

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UM 1354

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

**DISPOSITION: PETITIONS TO INTERVENE GRANTED;
SCHEDULE ADOPTED**

On October 26, 2007, Qwest Corporation (Qwest) filed a Petition for Approval of Price Plan Pursuant to ORS 759.255. On November 5, 2007, the Citizens' Utility Board (CUB) filed a Notice of Intervention and Waiver of Paper Service pursuant to ORS 774.180. On December 3, 2007, a Notice was sent to a list of all potentially interested persons that a Prehearing Conference would be held in this docket on December 14, 2007. On December 5, 2007, the Telecommunications Ratepayers Association for Cost-Based and Equitable Rates (TRACER) filed a Petition to Intervene, which it amended on December 10, 2007.

At the December 14, 2007, prehearing conference, appearances were noticed for representatives of Qwest; TRACER; CUB; the Commission staff (Staff); XO Communications Services, Inc. (XO); Time Warner Telecom of Oregon LLC (TWT); Covad Communications Company (Covad); Integra Telecom of Oregon, Inc. (Integra); the Oregon Telecommunications Association (OTA); Verizon Northwest Inc. (Verizon); the League of Oregon Cities (LOC); Embarq Communications Inc. (Embarq); CenturyTel of Oregon, Inc. (CenturyTel) and Beaver Creek Cooperative Telephone Company (BCT).

The TRACER Petition to Intervene was granted without objection. Motions to intervene were also made by the following: XO, TWT, Integra, Covad, OTA and Verizon. Without objection, the motions were granted, and they became parties to the proceeding. CenturyTel, Embarq, LOC and BCT did not seek to intervene but indicated their desire to receive copies of documents as interested parties. Pursuant to a properly filed motion and without objection, counsel for TRACER was admitted to practice in this proceeding *pro hac vice*.

The parties agreed upon the following schedule, which was adopted by the Administrative Law Judge:

Deadline for Petitions to Intervene	December 31, 2007
Deadline for filing Motions to Dismiss	January 10, 2008
Workshop/Settlement Conference	January 11, 2008
Qwest Response to Motions to Dismiss Due	January 24, 2008
Comments of Commission Staff on Motions and Response Due	January 31, 2008
Qwest and Intervenors' Replies to Staff and Qwest submissions Due	February 7, 2008
Qwest Opening Testimony Due—electronic filing by 2:00 p.m.	February 11, 2008
Ruling Anticipated on Motions to Dismiss	February 21, 2008
Second Settlement Conference	February 28, 2008
Intervenor and Staff Testimony—electronic filing by 2:00 p.m.	April 18, 2008
Qwest and Staff Reply Testimony—electronic filing by 2:00 p.m. (Qwest to have ten days in which to respond to data requests)	May 16, 2008
Hearing	June 4-6, 2008
Briefing Schedule	TBD
Final Order Anticipated	August 31, 2008

Dated at Salem, Oregon, this 17th day of December, 2007.

Allan J. Arlow
Administrative Law Judge

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