadband indicates there that AT&T
- 10 Broadband does not use a contracted vendor for
- 11 removal of local service freeze; is that correct?
- 12 A. That's also correct.
- Q. So does that mean that AT&T Broadband
- 14 employees remove the local service freezes themselves
- if a customer asks AT&T to do it?
- 16 A. That would be correct, subject to
- 17 verification of a third party. It's a two-step
- 18 process.
- 19 O. Okay. So let me understand. This is on a
- 20 removal of a freeze. You still obtain a third party
- 21 verification for removal of a freeze or not, when
- 22 it's an AT&T Broadband customer who has the freeze?
- 23 A. Give me a minute. I have to think through
- 24 the process.
- 25 Q. Okay.

- 1 A. I would say no, it's not third party
- 2 verified.
- 3 Q. That's fine. Going back to the Request
- 4 Number Eight, are you familiar with how AT&T advises
- 5 its customers of the availability of a local service
- 6 freeze in Washington?
- 7 A. Yes, I am.
- 8 Q. Can you describe that?
- 9 A. We provide the customer with written
- 10 notification that their freeze is available, I
- 11 believe it's imprinted on the first bill that they
- 12 receive, and we have a process in place to renotify
- 13 the customers that the freeze is available -- I think
- 14 it comes on every bill insert, but we also have a
- 15 process that notifies the customer once a year that
- 16 the freeze is also available.
- Q. Do you know if you do that in Oregon, as
- 18 well?
- 19 A. I believe we do, yes.
- Q. Do you know if Oregon has a rule similar to
- 21 Washington's that requires a local provider to offer
- 22 a local service freeze?
- 23 A. That I don't know.
- Q. Okay. Now, you've indicated that when a
- 25 customer freezes his or her local account with AT&T

- 1 Broadband, you do do that through a third party
- 2 verification?
- 3 A. That's correct.
- 4 Q. Do you know how long the third party
- 5 verification is retained?
- 6 A. I believe the -- it just changed. I
- 7 believe three years.
- 8 Q. And that's on a freeze?
- 9 A. It's on all account records.
- 10 Q. Okay. Turning back to Exhibit Number 4,
- 11 which is your JW-4, can you describe for me what --
- 12 your understanding of what that document is?
- 13 A. My understanding is Document Four is the
- 14 request to change the process for removing the local
- 15 freeze for residential accounts. And in the first
- 16 significant number of pages is the history of events
- 17 surrounding the request, and then the next batch of
- 18 pages is the specifics of the request and its
- 19 responses.
- Q. And are you familiar at any level of detail
- 21 with the change management process that Qwest and the
- 22 CLEC community have created?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. And can we use the acronym CMP, or CMP for
- 25 that?

- 1 A. Sure, that's fine.
- Q. And is this document, Exhibit 4, a document
- 3 that's generated as part of the CMP process?
- 4 A. It appears to be.
- 5 Q. Okay. And would you accept that, in the
- 6 context of the CMP process, this is called a CR, or
- 7 change request?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Have you ever attended a CMP meeting?
- 10 A. No.
- 11 Q. Do you know how often they're held?
- 12 A. No. I get invited by phone periodically
- 13 every Friday, so I assume they're pretty regular.
- 14 Q. Okay, thank you. Let's look at your direct
- 15 testimony, please.
- 16 A. Sure.
- 17 Q. Exhibit 1, page six.
- 18 A. Okay.
- 19 Q. Line 21.
- 20 A. Yep.
- Q. And we can see if we all have the same
- 22 pagination and line numbers. Do you see the sentence
- 23 that says, "The vast majority of these customers?"
- 24 A. Yes.
- Q. When you refer to the vast majority of

- 1 these customers, are you talking generally about the
- 2 144 customers who are identified in the confidential
- 3 materials and also in the data request response
- 4 that's Exhibit Number 32?
- 5 A. At the time the testimony was written, yes,
- 6 the vast majority refers to the 144 customers, and
- 7 since then, hundreds more.
- 8 Q. Have you ever spoken directly with any of
- 9 the subscribers?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Did you provide their names in this
- 12 testimony, any of the ones that you spoke with?
- 13 A. No.
- Q. Turn to page nine, and until I tell you
- 15 otherwise, we'll be in your direct testimony, Exhibit
- 16 Number 1. Line 22. You indicate that, as of April
- 17 25th, 2002, 234 customers have been affected in the
- 18 Seattle and Vancouver areas. What do you mean by
- 19 affected?
- 20 A. Two hundred and thirty-four customers who
- 21 our request for local service porting were rejected
- 22 because their accounts were frozen and the system
- 23 thereby did not send a firm order commitment, but
- 24 instead a rejection.
- 25 Q. Now, is that for the period of February

- 1 18th through April 25th?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. Okay. Now, are those -- the 144 customers
- 4 that we've discussed earlier, are those a subset of
- 5 the 234 that you describe there?
- 6 A. Yes, they are.
- 7 Q. And are the 90 customers who are not part
- 8 of that subset identified anywhere in your testimony?
- 9 A. I don't believe they are, no.
- 10 Q. At the top of page ten, you state that 70
- 11 percent of those customers have had to have their
- 12 installation date rescheduled. Is that 70 percent of
- 13 234?
- 14 A. Yes, it is.
- 15 Q. Okay. And you say that 25 percent were
- 16 rescheduled multiple times?
- 17 A. That's correct. In fact, the reschedules
- 18 are now up to about 39 -- multiple reschedules are
- 19 now up to about 39 percent.
- Q. At the time you gave that testimony, the 25
- 21 percent being rescheduled multiple times, that was 25
- 22 percent of the 70 percent of the customers who had to
- 23 be rescheduled initially?
- 24 A. No, 25 percent of the 234.
- 25 Q. Okay. How many customers in Washington did

- 1 AT&T obtain during the ten-week period from February
- 2 18th through April 25th?
- 3 A. I don't know.
- Q. Do you know how many customers AT&T
- 5 solicited during that time?
- 6 A. No.
- 7 Q. Okay. Was it more than 234?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Do you know how many orders the people who
- 10 work for you process on a weekly basis for --
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. Can you tell me that or is that a
- 13 confidential number? Or can you give me an order of
- 14 magnitude?
- 15 A. I was going to give you an order of
- 16 magnitude, but I have to work it out.
- 17 Q. We can -- I have a lot of other questions,
- 18 so I mean, we could maybe discuss how to handle that
- 19 on a break if --
- 20 A. Okay.
- 21 Q. -- we're going to struggle with it. Line
- 22 15, still on page ten, make a reference to doctor --
- 23 an understanding that you had about Dr. Blackmon's
- 24 account being frozen?
- 25 A. I'm sorry, which page?

- 1 Q. Page ten.
- 2 A. Thank you.
- 3 Q. Around line 15.
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Where did you obtain that understanding?
- 6 A. I believe the information came from our law
- 7 and government affairs office.
- 8 Q. Who?
- 9 A. I don't recall.
- 10 Q. Okay. I think it's going to be appropriate
- 11 to talk about freezes here, because the temperature
- 12 is starting to drop.
- JUDGE MACE: Let's take just a second.
- 14 (Recess taken.)
- Okay. Mr. Wolf, turn now, please, to your
- 16 rebuttal testimony, Exhibit Number 2.
- 17 A. Okay.
- 18 Q. Page three.
- 19 A. Okay.
- Q. You state, starting at line eight and a
- 21 half, that you are not aware of any similar slamming
- 22 activity for local service in Washington. Do you see
- 23 that?
- 24 A. Yes.
- Q. Did you undertake any investigation into

- 1 whether local slamming was occurring in Washington?
- 2 A. No, I did not.
- 3 Q. So if there were Commission records that
- 4 indicated that there were problems with certain
- 5 carriers, I don't know if the word is performing,
- 6 performing local slamming, you would not have -- you
- 7 would not be aware of that?
- 8 A. Again, I'd be surprised if any were
- 9 occurring. No, I wasn't aware.
- 10 Q. You didn't do any research to determine if
- 11 any was occurring?
- 12 A. No.
- 13 Q. Turn to page five. Now, you state that
- 14 AT&T has lost a substantial number of customers who
- 15 were essentially, I guess in your words, too
- 16 discouraged to persevere and get their local service
- 17 freeze lifted. Is that a fair summary?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Do you quantify that substantial number
- 20 anywhere in your testimony?
- 21 A. Roughly ten percent of those who are
- 22 frozen. And no, it's not in my testimony, to the
- 23 best of my knowledge.
- Q. Turn, then, to page six, please, lines 23
- 25 and 24. You say that the marketing materials that

- 1 Qwest sends to its customers refer to the Commission,
- 2 leaving the impression that the Commission, not just
- 3 Owest, fears that CLECs are not to be trusted. Do
- 4 you see that testimony?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. Turn to Exhibit JW-3, or just plain old
- 7 Exhibit 3. Oh, you don't have it?
- 8 A. Well, I'm not as well marked as I should
- 9 be.
- 10 Q. I see.
- 11 A. Thank you. Go ahead.
- 12 Q. Okay. Is that one example of the marketing
- 13 materials that you're discussing in your testimony?
- 14 A. Yes, it is.
- 15 Q. Okay. And does that particular marketing
- 16 piece mention the Commission, the Washington State
- 17 Utilities and Transportation Commission anywhere?
- 18 A. Not that one, I believe, no.
- 19 O. Is there a document in the record to which
- 20 you were referring when you gave that testimony?
- 21 A. I believe there is. It's SAM-T3. Let me
- 22 look. It was an exhibit of Mr. McIntyre's.
- JUDGE MACE: It's now marked 23, I believe.
- 24 It looks like this; is that correct?
- THE WITNESS: Yes. Thank you very much.

