

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of

QWEST CORPORATION

Petition for Commission Approval of
2007 Additions to Non-Impaired Wire
Center List

DOCKET NO. UT-073033

PETITION TO INTERVENE OF
ESCHELON TELECOM OF
WASHINGTON, INC.

Eschelon Telecom of Washington, Inc. (Eschelon) submits this Petition to Intervene in the above-captioned proceeding.


1. Eschelon files this Petition to Intervene in accordance with WAC 480-07-355, Rules of the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission).
2. Eschelon has an interest in the subject matter of this proceeding. Eschelon is a Competitive Local Exchange Carrier (CLEC), certified to provide local exchange service in the State of Washington. Eschelon offers intrastate telecommunications services within Washington, including local exchange service and intrastate long distance service. Eschelon purchases unbundled network elements (UNEs) from Qwest Corporation (Qwest), pursuant to the parties' interconnection agreement, in order to provide those services.
3. Qwest has filed a petition in this docket requesting that the Commission approve additions to Qwest's non-impaired wire center list. Qwest's petition could impact the rates that Qwest offers its wholesale customers such as Eschelon if wire centers were added to the non-impaired list and certain products and services thus became unavailable to CLECs at UNE rates

in those wire centers. Changes in the rates Eschelon is charged for wholesale services that it purchases from Qwest would impact Eschelon's ability to offer the products and services it offers in Washington. Eschelon therefore submits this Petition to Intervene because it is materially interested in, and will be substantially affected by, any changes to Qwest's wholesale rates. Eschelon expects to participate in the docket to contribute to the investigation its factual history and perspective as a wholesale customer/competitor of Qwest.

4. The undersigned is separately filing a notice of appearance in this proceeding and requests that all pleadings, notices, or other material filed at the Commission or otherwise served upon any party to this docket, such as discovery requests and discovery responses, be sent to the address and e-mail address provided below.

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