

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

**UM 1481
Phase III**

In the Matter of

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF
OREGON

Staff Investigation of the Oregon Universal
Service Fund.

**OCTA'S UNOPPOSED MOTION TO
AMEND THE SCHEDULE AND
REQUEST FOR EXPEDITED
CONSIDERATION**

MOTION TO AMEND THE SCHEDULE

The Oregon Cable Telecommunications Association (“OCTA”) hereby submits this Unopposed Motion to Amend the Schedule and Request for Expedited Consideration in the above-captioned matter. In support of this Motion, OCTA states as follows:

By Ruling issued November 15, 2013 (“11/15/13 Ruling”), Administrative Law Judge Arlow (“the ALJ”) adopted a proposed schedule to address Item 4(b) of the Parties Stipulation in Phase II of this docket, attached to Order No. 13-162 as Appendix A at 2 (hereinafter “Phase III(b) schedule”). The 11/15/13 Ruling made clear that the Phase III(b) schedule would become effective in the event the Commission were to reject the Oregon Telephone Association’s (“OTA”) rulemaking petition in AR 577. The 11/15/13 Ruling also provided for a February 6, 2014, prehearing conference to discuss an alternative schedule in the event the Commission were to adopt the OTA rulemaking petition. By Ruling issued November 25, 2014 (“11/25/13 Ruling”), the ALJ granted a joint request to modify the Phase III(b) schedule.

On January 27, 2014, the Commission denied the OTA rulemaking petition in AR 577. However, the Commission simultaneously directed Commission Staff to continue to investigate

whether a rulemaking may be appropriate and to present its recommendations to the Commission at its March 4, 2014 public meeting. Given this delay in achieving certainty regarding a potential rulemaking proceeding, the Phase III(b) schedule no longer provides adequate time prior to the deadline for filing opening testimony. OCTA has conferred with the other active parties in this phase of docket¹ and no active party objects to the following proposed amendments to the Phase III(b) schedule:

First Date for Discovery	January 31, 2014
Opening Testimony	April 24, 2014
Workshop/Settlement Conference	May 5, 2014
Response Testimony	June 23, 2014
Reply Testimony	July 28 2014
Second Workshop/Settlement Conference	August 11, 2014
Pre-Hearing Briefs	September 22, 2014
Hearings	Week of September 29, 2014
Post-Hearing Briefs	October 27, 2014

In the event the Commission determines at the March 4, 2014 public meeting that a rulemaking should be opened that would impact the issues to be considered in Phase III(b), the parties propose that the ALJ schedule a prehearing conference to address an alternative schedule.

No parties to the proceeding will be prejudiced by the proposed modification to the procedural schedule. OCTA has contacted Commission Staff and all other active parties to the docket. No active parties object to the request to modify the Phase III(b) schedule as set forth above. Because no parties object, OCTA requests expedited consideration of this Motion.

¹ The active parties in Phase III include: Commission Staff, CUB, CenturyLink, Frontier, OTA, OCTA, Verizon, AT&T, Warm Springs Telecom, and tw telecom.

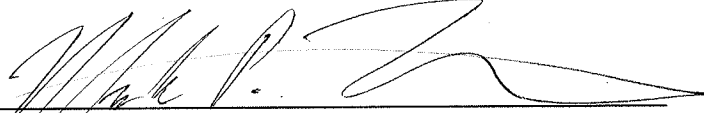
CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, OCTA requests that the procedural schedule be modified as set forth above and further requests expedited consideration of this Unopposed Motion.

DATED this 21st day of February, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,

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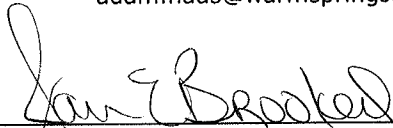
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