- 1 Q. So is that the document to which you were
- 2 referring?
- 3 A. Yes.
- Q. Is it -- are you, in your testimony,
- 5 suggesting that this statement with regard to what
- 6 the Commission has ordered is inaccurate in any way?
- 7 A. No.
- 8 Q. Let's continue talking about the 144
- 9 customers, and you do that again on Exhibit 2, page
- 10 seven. And Mr. Kopta has marked as an exhibit for
- 11 cross-examination of Mr. McIntyre a document that I
- 12 would like to discuss with you, as well, and it's
- 13 Exhibit Number 32. It's part of Qwest's response to
- 14 an AT&T Broadband data request response. Do you have
- 15 that, 01-005?
- 16 A. Yes, I do.
- Q. Now, in discussions with Mr. Kopta, he and
- 18 I agreed to present the exhibit in this manner,
- 19 without the Attachments B and C, but, Mr. Wolf, when
- 20 you received this data request response from Qwest,
- 21 is it correct that it also contained Attachments B
- 22 and C, in addition to the Attachment A that you see?
- 23 A. That's my understanding.
- Q. Did you review the full data request
- 25 response when you received it?

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 MR. KOPTA: Excuse me. Let me clarify the
- 3 record. Our -- the understanding that I had with
- 4 Qwest was that Exhibit B was only to be provided to
- 5 me and not to anyone else at AT&T. Therefore, I
- 6 complied with that request and have not shared that
- 7 with any personnel at AT&T Broadband.
- 8 MS. ANDERL: I'm not sure I remember that,
- 9 but I think we did have concerns about making sure
- 10 that anybody who reviewed it had signed the
- 11 protective order and --
- MR. KOPTA: Well, I can provide you with
- 13 the cover letter that reflected --
- MS. ANDERL: I was going to say, that may
- 15 have been. Okay. That's fine.
- 16 THE WITNESS: So I don't recall.
- MS. ANDERL: It was not a trick or a trap.
- 18 It was just --
- 19 MR. KOPTA: And I'm merely, again, being
- 20 sensitive about confidential information. And when I
- 21 represent that I will do something, that I, in fact,
- 22 do that.
- MS. ANDERL: No, that's fine. And it was
- 24 more foundational than necessary for the further
- 25 questions.

- 1 Q. Mr. Wolf, did you prepare the original list
- 2 of customers and telephone numbers that was sent to
- 3 Owest?
- 4 A. It was prepared under my direction.
- Q. Was that by Mr. Watkins?
- 6 A. Yes, it was. Watkis, with an S.
- 7 Q. Watkis, no N?
- 8 A. No N.
- 9 Q. And prior to taking the stand today, have
- 10 you reviewed this confidential Attachment A?
- 11 A. This one, yes.
- 12 Q. Yes. And to the best of your understanding
- 13 after that review, do the names and telephone numbers
- 14 that Qwest has provided in this response match the
- 15 144 customers that you originally sent to Qwest for
- 16 review?
- 17 A. To the best of my knowledge.
- 18 Q. Are any of the customers who are listed
- 19 here AT&T Broadband employees?
- 20 A. Not to my knowledge.
- 21 Q. Can you identify here today any of those
- 22 customers on this Attachment A who claimed to AT&T
- 23 that they had never requested or authorized a local
- 24 service freeze?
- 25 A. Well, my understanding is all of them

- 1 claimed not to have authorized a local service
- 2 freeze.
- 3 Q. And you obtained that understanding by
- 4 talking to Mr. Watkis?
- 5 A. I obtained that understanding from talking
- 6 to Mr. Watkis, his staff, and directly to the
- 7 customers.
- 8 Q. Which customers did you speak with?
- 9 A. I don't recall from this list.
- 10 Q. Mr. Wolf, in your testimony, you discuss
- 11 the Washington Commission Rule 480-120-139 that
- 12 requires carriers to offer local and long distance
- 13 freezes. Do you recall discussing that rule in your
- 14 testimony?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. Okay. And are you familiar with that rule?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. I do have just a couple of questions for
- 19 you on it, and I do not want to go into any extensive
- 20 questions about what the rule means or doesn't mean,
- 21 because certainly Mr. Kopta and I can discuss that on
- 22 brief, but there are a few things that I'd like to
- 23 clarify with you, and so I'm going to give you a copy
- of the rule.
- MS. ANDERL: Your Honor, may I approach?

- JUDGE MACE: Yes, you may.
- THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- MS. ANDERL: Do you want a copy?
- 4 MR. KOPTA: Sure.
- 5 Q. Are you -- how familiar with this rule are
- 6 you?
- 7 A. Familiar enough.
- 8 O. Okay. Now, with regard to the retention of
- 9 records after a customer authorizes a local service
- 10 freeze, is it your testimony that this rule requires
- 11 that a third party verification for a local service
- 12 freeze be retained for any particular period of time?
- 13 A. My understanding is that -- yes.
- Q. Where is that? Or, well, first, let me ask
- 15 you, did you gain that understanding from reading the
- 16 rule and interpreting it yourself or from discussions
- 17 with others?
- 18 A. No, I believe my interpretation.
- 19 Q. Okay. Then could you tell me on what you
- 20 base that interpretation?
- 21 A. At 5-C, no local exchange carrier may
- 22 implement a preferred carrier freeze unless a
- 23 customer requests to impose a freeze.
- JUDGE MACE: You need to remember that the
- 25 reporter is taking down what you say --

- 1 THE WITNESS: Most apologies.
- JUDGE MACE: -- and when you read quickly,
- 3 it's hard for her to do that.
- 4 THE WITNESS: 5-C refers, at the end of the
- 5 paragraph, to -- or relies on Sections 1 and 2.
- 6 Q. And does Section 1 contain a requirement
- 7 for retention of the documentation anywhere in it?
- 8 A. No, I don't believe it does.
- 9 Q. What about Section 2?
- 10 A. It does not appear to, either.
- 11 Q. Okay. The requirement for retention of
- 12 documentation regarding a customer's authorization
- 13 for preferred carrier change is contained in
- 14 Subsection Three; isn't that right?
- 15 A. I agree.
- 16 Q. I didn't number my pages. Mr. Wolf, in
- 17 your testimony, and I'm still going to refer to the
- 18 rule, but in your testimony at page ten, you raised
- 19 issues about Qwest making available Saturday hours or
- 20 extended business hours before 5:00 a.m. or after
- 21 7:00 p.m. for removal of local service freezes. Do
- 22 you recall that testimony?
- 23 A. Yes, I do.
- Q. Is it your testimony that the rule --
- 25 Washington Commission rule establishes any

- 1 requirements for Saturday hours?
- 2 A. No, it does not.
- Q. Is it your testimony that the rule requires
- 4 Qwest to have hours that start before 5:00 a.m.?
- 5 A. No.
- 6 Q. Or extend past 7:00 p.m.?
- 7 A. No.
- 8 Q. Just back to page nine on that rebuttal
- 9 testimony, Exhibit 2, lines 14 and 15. You talk
- 10 about the amount of time that customers had to stay
- 11 on the line to remove a freeze for a customer during
- 12 the month of April. Do you know how many customers
- 13 AT&T was on the line with for that purpose during the
- 14 month of April?
- 15 A. A hundred or so.
- Q. Were you on the line with any of them?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. And was that with another one of your
- 19 employees or with you as the actual order processor?
- 20 A. I've done it both ways.
- 21 Q. And when you answer a hundred for the month
- 22 of April, we're limiting this to the state of
- 23 Washington?
- 24 A. That's correct.
- Q. Okay, okay. Back to page ten, you discuss

- 1 the change management process, or CMP process. You
- 2 state that Qwest had not adequately resolved AT&T
- 3 Broadband's concerns through the CMP process, and
- 4 that's why AT&T Broadband filed the complaint; is
- 5 that correct?
- 6 A. That's correct.
- 7 Q. How familiar are you with the time lines
- 8 established by Qwest and the industry for the CMP
- 9 process?
- 10 A. I don't recall the time lines.
- 11 Q. Is it your testimony that Qwest failed to
- 12 meet any of the CMP time lines for processing the
- 13 change request at issue with regard to local service
- 14 freezes?
- 15 A. Not specifically the time line, no.
- 16 Q. Is it your understanding that the CMP
- 17 process is a consensus process in general?
- 18 A. That is my understanding, yes.
- 19 Q. And is it also your understanding that the
- 20 process changes that go through CMP affect all CLECs?
- 21 A. I concur.
- Q. Are you aware that there was a meeting, a
- 23 CMP meeting on Wednesday, June 19th?
- A. No, I was not.
- Q. Would you -- are you aware of what the

- 1 current status of the change request that is Exhibit
- 2 3 is?
- 3 A. I believe so.
- 4 Q. What is that?
- 5 A. The status is closed.
- 6 Q. And is that closed because AT&T asked that
- 7 it be closed?
- 8 A. I believe there was concurrence within the
- 9 process that all of the outstanding issues are
- 10 closed, and therefore the change request in total is
- 11 closed.
- 12 Q. Okay.
- 13 A. Save two. There are open issues, I
- 14 believe, but the request is closed.
- 15 Q. But the change request is closed?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. Has AT&T submitted additional customer
- 18 names and telephone numbers to Qwest after April
- 19 10th, 2002, claiming that those particular customers
- 20 had a local service freeze and that those customers
- 21 claimed not to have authorized such a freeze?
- 22 A. I believe we have.
- Q. Okay. And are those anywhere in the
- 24 record?
- 25 A. No, they're not.

