ISSUED: July 15, 2005

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

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QWEST CORPORATION,	)	
	)	
Complainant,	)	
v.	)	RULING
	)	
CENTRAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.,	)	
	)	
Defendant.	)	

DISPOSITION: SCHEDULE SUSPENDED

On July 12, 2005, a telephone conference was held in Salem, Oregon. Staff appeared in person, and Qwest Corporation (Qwest), Central Electric Cooperative, Inc. (CEC), Oregon Rural Electric Cooperative Association (ORECA), and a representative for Bend Cable Communications, LLC, and Crestview Cable Communications attended by telephone. At the conference, Qwest and CEC reported that they were close to a settlement, but required more time for discussion, and would report by 5:00 p.m. on July 13, 2005. On July 13, 2005, Qwest submitted an electronic mail message stating that the parties had mostly settled their dispute, but wanted to keep the docket open while the final agreement is being signed.

Qwest is directed to report by August 5, 2005, with copies to all parties. By that time, the company may withdraw its complaint, submit a stipulation with accompanying testimony, or submit a report as to the progress of negotiations and further action to be taken.

Dated at Salem, Oregon, this 15th day of July, 2005.

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Christina M. Smith
Administrative Law Judge