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Ms. Carole Washburn, Executive Secretary
Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission
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via web portal and UPS delivery

Re: WUTC Docket No. UT-063055
Request to Withdraw Amendment No. 5
Business Escalation Agreement between Qwest and Verizon Business Network
Services, Inc. (as successor in interest to MCI Metro Access Transmission Services,
LLC)

Dear Ms. Washburn:

On May 29, 2007, pursuant to Section 252 of the Telecommunications Act, Qwest Corporation filed the referenced Business Escalation Agreement (the "Agreement") between Qwest Services Corporation and its Affiliates, including Qwest Corporation ("Qwest") and Verizon Business Network Services, Inc. and its affiliates MCI Communications Services, Inc. and MCI Metro Access Transmission Services LLC ("Verizon") as Amendment No. 5 to the Interconnection Agreement in this docket.

Qwest filed this Agreement on the basis of its understanding that the escalation procedures applied to the services provided under interconnection agreements between the parties. After such filing, it became evident that the intended scope of the Agreement was not to cover interconnection agreement services.

Thus, Qwest and Verizon have entered into an amended Business Escalation Agreement to clearly reflect that the escalation procedures set forth in the agreement do not apply to issues or disputes (i) arising under any interconnection agreements between the parties or (ii) to any services provided by Qwest to MCI pursuant to the requirements of Section 251 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, or any services provided pursuant to an interconnection agreement. The parties specifically acknowledge and agree that the agreement is not intended to amend any of the parties' existing interconnection agreements.

Therefore, Qwest respectfully withdraws the Business Escalation Agreement between Qwest and Verizon.

Sincerely,

Lisa A. Anderl

cc: Verizon Business Network Services, Inc.

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