- 1 Q. Can you identify any customer names or
- 2 telephone numbers for me here today that you
- 3 submitted to Qwest?
- A. No, not that we've submitted to Qwest.
- 5 Q. And if any such requests or problems were
- 6 identified to Qwest, how would they have been
- 7 communicated to Qwest and by whom and to whom?
- 8 A. They were communicated to Qwest through
- 9 Terry Bahner, our vendor manager.
- 10 Q. And do you know to whom at Qwest?
- 11 A. No, no, I don't.
- 12 Q. Do you know how many?
- 13 A. No, I don't.
- Q. Now, a little bit of a different question.
- 15 That question addressed whether, since April 10th,
- 16 AT&T had identified any customers who had a local
- 17 service freeze where the customer claimed not to have
- 18 authorized such a freeze.
- 19 This next question is, since April 10th,
- 20 have you identified any customers who have a local
- 21 service freeze that was imposed after April 10th,
- 22 where that customer claims not to have authorized the
- 23 freeze?
- A. Not to my knowledge.
- MS. ANDERL: That's all I have right now,

- 1 Your Honor, save the issue that we're going to work
- 2 out in terms of how we identify the number of
- 3 customers or order of magnitude that AT&T has
- 4 processed in terms of order processing during the ten
- 5 weeks between February 18th and April 25th.
- JUDGE MACE: Ms. Smith.
- 7 MS. SMITH: We have nothing. Thank you.
- 8 JUDGE MACE: We haven't dealt with these
- 9 specifically on the record, I don't believe. Did you
- 10 want to do that now?
- 11 MS. SMITH: Yes, Your Honor. It was my
- 12 understanding that since those were stipulated to by
- 13 the parties, that they have been marked and admitted
- 14 onto the record. If that isn't correct, then I would
- 15 offer Exhibits 40 and 41.
- 16 JUDGE MACE: Could you just describe them
- 17 for the record? I'm not sure that that's on the
- 18 record.
- 19 MS. SMITH: Yes, Your Honor. Exhibit 40
- 20 are the data request responses of Qwest to the data
- 21 requests of the Commission Staff, and Exhibit 41 are
- 22 AT&T Broadband Phone of Washington's responses to
- 23 Commission Staff's data requests.
- JUDGE MACE: Thank you. Based on the
- 25 representation that Staff Counsel has made, I'll

- 1 admit those into the record at this time.
- MS. SMITH: Thank you, Your Honor.
- JUDGE MACE: I have some questions that I'd
- 4 like to ask --
- 5 THE WITNESS: Yes, Your Honor.
- JUDGE MACE: -- before we turn to Mr.
- 7 Kopta.

- 9 EXAMINATION
- 10 BY JUDGE MACE:
- 11 Q. I'll ask the questions and then we'll take
- 12 a break and see if you can address this situation. I
- 13 think that would be the better way to do that.
- On page seven of your Exhibit 1, your
- 15 direct testimony, at line 14, you mention that it
- 16 takes three to five days to update CSRs once a freeze
- 17 is removed. Is this interval still correct?
- 18 A. I believe, based on business to business
- 19 rule changes, that interval has been shortened.
- 20 Q. To what?
- 21 A. One to two business days.
- Q. And what impact does that have on AT&T? I
- 23 presume that's beneficial, but --
- 24 A. It is, but unfortunately our biggest
- 25 difficulty is the need to recontact the customer once

- 1 an account is frozen, and it's actually the process
- 2 of contacting the customer that now remains our
- 3 largest dilemma, customer education and the time it
- 4 takes to then work with the local exchange company,
- 5 Qwest, to then have it removed. So there are process
- 6 improvements, but the front end piece still remains,
- 7 from a customer service perspective, a problem for
- 8 us.
- 9 Q. Page nine, line 12, indicates that you have
- 10 experienced hold times of up to 30 minutes to reach a
- 11 representative. Is that interval still occurring?
- 12 A. Again, the process has improved. On
- 13 average, we've been running between four and 15
- 14 minutes of hold time. I personally experienced two
- 15 calls at about five minutes apiece within the last
- 16 ten days.
- Q. And what is the impact of even this wait on
- 18 AT&T?
- 19 A. There is primarily just a high level of
- 20 customer frustration with the need to be on the phone
- 21 with our representatives for that period of time,
- 22 plus the time it takes to answer the question and
- 23 confirm the freeze would be lifted.
- Q. Now, apparently, in your reply testimony,
- 25 you talk about a 15-minute hold time. Does that

- 1 reflect the improvement in the hold times that you
- 2 just spoke of?
- 3 A. Yes, yes.
- 4 Q. Is it possible for a CLEC to engage in
- 5 local service provider slamming?
- 6 A. For a facilities-based provider, such as
- 7 AT&T Broadband, I would say the answer is no.
- 8 Q. What do you base that on?
- 9 A. My experience as manager of the
- 10 provisioning group. In order to provide the customer
- 11 service through AT&T's Broadband facilities, we
- 12 actually must dispatch a technician on every single
- 13 customer service order, and it takes between an hour
- 14 and a half to two hours to install a customer's
- 15 service. And at the point -- and they must be home.
- 16 The person must be authorized to sign for the
- 17 service. And when the service is completed and
- 18 tested, the customer must sign that the delivery was
- 19 as they requested, both the local service line and
- 20 its features. So I don't happen to see any way that
- 21 it would be possible.
- Q. Okay. I'm going to ask you some questions,
- 23 and they may actually reflect what you just told me,
- 24 but I just want to go through them.
- 25 For AT&T Broadband, if there is no freeze

- 1 in place, would AT&T Broadband first disconnect the
- 2 customer's local loop at the network interface device
- 3 at the customer's premises?
- A. Would you repeat the question, please?
- 5 Q. If there is no freeze in place, would AT&T
- 6 Broadband first disconnect the customer's local loop
- 7 at the network interface device at the customer's
- 8 premises?
- 9 A. That's actually the last part of the
- 10 service delivery process for the technician in the
- 11 field. We would do all of the network work first,
- 12 we would do the customer premise work second, we
- 13 would then effectuate the crossover between networks
- 14 as the last step.
- Q. And who's responsible for requesting LNP to
- 16 the AT&T switch?
- 17 A. The local number portability process is a
- 18 multi-step process which occurs first in terms of the
- 19 setup during the provisioning process, so as one of
- 20 the steps between sale and implementation, we issue a
- 21 request to port. The port activation takes place
- 22 when the technician then calls back in to our
- 23 dispatch group and says, You have facilities hooked
- 24 up, please activate the line. At the point the
- 25 switch is activated, we also trigger the local number

- 1 portability so that the customer then gets service --
- 2 basically gets local dial tone, plus number
- 3 portability concurrently.
- 4 Q. Okay. And who is responsible for
- 5 requesting disconnection of the customer from the
- 6 Qwest switch?
- 7 A. It would be the provisioning team under my
- 8 direction.
- 9 Q. How would your answers to these questions
- 10 be different for a CLEC that orders UNE loops from
- 11 Qwest?
- 12 A. You know, I don't have operational
- 13 experience. I can't answer the question.
- 14 Q. Okay. Has the Commission received any
- 15 complaints from customers of Qwest that found they
- 16 had unauthorized local service provider freezes?
- 17 A. I do not know.
- 18 JUDGE MACE: Okay. I'd like to take our
- 19 recess now. I may come back with further questions
- 20 afterwards, but in the meantime, perhaps you can
- 21 address the problem that you alluded to earlier on
- 22 the record. We'll recess for 15 minutes.
- 23 (Recess taken.)
- JUDGE MACE: Let's be back on the record.
- 25 Mr. Kopta.

- 1 MR. KOPTA: Thank you, Your Honor. During
- 2 the break, Ms. Anderl and I discussed the best way to
- 3 provide the information that she requested of Mr.
- 4 Wolf in her cross-examination, specifically the
- 5 approximate number of customers that signed up for
- 6 AT&T Broadband local service during the period
- 7 February 18th, 2002 through April 25th, 2002. And
- 8 what we had determined was that Mr. Wolf would
- 9 provide a figure that he believes the approximate
- 10 number to Qwest today, that we will provide that as a
- 11 late-filed confidential exhibit so that it can be
- 12 made part of the record in this case, and that Mr.
- 13 Wolf would also verify that the number that he's
- 14 providing today is plus or minus ten percent of the
- 15 actual number, based on his ability to check with the
- 16 records of personnel at AT&T Broadband when he gets
- 17 back to his office.
- 18 JUDGE MACE: We'll make that Exhibit Number
- 19 6, then.
- MR. KOPTA: Thank you.
- MS. ANDERL: And actually, I guess Mr. Wolf
- 22 and Mr. Kopta have already provided me with a number.
- 23 Since there's going to be verification prior to
- 24 submission of the exhibit, I don't think there's any
- 25 need to go into it any further. I mean, I understand

- 1 what they think the number is today, but I also
- 2 understand that the response will be the actual
- 3 written response that we get subsequent to this that
- 4 will be Exhibit 6-C or -- 6-C.
- 5 JUDGE MACE: Six or 6-C or both. Well,
- 6 both, I guess, because you'll provide -- well, I
- 7 guess it will just be 6-C.
- 8 MR. KOPTA: It will just be 6-C.
- 9 JUDGE MACE: Before we continue, I want to
- 10 find out from Ms. Smith whether or not -- well, I
- 11 would like to make a bench request to obtain the
- 12 number of complaints or whether there are complaints
- 13 from customers regarding unauthorized freezes made by
- 14 either Qwest or AT&T, and that will be Bench Request
- 15 Number 1.
- MS. SMITH: Your Honor, if I may clarify,
- 17 are those complaints to the Commission?
- JUDGE MACE: To the Commission.
- 19 MS. SMITH: Thank you. And again, number
- 20 of complaints for unauthorized --
- JUDGE MACE: Local service freezes.
- 22 MS. SMITH: -- local service freezes. And
- 23 that would be from Qwest and AT&T Broadband both?
- JUDGE MACE: Right.
- MS. SMITH: Thank you.

