BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Petition of

QWEST CORPORATION

for an Alternative Form of Regulation Pursuant to RCW 80.36.135.

DOCKET NO. UT-061625

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE SUPPLEMENTAL TESTIMONY OF WILFORD SAUNDERS ADOPTING THE PREVIOUSLY FILED TESTIMONY OF KRISTEN M. RUSSELL IN THIS PROCEEDING

By this motion, Commission Staff requests leave to file the attached Supplemental Testimony of Wilford Saunders in this proceeding. Staff has just learned that, for medical reasons, witness Kristen M. Russell will not be available for cross-examination or for questions from the commissioners and the bench at the hearings scheduled this week. Mr. Saunders' proposed Supplemental Testimony will adopt the previously filed testimony of Ms. Russell in this proceeding, and Mr. Saunders will also be available for cross-examination and for questions from the commissioners and the bench. Staff's counsel has notified both Qwest and Public Counsel of this proposal. Staff respectfully requests that this motion be granted.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 12th day of March, 2007.

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