

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UM 1354

In the Matter of)	
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QWEST CORPORATION)	RULING
)	
Petition for Approval of Price Plan Pursuant)	
to ORS 759.255.)	

DISPOSITION: PETITION TO INTERVENE GRANTED

On December 28, 2007, McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, Inc. (McLeod), filed a Petition to Intervene (Petition), stating that it provides local telecommunications services in the State of Oregon and that it has an interest in this proceeding because Qwest’s proposals could impact the rates that Qwest offers to its wholesale customers, such as McLeod. McLeod states that it has knowledge and expertise that will assist the Commission and the parties in resolving the issues presented in this proceeding. McLeod asserts that its participation in this proceeding will not unduly broaden the issues or burden the record. No answer to the Petition was timely filed pursuant to OAR 860-013-0050(1)(c).

I find that good cause exists to grant the Petition and that McLeod has a material interest in the subject matter of this proceeding, that it has knowledge and expertise that will assist the Commission in resolving the issues presented in this case and that its participation will not unduly broaden the issues or burden the record.

RULING

The Petition to Intervene of McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, Inc., is GRANTED.

Dated at Salem, Oregon, this 8th day of January, 2008.

Allan J. Arlow
Administrative Law Judge