- 1 MS. ANDERL: But, Your Honor, it's your
- 2 expectation that Staff will be the respondent on
- 3 this?
- 4 JUDGE MACE: Correct.
- 5 MS. ANDERL: Okay.
- 6 JUDGE MACE: Because it's complaints to the
- 7 Commission.
- 8 MS. ANDERL: Right. And if a complaint
- 9 were made to the Commission, the Commission would
- 10 contact us, and so at some level we probably have
- 11 that information, as well. I'm just not volunteering
- 12 to answer, but I'm just confirming whether you were
- 13 expecting us to look into that, as well.
- 14 MS. SMITH: Your Honor, I would think that
- 15 if the bench request response provided by Staff were
- 16 somehow different than the information that Qwest
- 17 would have, Qwest could ask to supplement that bench
- 18 request response.
- 19 JUDGE MACE: That would be good. That
- would be good.
- MS. ANDERL: Thank you. That sounds fine.
- JUDGE MACE: And presumably the same for
- 23 AT&T. So Mr. Kopta, redirect.
- MR. KOPTA: Yes, thank you.

- 1 REDIRECT EXAMINATION
- 2 BY MR. KOPTA:
- 3 Q. Mr. Wolf, Ms. Anderl asked you some
- 4 questions, and one of them was whether there was
- 5 anything in your prefiled testimony that addressed
- 6 the number of customers that AT&T Broadband has lost
- 7 because of local freeze problems. Do you recall that
- 8 question?
- 9 A. I do recall the question.
- 10 Q. Would you look on Exhibit 1, which is your
- 11 direct testimony, page 11, beginning with the
- 12 sentence that starts on line ten?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. Is that information responsive to that
- 15 question that Ms. Anderl asked you?
- 16 A. Yes, it is.
- 17 Q. Ms. Anderl also asked you some questions
- 18 about the change management process, or CMP, and your
- 19 general understanding. I wanted to follow up on a
- 20 couple of the questions that she asked you. What's
- 21 your general understanding of the geographic scope of
- 22 change requests through the CMP?
- 23 A. My understanding is that all change
- 24 requests apply to Qwest's 14-state region.
- Q. And was that true of the change request

- 1 that AT&T or AT&T Broadband initiated with respect to
- 2 local service freezes?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. And Ms. Anderl also asked you about the
- 5 status of that particular change request, that it was
- 6 closed. Is it your testimony that that resolves the
- 7 issues related to local service freezes that AT&T
- 8 Broadband has raised in this complaint?
- 9 A. No, it really doesn't. As I indicated,
- 10 there are some open issues. Clearly, as negotiated
- 11 business to business processes, we talked about where
- 12 there are multiple CLECs who participate. It is a
- 13 negotiated process and, while we concurred with the
- 14 closure, it certainly left open issues for us to
- 15 ponder for either future resolution or, as the case
- 16 may be, to litigate here in this proceeding, not the
- 17 least of which is our concern that 95 percent of all
- 18 of the customers whose accounts are labeled as frozen
- 19 claim they were never authorized to be frozen, and it
- 20 does create for us a substantial economic burden to
- 21 have to assist the customer in unfreezing those
- 22 accounts.
- Q. And Ms. Anderl also asked you whether you
- 24 had communicated some additional names and numbers of
- 25 customers that made those complaints to you to Qwest.

- 1 Do you recall that question?
- 2 A. Yes, I do recall the question.
- 3 Q. And do you know what Qwest's response was
- 4 to the communications to Qwest with respect to those
- 5 additional customer complaints?
- 6 MS. ANDERL: I object, Your Honor. I don't
- 7 think there's any foundation for that. Mr. Wolf
- 8 testified that he did not know to whom the complaints
- 9 were directed at Qwest and did not personally make
- 10 those complaints.
- 11 MR. KOPTA: I believe she asked who it was
- 12 within AT&T Broadband that provided that information,
- 13 so obviously Mr. Wolf is in contact with that person.
- 14 If he knows from his contact with Terry Bahner at
- 15 AT&T Broadband, I believe he can testify as to that.
- JUDGE MACE: I'll allow the answer.
- 17 THE WITNESS: The response Ms. Bahner has
- 18 given back to me from Qwest was that those customers
- 19 who we provided names for were -- we were not going
- 20 to get a response, because those issues were subject
- 21 to discovery in this proceeding.
- Q. And finally, Ms. Anderl asked you whether
- 23 you were aware of any customers who had freezes put
- 24 on their accounts after April 10th, having complaints
- 25 with respect to unauthorized local freezes. Do you

- 1 recall that question?
- 2 A. Yes, I do.
- 3 Q. Do you know whether any of the customers
- 4 that have complaints had freezes that were
- 5 implemented after April 10th, 2002?
- 6 A. No, I don't have access to the data, nor do
- 7 I believe that my team would have access to the data
- 8 about when the freeze was actually put in place.
- 9 MR. KOPTA: Thank you. Those are all my
- 10 questions.

- 12 RECROSS-EXAMINATION
- 13 BY MS. ANDERL:
- 14 Q. Mr. Wolf, the question that I had asked you
- 15 specifically that Mr. Kopta just followed up on was
- 16 whether, after April 10th of 2002, AT&T had submitted
- 17 additional customer names to Qwest claiming that
- 18 those customers did not authorize a local service
- 19 freeze. My recollection is that you indicated, in
- 20 response to that question to me, that you had not
- 21 submitted any after April 10th, 2002 to Qwest. Can
- 22 you please clarify what your answer to that question
- 23 is?
- 24 A. Your rereading of the question is different
- 25 than I remember, so can you reread the question one

- 1 more time?
- Q. Sure. After April 10th of 2002, has AT&T
- 3 Broadband submitted additional customer names to
- 4 Qwest claiming that those customers did not authorize
- 5 a local service freeze?
- 6 A. I believe we have, yes.
- 7 Q. Okay. And can you identify where in the
- 8 record those customer names are, if they are here in
- 9 your testimony or in any of your exhibits?
- 10 A. No, they would not be on the record.
- 11 Q. And do you know how many of them there
- 12 were?
- 13 A. I don't recall.
- 14 Q. And do you know when they were submitted to
- 15 Qwest?
- 16 A. I believe they were submitted to Qwest
- 17 every Friday from the period April 10th through the
- 18 closure of the CR for each -- not only for my
- 19 jurisdiction, but for each jurisdiction.
- Q. Okay. Now, you don't know how many there
- 21 were?
- 22 A. No, I don't.
- Q. And you don't know who there were, you
- 24 don't know the names of the customers?
- 25 A. I know they are not on the record. I do

- 1 have access to those names.
- Q. Okay. Here today?
- 3 A. No.
- Q. Okay. And how do you know that those names
- 5 and/or telephone numbers of customers were
- 6 communicated to Qwest?
- 7 A. I simply trust that Terry Bahner does as
- 8 she's supposed to when we provide information and she
- 9 sends it on to Qwest.
- 10 Q. And is it your testimony that those are
- 11 customers different from or in addition to the 234
- 12 that you originally identified?
- 13 A. Yes, they would be, in addition to the 234
- 14 originally identified.
- 15 Q. Okay. And why did you not provide that
- 16 information in your responsive testimony that was
- 17 filed in May -- or rather in June of this year?
- 18 Well, actually, let me strike that question and go
- 19 back.
- 20 Is it your testimony that for each customer
- 21 name that you claimed Ms. Bahner submitted to Qwest,
- 22 Qwest refused to respond?
- 23 A. That's correct.
- Q. Okay. And is there a reason, then, why you
- 25 did not bring those issues up in your responsive

- 1 testimony?
- 2 A. I think mostly it's an issue of timing.
- Q. If, in fact, Qwest's response to AT&T was
- 4 that the matter was in litigation and information
- 5 would be provided through the discovery process, why
- 6 did AT&T not ask Qwest for information on those
- 7 customers through the discovery process?
- 8 A. I can't speak to that.
- 9 MS. ANDERL: Okay. Nothing further, Your
- 10 Honor. Thank you.
- JUDGE MACE: Thank you.
- 12 MR. KOPTA: One additional follow up, if I
- 13 might.
- JUDGE MACE: All right.
- MR. KOPTA: Thank you, Your Honor.
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- 17 REDIRECT EXAMINATION
- 18 BY MR. KOPTA:
- 19 Q. Mr. Wolf, do you have a copy of Exhibit 32,
- 20 which is Qwest's response to AT&T Broadband Data
- 21 Request Number 01-005?
- 22 A. Yes.
- Q. And is it your understanding that this data
- 24 request was directed to Qwest to provide verification
- of local freezes on specific customer accounts?

