

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

**OF OREGON**

**UM 1326**

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In the Matter of	)	
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QWEST CORPORATION	)	PETITION TO INTERVENE
	)	
Petition for Commission Approval of 2007	)	
Additions to Non-Impaired Wire Center List	)	

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**PETITION TO INTERVENE OF ESCHELON TELECOM OF OREGON, INC.**

Eschelon Telecom of Oregon, Inc. (“Eschelon”) respectfully petitions the Commission for leave to intervene in the above-captioned proceeding.

In support of its petition, Eschelon states as follows:

I.

Eschelon’s name and address are:

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II.

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III.

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 Oregon. Eschelon offers intrastate telecommunications services within Oregon, 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.

On June 22, 2007, Qwest 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 Oregon. 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.

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IV.

Eschelon expects to participate in the docket to contribute to the investigation its factual history and perspective as a wholesale customer/competitor of Qwest. Eschelon will address such issues as it deems relevant in this proceeding.

IV.

Eschelon has knowledge and expertise that will assist the Commission and the parties in addressing the issues presented in this proceeding.

V.

Eschelon's appearance and participation will not unreasonably broaden the issues, burden the record, or unreasonably delay this proceeding.

#### CONCLUSION

Eschelon's Petition to Intervene should be granted.

DATED this 12<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2007.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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I hereby certify on this 12<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2007, the Petition to Intervene of Eschelon Telecom of Oregon, Inc., signed by Mark P. Trincherro was sent via UPS overnight mail to the Oregon Public Utility Commission.

A copy of the filing was sent via U.S. Mail to the service list below.

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