- 1 A. That's my understanding.
- Q. Did you have any reason to believe that
- 3 Qwest's response to this question or to any other
- 4 names and numbers that AT&T Broadband provided would
- 5 be any different than Qwest's response to this data
- 6 request?
- 7 A. No, I did not.
- 8 MR. KOPTA: Thank you. That's all I have.
- 9 JUDGE MACE: All right. Thank you. I
- 10 believe there's nothing further of this witness.
- 11 You're excused.
- 12 THE WITNESS: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 13 JUDGE MACE: Thank you. Go ahead.
- 14 MS. ANDERL: Thank you, Your Honor. Qwest
- 15 calls Scott McIntyre.
- 16 Whereupon,
- 17 SCOTT A. McINTYRE,
- 18 having been first duly sworn, was called as a witness
- 19 herein and was examined and testified as follows.
- JUDGE MACE: All right. Thank you.
- 21
- 22 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 23 BY MS. ANDERL:
- Q. Good morning, Mr. McIntyre.
- 25 A. Good morning.

- 1 Q. Could you please state your name and your
- 2 business address for the record?
- 3 A. My name is Scott A. McIntyre,
- 4 M-c-I-n-t-y-r-e. My business address is 1600 7th
- 5 Avenue, Seattle, Washington, 98191.
- 6 Q. Mr. McIntyre, do you have before you the
- 7 testimony and exhibits that were originally marked as
- 8 SAM-T1 through 10, and that are now marked for the
- 9 record as Exhibits 21 through 30?
- 10 A. Actually, I'm missing the last exhibit, but
- 11 the others I have.
- 12 Q. All right. If you're called upon to answer
- 13 questions about that, we can provide that to you.
- 14 Let me give it to you now, so that we do this
- 15 properly.
- MS. ANDERL: Your Honor, may I?
- JUDGE MACE: Yes.
- Q. Do you now have them all?
- 19 A. Yes.
- Q. Mr. McIntyre, did you prepare that
- 21 testimony or was it prepared under your direction?
- 22 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. And is it true and correct, to the
- 24 best of your knowledge?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. Do you have any changes or corrections to
- 2 make to it at this time?
- 3 A. No.
- 4 MS. ANDERL: Your Honor, we would offer
- 5 Exhibit 21-T and 22 through 30.
- 6 MR. KOPTA: No objection.
- JUDGE MACE: I'll admit those exhibits.
- 8 MS. ANDERL: And the witness is available
- 9 for cross.
- JUDGE MACE: Mr. Kopta.
- MR. KOPTA: Thank you, Your Honor.

- CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 14 BY MR. KOPTA:
- Q. Good morning, Mr. McIntyre.
- 16 A. Good morning.
- 17 Q. I wanted to ask you first a few questions
- 18 about your background. Have you ever worked in a
- 19 Qwest customer service center?
- 20 A. Yes, a long time ago, and the service
- 21 center was quite different at that point in time.
- Q. Okay. What about in a telemarketing firm?
- 23 Have you ever worked for a telemarketing firm?
- 24 A. No, no.
- Q. How about a vendor that provides

- 1 verification for freezes, whether they're local
- 2 freezes or PIC freezes?
- 3 A. No, my whole career has been with Qwest.
- Q. Okay. So your testimony, then, is based on
- 5 conversations that you've had with subject matter
- 6 experts within Qwest and documents that Qwest has
- 7 filed?
- 8 A. Meetings that I've had going through the
- 9 process and information provided to me by the people
- 10 that are working on the process, yes.
- 11 Q. But you don't have any personal experience
- 12 with dealing with customers in terms of local
- 13 freezes?
- 14 A. Specifically local freezes, no.
- 15 Q. Would you turn in your Exhibit 21-T, your
- 16 direct testimony, to page eight.
- 17 A. Yes, I have that.
- 18 Q. Okay. And beginning on this page, you are
- 19 discussing the Commission's rule, WAC 480-120-139,
- 20 and specifically beginning at the bottom of the page
- 21 and carrying over, you discuss the requirements for
- 22 confirming that a customer has authorized a freeze on
- 23 his or her account; is that correct?
- A. That's correct.
- Q. Do you have before you what's been marked

- 1 for identification as Exhibit 32, which is Owest's
- 2 response to AT&T Broadband's Request Number 01-005?
- 3 A. Yes, I have that.
- 4 Q. And perhaps we ought to say it's Exhibit
- 5 32/32-C, since it does have a confidential attachment
- 6 to it. I don't see your name listed on here. Were
- 7 you involved in the compilation of this exhibit?
- 8 A. Not specifically. I was in contact with
- 9 the people who were putting together the list.
- 10 Q. So to the best of your knowledge, this
- 11 exhibit, the information in this exhibit is accurate?
- 12 A. I believe so, yes.
- Q. Okay. And do you have what's been marked
- 14 for identification as Exhibit 34, which is Qwest's
- 15 response to AT&T Broadband Phone's Data Request
- 16 01-012?
- 17 A. Yes, I have that.
- 18 Q. And again, are you familiar enough with
- 19 this exhibit that you can indicate that this -- the
- 20 information contained in this exhibit is accurate?
- 21 A. I believe so, yes.
- Q. Now, I wanted to focus in a portion of the
- 23 response, and actually, it's in both, but let's look
- 24 at Exhibit 32. And it's the first paragraph of the
- 25 response in Exhibit 32. And the question that I have

- 1 -- if you would take a moment to read it?
- 2 A. The first paragraph in the response?
- 3 Q. Yes, the first paragraph in the response.
- 4 A. Is the objection?
- 5 Q. Yes.
- 6 A. Okay. Yes, I've read it.
- 7 Q. Is it Qwest's position that the processes
- 8 and the results of the processes prior to April 2nd,
- 9 2002, are not something that should be considered in
- 10 this proceeding?
- 11 A. No, I wouldn't say that.
- 12 Q. Well, I was just trying to get at the basis
- 13 of the objection. Let me ask you this. Do you have
- 14 a copy of Exhibit 40, or no --
- 15 A. I don't recall numbering anything 40, so --
- 16 Q. No, that's actually the wrong one. I was
- 17 referring to Exhibit 31, which is Qwest's response to
- 18 AT&T Broadband Phone's Data Request 01-004.
- 19 A. Yes, I have that.
- Q. And is the information contained in this
- 21 exhibit accurate, to the best of your knowledge?
- 22 A. Yes, I believe so.
- Q. So prior to April 2nd, 2002, there were at
- 24 least 87,607 customers that have -- Qwest customers
- 25 that have local provider freezes on their accounts;

- 1 is that accurate?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. And in response to the request that's in
- 4 Exhibit 32, Qwest was able to provide only 25
- 5 verifications out of the 144 accounts that AT&T
- 6 Broadband Phone provided to Qwest to search and
- 7 verification; is that correct?
- 8 A. No, I wouldn't characterize it that way.
- 9 Q. How would you characterize it?
- 10 A. I would characterize it that we provided
- 11 information that verified that all of these customers
- 12 requested a local service freeze. We could only
- 13 produce taped copies of 25 of the third party
- 14 verifications, because that vendor that we were using
- 15 at the time was improperly recording those
- 16 verifications. As a result, when we examined their
- 17 records, we could only produce 25. They were taping
- 18 over their previous recorded -- previously recorded
- 19 verifications, so some of those previous
- 20 verifications had been taped over.
- 21 So we could only produce 25 of the tapes.
- 22 We also produced notes on the customer service
- 23 records that indicated that the customer had asked
- 24 for a freeze. So that's two different forms of
- 25 verification.

- Q. Well, I -- let's take a look at the rule,
- 2 then. Do you have a copy of the rule?
- 3 A. I don't think so.
- 4 MS. ANDERL: Your Honor, may I?
- 5 THE WITNESS: Yes, I have that.
- 6 Q. Okay. Well, keep a hold of that, and let's
- 7 work off of your testimony, then, back on Exhibit
- 8 21-T, page eight, beginning on line 19. You're
- 9 talking about the specific ways in which a freeze can
- 10 be added to a customer's account. The first one you
- 11 mentioned is written authorization by the customer?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. You didn't provide any of those in Exhibit
- 14 32, did you, you being Qwest?
- 15 A. No, although I believe these are all
- 16 residential accounts, and residences typically don't
- 17 use that form of authorization.
- 18 Q. Okay. What about the second one, which is
- 19 on page nine, beginning on line one, use of an
- 20 automated electronic telephone menu system from the
- 21 telephone number for which the freeze is requested.
- 22 Any documentation of that in Exhibit 32?
- A. No, we don't use that method.
- Q. Okay. And then the third one, beginning on
- line two, is through the use of an independent third

- 1 party verifier?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. And with respect to those, you've produced
- 4 only 25; isn't that accurate?
- 5 A. We have produced 25 taped verifications;
- 6 that's correct.
- 7 Q. Right. And so is it your testimony, then,
- 8 that notes from whomever on customer accounts are
- 9 equivalent to one of these three methods?
- 10 A. No, my testimony is that we have a third
- 11 party verifier that does third party verifications
- 12 when we put freezes on, and we follow the rule on
- 13 that. Unfortunately, because the vendor we were
- 14 using was not living up to our expectations, they --
- 15 when we went to provide third party verified tapes of
- 16 all 144, they could not produce them. That doesn't
- 17 mean they didn't happen; it just means they couldn't
- 18 produce them.
- 19 Subsequently, we fired that vendor and
- 20 hired a new vendor, and we're quite confident that
- 21 the new vendor can provide them. In fact, you can do
- 22 it automated. We could do it from this office and
- 23 check on the freeze verification for any of the
- 24 customers that sign up for a freeze.
- JUDGE MACE: Now, Mr. McIntyre, the thing

- 1 I'm concerned about with your answer is that I'm not
- 2 sure you answered Counsel's question. And I'd like
- 3 to have you, if you would, Mr. Kopta, repeat the
- 4 question, and I'd like you to focus on answering the
- 5 question that he has asked.
- 6 MR. KOPTA: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 7 Q. Qwest has produced documentation of only 25
- 8 accounts that were frozen in response to the request
- 9 to verify 144 accounts that AT&T Broadband submitted
- 10 to Qwest; isn't that correct?
- 11 A. I don't think so. We've produced 25 taped
- 12 verifications. The other verifications are not oral
- on tape; they are notes on customer records.
- 14 JUDGE MACE: Okay. Do they -- do those
- 15 verifications consist of either a written
- 16 authorization from the customer, an automated
- 17 electronic telephone menu system from the telephone
- 18 number for which the freeze is requested, or the use
- 19 of an independent third party verifier that's beyond
- 20 the 25?
- THE WITNESS: Oh, no.
- JUDGE MACE: Thank you.
- Q. Now, was the same vendor the vendor that
- 24 supposedly verified the freezes for the number of
- 25 customers in Exhibit 31, the 800 -- I mean the 87,607

- 1 accounts?
- 2 A. They were the vendor that was doing third
- 3 party freezes up until April 2nd, when we switched
- 4 vendors.
- 5 Q. Okay. So then, the answer to my question
- 6 would be yes, since all of these numbers predate
- 7 April 2nd, 2002?
- 8 A. That would be the case, yes.
- 9 Q. So do you have any reason to believe that
- 10 the same -- that there would be a significant number
- 11 of customers for which you do not have documentation
- 12 in the form of a tape of the conversation for these
- 13 accounts?
- 14 A. That is likely, yes.
- Q. Do you have a copy of Qwest's answer to the
- 16 complaint?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Would you turn, please, to page seven,
- 19 specifically paragraph 17. It ends on line --
- 20 A. Excuse me, I've got to -- I'm sorry, I said
- 21 that, but I -- wait a minute.
- Q. That's all right. I can provide you with a
- 23 copy.
- A. Ah, wait. Oh, I'm sorry.
- 25 MR. KOPTA: That's all right. If I might

- 1 approach?
- THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- 3 Q. And to restate the reference, it's on page
- 4 seven, specifically paragraph 17, and the sentence
- 5 that begins on line eight, Qwest admits that the
- 6 vendor who was performing the required TPVs did not
- 7 always retain a recording of the customer
- 8 authorization, but does not believe that that
- 9 constitutes a violation of the rule. Did I read that
- 10 accurately?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. Is it your understanding of the rule that
- 13 local exchange providers are not required to retain
- 14 any of their records of authorization for local
- 15 service freezes?
- 16 A. I don't recall there being a retention time
- 17 specified.
- 18 Q. So in the event that a customer should
- 19 approach Qwest or any other local exchange carrier
- 20 with the knowledge that there's a freeze on their
- 21 account and dispute that they authorized the account,
- 22 what is Qwest's position in terms of how that dispute
- 23 would be handled?
- A. Well, I don't know exactly how the dispute
- 25 would be handled. It would be -- I mean, it's good

- 1 business practice to retain the records, and we do
- 2 now retain the records for three years, so we can
- 3 access tape verification on third party or on --
- 4 yeah, on third party verifications for three years.
- 5 When we found out the previous vendor was
- 6 not retaining the records, we fired them and we hired
- 7 a new vendor that would. I don't believe the rule
- 8 states that we have to retain those records. It is
- 9 certainly good business practice to retain those
- 10 records, and that's why we made the change. I can't
- 11 argue the legal aspects of it. I can only tell you,
- 12 from a business perspective, it makes common sense to
- 13 be able to dispute those and verify that customers
- 14 asked for what they got.
- Q. Well, let me put it in a business sense,
- 16 then. If a customer called Qwest saying, I
- 17 understand that I have a local freeze on my account
- 18 and I never authorized that, and Qwest checked its
- 19 records and said, Well, gee, it's here in the
- 20 records, what would be the appropriate business
- 21 response of that customer's concern?
- 22 A. Well, I guess I don't know. It depends on
- 23 the circumstances. If the customer was merely upset,
- 24 we would try to explain to them that our records
- 25 showed that they had authorized a freeze, and if they

- 1 maintained that they didn't, we would probably
- 2 apologize. And if there was some ramification to
- 3 that, to their service or some complaint about their
- 4 service, we'd attempt to deal with that.
- 5 Q. So you wouldn't remove the freeze, though?
- 6 A. Oh, sure. If that was the crux of what
- 7 they wanted, was removal of the freeze, certainly, we
- 8 would.
- 9 Q. And would they need to go through the
- 10 process of -- the same process that someone who did
- 11 authorize the freeze needs to go through to remove a
- 12 freeze from their account?
- 13 A. All that's required to remove the freeze is
- 14 for the customer to tell us to remove the freeze and
- 15 we remove it. There's no process. We issue a
- 16 service order to take it off their account, but
- 17 that's all that's necessary.
- 18 Q. Well, I thought that you -- well, never
- 19 mind. I'll take that back. Back to your direct
- 20 testimony, which is Exhibit 21-T, specifically the
- 21 testimony that begins on page 14, where you are at
- 22 that point discussing the notification that Qwest
- 23 provides to customers of the availability of a local
- 24 service freeze.
- JUDGE MACE: Where are you, Counsel, on

- 1 that page?
- 2 MR. KOPTA: Beginning on line 11, the
- 3 answer.
- 4 Q. Is that an accurate characterization of
- 5 your testimony at this point, that you're reciting or
- 6 explaining the notifications that Qwest has provided
- 7 to customers?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Do the exhibits to your testimony include
- 10 all of the notifications that Qwest has provided to
- 11 customers?
- 12 A. I don't know that for sure.
- 13 Q. Okay. So do you know the number of
- 14 customer mailings that have been sent by Qwest since
- 15 March of 2001, when Qwest says that it has
- 16 implemented the local service freeze option?
- 17 A. That was the question I asked. This is the
- 18 response I got. I can't guarantee that there were
- 19 not some in addition. That's what I expected to have
- 20 here was all, but I'm not -- I can't be sure that
- 21 that's correct. There may be some that I didn't
- 22 provide here.
- Q. And in fact, Exhibit 3 to Mr. Wolf's
- 24 testimony includes a mailing that was not included in
- 25 the ones that you --

- 1 A. That's possible.
- Q. And I understand, from a response to a
- 3 Staff data request, that Qwest also uses
- 4 telemarketers to inform customers about the local
- 5 service freeze option; is that correct?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. So is it my -- is my understanding correct
- 8 that these telemarketers do nothing other than
- 9 contact customers and say, Hey, there's this option
- 10 for a freeze, are you interested?
- 11 A. I don't recall that being their specific
- 12 function. We have telemarketers that offer services
- 13 to customers, and in the process of doing that, they
- 14 offer long distance freezes, local long distance
- 15 freezes and local service freezes, as well. I don't
- 16 believe -- I'm not aware of any telemarketers
- 17 specifically addressing freezes of any kind.
- 18 Q. So you don't know at this point that there
- 19 are any telemarketers that are doing nothing but
- 20 offering a freeze option?
- 21 A. I don't believe so.
- Q. When they are marketing services, the
- 23 telemarketers, when the telemarketers are marketing a
- 24 service in which a local service freeze is an option,
- 25 what is the process that that telemarketer goes

- 1 through if the customer says, Yeah, gee, I'm
- 2 interested in this service and I'd also like a local
- 3 service freeze?
- 4 A. You would get a third party verification
- 5 that that customer is requesting the local service
- 6 freeze or a long distance freeze, and submit -- and
- 7 the service order would be submitted -- actually, at
- 8 the current process, the service order is submitted
- 9 by the third party verifying company.
- 10 Q. But does that happen on the call with the
- 11 telemarketer?
- 12 A. Not -- the telemarketer transfers the call
- 13 to the third party verifier. The third party
- 14 verifier handles that information with the customer.
- 15 Q. So that happens as part of the process of
- 16 the telemarketing call?
- 17 A. Well, it's adjunct to the process of the
- 18 telemarketing call.
- 19 Q. Well, that's a fair characterization. And
- 20 are there limitations on the hours that telemarketers
- 21 can provide or can contact potential customers to
- 22 offer these types of services, other than those that
- 23 are the general guidelines that apply to all
- 24 telemarketing calls?
- A. Not that I'm aware of.

- 1 Q. Okay. And are those telemarketers
- 2 restricted to the business hours that Qwest has
- 3 identified here of 5:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Monday
- 4 through Friday?
- 5 A. I don't know that.
- 6 Q. Okay. So if a telemarketer were to call on
- 7 a Saturday, assuming that there are no restrictions
- 8 that Qwest has put on above and beyond those that are
- 9 mandated by federal or state law and offered a
- 10 service that had a local service freeze, and the
- 11 customer said, Gee, I'm interested in a local service
- 12 freeze, would that customer then need to be prevented
- 13 from implementing that request for a local service
- 14 freeze at that time until the Qwest service center
- 15 was open?
- 16 A. I don't know specifically. Obviously, the
- 17 third party verifier is not open 24 hours a day,
- 18 seven days a week, so the customer would likely be
- 19 instructed to call the business office and ask for
- 20 that.
- 21 Q. So if -- are you aware of the general
- 22 restrictions on when telemarketers can contact
- 23 people?
- 24 A. No, I'm not.
- 25 Q. Okay. So you don't know whether they could

- 1 contact someone at 8:00 at night?
- 2 A. Well, they contact me at 8:00 at night. It
- 3 doesn't seem unreasonable.
- 4 Q. Okay. So is it your testimony that if a
- 5 telemarketer contacts a customer at 8:00 at night
- 6 offering a service along with a local service freeze
- 7 and the customer says, Yeah, I'd like that service
- 8 and the local service freeze, that the customer --
- 9 that telemarketer would say, Well, I'm sorry, I can't
- 10 give you the local freeze right now because the
- 11 business hours aren't open; you'll have to call back
- 12 at another time?
- 13 A. To be honest, I don't know. I've not been
- 14 asked that question before. I don't know exactly
- 15 what the process would be in that. I'm assuming that
- 16 the customer would have to contact our business
- 17 office, but I don't know.
- 18 Q. On page 17 of your direct testimony,
- 19 Exhibit 21-T, beginning on line 15, you're discussing
- 20 the process that Qwest has for removing local service
- 21 freezes; is that accurate?
- 22 A. Yes.
- Q. Do you have before you what's been marked
- 24 for identification as Exhibit 33, which is Qwest's
- 25 response to AT&T Broadband's request, Data Request

- 1 01-011?
- 2 A. Yes, I have that.
- Q. Okay. And again, is the information
- 4 contained in this exhibit accurate, to the best of
- 5 your knowledge?
- 6 A. Yes, I believe so.
- 7 Q. So am I correct that, at least with respect
- 8 to the measures that AT&T Broadband requested, that
- 9 the only service quality measure that Qwest has data
- 10 on is average speed of answer or hold time, that
- 11 Qwest doesn't track the number of freezes -- I mean,
- 12 doesn't track the number of times the customer or
- 13 their representatives escalate issues, et cetera?
- A. We have more detailed information than this
- 15 now. In fact, I just received yesterday an update to
- 16 that, which included average talk time and time
- 17 customers were on hold as access time. It doesn't
- 18 have number of escalations. It does have number of
- 19 calls that were dropped for one reason or another.
- JUDGE MACE: Do you have that with you in
- 21 the hearing room?
- THE WITNESS: Yes.
- JUDGE MACE: I think we should have a copy
- 24 of that for the record. Ms. Anderl, you'll make sure
- 25 that that's provided? Let's make it Bench Request

- 1 Number 2.
- 2 MS. ANDERL: Okay. And so Bench Request
- 3 Number 2 will be a supplemental response to Exhibit
- 4 Number 33, with more recent and more detailed
- 5 information.
- JUDGE MACE: Thank you.
- 7 Q. Now, does that data include, on a
- 8 customer-specific basis, the number of times any
- 9 particular customer contacts Qwest to, or the vendor,
- 10 for that matter, to remove the local service freeze?
- 11 A. No. This has general data that is -- that
- 12 addresses the call answering times and the time it
- 13 takes to conduct the lifting of freezes.
- Q. So this would be all the TPV
- 15 vendor-specific performance?
- 16 A. Not TPV specifically. This is for lifting
- 17 of freezes. It is a third party, but it's not a
- 18 third party verifier. We have an independent third
- 19 party that handles the lifting of freezes
- 20 specifically.
- 21 Q. Okay.
- 22 A. And that's their performance.
- Q. Fair enough, but it's not Qwest's
- 24 performance?
- 25 A. That's correct.

- 1 Q. Okay. So you don't have any measures or
- 2 data on Qwest's performance when it has to do what it
- 3 needs to do to remove the local freeze?
- A. Well, yes and no. We do have business
- 5 office standard performance in terms of call answer
- 6 times, for example, and if a customer calls the
- 7 business office, they -- to request the lifting of a
- 8 freeze, all the service representative does is
- 9 transfer the call to our third party vendor that
- 10 actually lifts the freeze.
- 11 So the call response times to the business
- 12 office in general would represent how long it takes
- 13 for a customer to access and get talking to a service
- 14 representative. Then the service representative
- 15 transfers that call to the third party vendor, and
- 16 this represents that -- that response time. So I
- 17 guess our general business office performance would
- 18 address the first part of that, and this would
- 19 address the second part of that.
- Q. But once the third party vendor does what
- 21 it needs to do, it goes back to Qwest to actually
- 22 implement the removal of a freeze, doesn't it?
- 23 A. No, the third party vendor submits the
- 24 service order that lifts the freeze.
- 25 Q. Okay.

- 1 A. It doesn't go back to Qwest.
- Q. Well, somebody processes the service order
- 3 at Qwest, do they not?
- 4 A. The third party vendor submits the order
- 5 into the system and it's processed that night,
- 6 effectively.
- 7 Q. So it's an automated process? There are no
- 8 personnel at Qwest that review the order and input it
- 9 or anything like that?
- 10 A. No, the third party vendor inputs it into
- 11 the system.
- 12 Q. Okay. But you don't have any measures of
- 13 how long it takes from that input until it's -- until
- 14 it is completed?
- 15 A. It's processed that night. The order is
- 16 due today, which means it will be processed in that
- 17 night's batch processing, and it is effective the
- 18 following day.
- 19 Q. I understand that's the process, but
- 20 there's no performance measure that ensures that
- 21 that, in fact, is happening or the average amount of
- 22 time that it takes from the order entry until it has
- 23 been fully processed?
- A. Well, there probably is. I don't know what
- 25 it is. We have measurements on all of our processes,

- 1 typically, but I don't know that there is one
- 2 specifically, no.
- 3 Q. Okay. Are you aware that one of the
- 4 measures that Qwest has represented to the Commission
- 5 that it would implement after getting Section 271
- 6 authority is the time frame for preferred
- 7 interexchange carrier, or PIC changes?
- 8 A. No, I'm not familiar with that.
- 9 Q. So you don't know whether that same kind of
- 10 information would be available for changes in local
- 11 providers in terms of removal of the freeze?
- 12 A. I'm not sure what the question is, I'm
- 13 sorry. I'm not familiar with measurements associated
- 14 with OSS measurements, for example. I don't know
- 15 what they are and I don't know how they're
- 16 calculated.
- 17 Q. Okay. Well, I'm -- if you would look at
- 18 your direct testimony, page two, beginning on line
- 19 two, you state, and I quote, I also represent Qwest
- 20 on issues concerning competition and performance
- 21 measures. So --
- 22 A. That's correct, but not all performance
- 23 measures.
- Q. So not the performance measures that have
- 25 to do with how well Qwest does when it's responsible

- for the portion of removing a local service freeze?
- 2 A. Well, part of it. I mean, in terms of the
- 3 business office access information and the
- 4 information of our vendor. I can't speak to the
- 5 systems that are associated with measurements that
- 6 are involved in OSS testing and -- you started this
- 7 question off with 271, and I don't get into 271
- 8 issues generally.
- 9 Q. No, and I was merely trying to find another
- 10 measure that might be comparable to the type of
- 11 measure that I'm asking you about and asking you if
- 12 you know about that. And obviously you responded
- 13 that you --
- 14 A. I don't know of a specific measure or how
- 15 to find it.
- 16 MR. KOPTA: Okay. Thanks. That's all I
- 17 have.
- 18 JUDGE MACE: I have a few questions.
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- 20 EXAMINATION
- 21 BY JUDGE MACE:
- Q. Mr. McIntyre, on page eight of your
- 23 testimony, beginning at line 19 --
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. -- and you may have already answered this

- 1 question, actually. It refers to the WAC provision,
- 2 which gives a means for confirming a request for a
- 3 local service provider freeze. How does Qwest
- 4 maintain records of these requests so that customers
- 5 can verify who made the requests and when? I think
- 6 we've already been over that ground. Could you just
- 7 briefly discuss that?
- 8 A. Well, now we have a taped third party
- 9 verifier conversation with the customer when they
- 10 place a freeze, and we can access those customers and
- 11 find that record, which is -- the problem is not only
- 12 did it happen, but being able to find it. We can now
- 13 access it very readily and verify the fact, with the
- 14 taped conversation with the customer, that they did
- 15 in fact authorize the local service freeze. We can
- 16 access those records over the phone for a specific
- 17 telephone number for a year, and then we retain -- or
- 18 the vendor retains for two more years -- the record
- 19 is not as easily accessible as it is for the first
- 20 year.
- 21 Prior to April 2nd, when we changed
- 22 vendors, we believe we also had third party
- 23 verifications on tape, but it turned out the vendor
- 24 was recording over their old verifications, so that's
- 25 why we -- one of the reasons we changed vendors.

- 1 They were not living up to our expectation on
- 2 retaining those records.
- 3 Q. Thank you. On page 16.
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Beginning at line 14, you talk about a
- 6 backlog of orders. If orders were backlogged, why
- 7 would requests for local number portability be
- 8 rejected? If the orders were not in the system yet,
- 9 how could the customer accounts be frozen?
- 10 A. Mostly, the answer is I don't know. AT&T
- 11 claimed that they experienced a sudden surge of
- 12 problems in that time frame. We discovered that the
- 13 vendor did have a backlog. They were taking orders
- 14 and not processing them. Then, as they got
- 15 processed, as we did feed them into the system, it
- 16 would have been -- would have meant a larger number
- 17 than normal of freezes being processed during that
- 18 time frame. That could have caused AT&T to suddenly
- 19 notice that they were experiencing more freezes than
- 20 they might otherwise have. That's the only
- 21 explanation we can come up with as to why they
- 22 experienced what they said they experienced in that
- 23 time frame.
- 24 So it would have been freezes being
- 25 processed in a short period of time, you know, two or

- 1 three or ten times as many as might normally be
- 2 processed in a normal week.
- 3 Q. Turning to page 17, line seven, you
- 4 mentioned that Qwest has been offering local service
- 5 provider freezes in Washington for some time. When
- 6 did Qwest first notify customers that they could use
- 7 a local service provider freeze? I don't know if
- 8 you've answered that question already, but if you
- 9 would please make --
- 10 A. Well, we implemented in March of 2001. To
- 11 be honest, I'm not sure what the first customer
- 12 notification would have been. It should have been --
- 13 I don't remember if the exhibits I put in here had a
- 14 date on them or not. Our service representatives in
- 15 the business office certainly would have begun
- 16 notifying customers right away, so I don't know the
- 17 first bill insert. I'm assuming we would have
- 18 started notifying customers right away. We
- 19 implemented and started offering in March of 2001.
- Q. On page 22, lines five and six, you talk
- 21 about this \$5 charge, or the customer who was told
- 22 that there was a \$5 charge. Is there a charge for
- 23 adding or removing a local service freeze?
- 24 A. No.
- Q. At the top of page 23, you refer to, on

- 1 line one, a communicator dated May 3rd, 2002, which
- 2 indicates that the retail service representatives
- 3 will no longer be involved in the lifting of a
- 4 freeze. Do you -- have you provided a copy of that
- 5 communicator on the -- in any of the exhibits that
- 6 you've provided in this proceeding so far?
- 7 A. Yes, the Exhibits 8 and 9 are -- Exhibit 8
- 8 is multi-channel communicators.
- 9 JUDGE MACE: Well, let's go off the record
- 10 for a moment.
- 11 (Discussion off the record.)
- 12 JUDGE MACE: Back on the record.
- Q. Now, Mr. McIntyre, you were referring to a
- 14 page from what exhibit?
- 15 A. C-8.
- 16 Q. C-8?
- 17 A. That's a multi-channel communicator that we
- 18 send to our service representatives.
- 19 Q. And that's the document you're referring to
- 20 in your testimony at page 23, line one?
- 21 A. Yes, it's actually page five of six of C-8.
- 22 Q. Now --
- 23 A. The exhibit has several communications.
- 24 Q. I see.
- 25 A. The one I'm specifically referencing, and

- 1 I'm sorry I didn't footnote it, is page five.
- Q. And that shows an issue date of May 3rd, is
- 3 that --
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Okay. Thank you. On page 25, line three,
- 6 it says, In April, 92 percent of the calls directed
- 7 to this number were answered in 20 seconds or less.
- 8 Was that answered by a live person, a recording, who
- 9 was it answered by?
- 10 A. That's answered by a person.
- 11 Q. By a person. And who is that person?
- 12 A. That's a third party vendor that we have
- 13 hired specifically to lift freezes.
- Q. Page 26, line 17, freeze removals take
- 15 place Monday through Friday, from 5:00 a.m. to 7:00
- 16 p.m. What are the hours that personnel are available
- 17 to receive new requests to initiate freezes?
- 18 A. Essentially the same hours. Those are our
- 19 business office hours.
- Q. Are you aware of what the penalties are for
- 21 local service provider slamming in Washington?
- 22 A. No.
- 23 Q. Okay.
- 24 A. I don't recall.
- Q. I asked Mr. Wolf this question. I'm going

- 1 to ask you, as well. Do you think it's possible for
- 2 a CLEC to conduct local service provider slamming?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. And how would that take place,
- 5 specifically?
- 6 A. It would depend on the type of provider.
- 7 For example, a reseller of service or a provider that
- 8 uses UNE loops, the facilities out to the customer's
- 9 location are the same facilities that we use, so it's
- 10 merely a record change. If a CLEC that were offering
- 11 either UNE or resold lines submitted an order to
- 12 Qwest to port that number to them, because ostensibly
- 13 they had gotten permission from the customer to
- 14 switch providers, Qwest would process that number
- 15 portability request and the number would be
- 16 transferred to the CLEC without the customer ever
- 17 knowing until they got a bill. And then, when the
- 18 billing started from the new provider and it would
- 19 stop from Qwest, because they processed the service
- 20 order, then the customer might be aware of that, or
- 21 probably would be aware that their local service
- 22 provider had changed. On the --
- Q. Go ahead.
- A. On the facility base, for example, a cable
- 25 TV provider, who was also providing telephone service

- 1 over cable TV, a technician in the field at the
- 2 customer's prem could switch the customer's line over
- 3 to their cable provisioning and then submit an order
- 4 to port the number to Qwest, and we would process
- 5 that number and port the number to them and
- 6 disconnect the line to that customer.
- 7 Again, the customer would begin -- get
- 8 billing over their cable TV and would stop getting
- 9 billed from Qwest. I suppose a facility-based
- 10 provider that also had their own copper loops in the
- 11 field is certainly less common, because that's
- 12 redundant network out there and there aren't too
- 13 many, I don't believe, that would build their copper
- 14 loops to the customer's house without previous
- 15 authorization, for example. So it could happen that
- 16 way, too, but that's far less likely.
- 17 JUDGE MACE: Okay. I'd like to take a
- 18 recess of a few minutes before we go to redirect.
- MR. KOPTA: Before we do --
- JUDGE MACE: Yes, go ahead.
- 21 MR. KOPTA: I neglected to move for the
- 22 admission of Exhibits 31, 32 and 32-C, 33 and 33-C
- 23 and 34.
- MS. ANDERL: No objection.
- JUDGE MACE: I'll admit those exhibits.

- 1 MR. KOPTA: Thank you.
- 2 (Recess taken.)
- JUDGE MACE: Let's be back on the record.
- 4 And go ahead Ms. Anderl. Redirect.
- 5 MS. ANDERL: Oh, thank you, Your Honor. On
- 6 reflection, I don't have any redirect questions.
- JUDGE MACE: You don't have any, okay.
- 8 Well, that's pretty easy, then.
- 9 MR. KOPTA: Might I ask a couple of
- 10 questions to follow up on your questions?
- JUDGE MACE: Okay, sure.

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- CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 14 BY MR. KOPTA:
- 15 Q. You had a discussion with the Judge about
- 16 whether local service slamming is possible for a
- 17 variety of circumstances, and I want to focus on a
- 18 facilities-based provider that is just obtaining an
- 19 unbundled loop from Qwest. Do you know the charge
- 20 that Qwest imposes for obtaining an unbundled loop?
- 21 A. I don't remember it specifically in
- 22 Washington, no.
- Q. Okay. So you aren't aware of the
- 24 nonrecurring charges that apply to an unbundled loop
- 25 if a facilities-based carrier provides it?

- 1 A. No, I don't recall.
- Q. Would you accept, subject to check, that it
- 3 is in the neighborhood of a hundred dollars?
- 4 A. It sounds --
- 5 Q. Depending on what kind of -- in fact, it
- 6 ranges -- well, perhaps it's not the best way to make
- 7 it on the record.
- 8 MS. ANDERL: Your Honor, I think I have
- 9 some questions about relevance here. We would,
- 10 however, be willing to stipulate that I think the low
- 11 end of the installation nonrecurring charge for the
- 12 loop is in the \$35, \$45 range. I would need to
- 13 check, as well. I guess I can't really stipulate,
- 14 since Mr. Kopta's eyebrows are going around and I may
- 15 be remembering wrong.
- 16 JUDGE MACE: Well, you concede the basis
- 17 that there's a charge for it.
- 18 Q. Well, I guess what I'm getting at is
- 19 relative economic incentive. Your response to the
- 20 ALJ, the Administrative Law Judge's question referred
- 21 to possibility, but it didn't factor in the costs
- 22 that the CLEC would have, both in terms of paying
- 23 Qwest for the facilities, as well as whatever
- 24 penalties might be assessed by the Commission for
- 25 slamming in part of -- in your response, did you?

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- 1 A. I didn't comment on that aspect of it, no.
- 2 MR. KOPTA: Okay. Thanks. That's all I
- 3 have.
- 4 MS. ANDERL: Still nothing.
- 5 JUDGE MACE: Thank you. Thank you, Mr.
- 6 McIntyre. You're excused.
- 7 MS. ANDERL: Your Honor.
- JUDGE MACE: Let's be off the record.
- 9 (Discussion off the record.)
- 10 JUDGE MACE: Let me indicate that the bench
- 11 requests have been assigned exhibit numbers. Bench
- 12 Request 1 is Exhibit 50, Bench Request 2 is Exhibit
- 13 51. We've also talked about the scheduling for the
- 14 filing of briefs, and briefs -- simultaneous briefs
- 15 will be due July 26th. And I thank you all for a
- 16 very smooth, streamlined hearing. Appreciate it.
- MR. KOPTA: Thank you.
- MS. ANDERL: Thanks.
- 19 JUDGE MACE: You have no idea.
- 20 (Proceedings adjourned at 11:52 a.m.)

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