BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

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In the Matter of)	
THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON))	ORDER
Staff's reallocation of local exchange relecommunications service territory for Qwest Corporation.)))	

DISPOSITION: APPLICATION APPROVED

The 2005 Legislature changed Oregon's territory allocation law for telecommunications utilities and telecommunications cooperatives. The new law allocates local exchange telecommunications service territory as a geographic area within boundaries set forth in exchange maps filed with and approved by the Commission. This replaces the old "metes and bounds" descriptions.

Section 27, chapter 232, Oregon Laws 2005, codified as ORS 759.500(1) subsection (1) directs the Commission to:

Reallocate every allocated local exchange telecommunications service territory to a telecommunications utility, cooperative corporation or municipality to whom the commission had previously allocated local exchange telecommunications service territory. Allocations granted by the commission pursuant to this subsection shall replace all allocations to telecommunications utilities, cooperative corporations or municipalities granted by the commission prior to January 1, 2006.

Staff recommends the reallocation of Qwest Corporation's local exchange telecommunications service territory using the boundaries of exchange maps filed with and approved by the Commission, as set forth in Table 1 of Appendix A, replacing all previous territory allocations for Qwest Corporation.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that the application filed by Qwest Corporation for the reallocation of its local exchange telecommunications service territory is approved. The new allocations are based on exchange maps filed with and approved by the Commission as set forth in Table 1, contained in Appendix A.

A party may request rehearing or reconsideration of this order pursuant to ORS 756.561. A request for rehearing or reconsideration must be filed with the Commission within 60 days of the date of service of this order. The request must comply with the requirements in OAR 860-014-0095. A copy of any such request must also be served on each party to the proceeding as provided by OAR 860-013-0070(2). A party may appeal this order by filing a petition for review with the Court of Appeals in compliance with ORS 183.480-183.484.

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PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON STAFF REPORT PUBLIC MEETING DATE: November 8, 2007

REGULAR	CONSENT X EFFECTIVE DATE	NA
DATE:	October 29, 2007	
то:	Public Utility Commission	
FROM:	Marlene Gorsuch	
THROUGH:	Lee Sparling, Dave Booth and Kay Marinos	KM
SUBJECT:	OREGON PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION	STAFF: Reallocation of Local

Exchange Telecommunications Service Territory for Qwest Corporation.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Reallocate Qwest Corporation's local exchange telecommunications service territory using the boundaries of exchange maps filed with and approved by the Commission as set forth in Table 1. This reallocation replaces all previous territory allocations for Qwest Corporation (Qwest).

DISCUSSION:

The 2005 Legislature changed Oregon's territory allocation law for telecommunications utilities and telecommunications cooperatives. The new law allocates local exchange telecommunications service territory (service territory) as a geographic area within boundaries set forth in exchange maps filed with and approved by the Commission. This replaces the old "metes and bounds" descriptions. See ORS 759.500(1).

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The Commission previously allocated local exchange telecommunications service territory to Qwest in a series of orders. Staff reviewed the Commission's records to identify all Qwest territory allocation orders issued prior to January 1, 2006, and

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currently in effect. Staff then determined which of Qwest's approved local exchange maps are encompassed in whole or in part by the metes and bounds descriptions in these previous territory allocation orders.

Qwest has Commission-approved maps on file for all 64 of the company's local exchanges. Staff concluded that only 50 of Qwest's 64 local exchange maps are wholly or partially within the metes and bounds descriptions in Qwest's previous territory allocation orders. Since the Commission did not previously allocate to Qwest any part of the other 14 exchanges¹, the territory within exchange maps for these exchanges is excluded from the reallocation process. Qwest may separately request territory allocation for the other 14 local exchanges under Section 27, chapter 232, Oregon Laws 2005, subsection (2).

On August 30, 2007, Staff sent Qwest a letter describing staff's findings in detail, and asking Qwest to make corrections, if any, by September 20, 2007. Qwest did not have any corrections.

Table 1 describes reallocations for Qwest in detail. Reallocations are identified by exchange name and the effective date of the corresponding Commission-approved exchange map. Previous allocations are identified by Commission order number.

TABLE 1

Reallocation		Previous Allocation
Exchange Name	Approved Exchange Map	(Commission Order)
	(Effective Date)	
Albany	March 28, 1986	Order No. 97-331
Ashland	July 18, 1986	Order No. 83-625
Astoria	March 28, 1986	Order No. 97-331
Athena-Weston	May 10, 1998	Order No. 97-331
Baker	September 27, 2000	Order No. 00-416
Bend	July 15, 1992	Order No. 97-331
Blue River	March 28, 1986	Order No. 97-331
Camp Sherman	October 1, 1986	Order No. 86-497
Cannon Beach	May 10, 1988	Order No. 97-331
Corvallis	March 17, 1999	Order No. 99-201
Cottage Grove	September 9, 1987	Order No. 97-331
Culver	March 18, 1987	Order No. 86-497
Dallas	May 12, 1993	Order No. 97-331
Eugene/Springfield	October 20, 1999	Order No. 97-331
Falls City	March 28, 1986	Order No. 97-331
Florence	March 28, 1986	Order No. 97-331
Harrisburg	March 28, 1986	Order No. 97-331
Hermiston	March 28, 1986	Order No. 97-331

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Independence/Monmouth	May 12, 1993	Order No. 97-331
Jefferson	May 24, 1995	Order No. 97-331
Junction City	March 28, 1986	Order No. 97-331
LaPine	March 28, 1986	Order No. 97-331
Leaburg	March 28, 1986	Order No. 97-331
Lowell	March 28, 1986	Order No. 97-331
Madras	September 9, 1987	Order No. 97-331
Mapleton	March 28, 1986	Order No. 97-331
Marcola	March 28, 1986	Order No. 97-331
Milton-Freewater	March 28, 1986	Order No. 97-331
Oakland/Sutherlin	March 28, 1986	Order No. 97-331
Oakridge	October 1, 1986	Order No. 86-497
Oregon City	August 21, 2002	Order No. 02-567
Pendleton	March 28, 1986	Order No. 97-331
Portland	March 28, 1986	Order No. 83-639
Prineville	July 6, 1990	Order No. 97-331
Rainier	January 23, 1993	Order No. 83-675
Redmond	October 1, 1986	Order No. 86-497
Roseburg	February 18, 1988	Order No. 97-331
Salem	May 15, 1991	Order No. 97-331
Seaside	March 28, 1986	Order No. 97-331
Siletz	March 28, 1986	Order No. 78-295
Sisters	July 15, 1992	Order No. 86-497
Stanfield	March 28, 1986	Order No. 97-331
Sumpter	August 2, 1999	Order No. 99-463
Toledo	March 28, 1986	Order No. 78-295
Umatilla	March 28, 1986	Order No. 97-331
Veneta	November 7, 1990	Order No. 97-331
Walla Walla	March 28, 1986	Order No. 97-331
Warrenton	March 28, 1986	Order No. 97-331
Westport	March 28, 1986	Order No. 97-331
Woodburn/Hubbard	November 22, 1989	Order No. 99-463

PROPOSED COMMISSION MOTION:

Reallocate Qwest Corporation's local exchange telecommunications service territory using the boundaries of exchange maps filed with and approved by the Commission as set forth in Table 1, replacing all previous territory allocations for Qwest Corporation.

Reallocation of Service Territory Qwest

¹ Burlington, Central Point, Gold Hill, Grants Pass, Jacksonville, Klamath Falls, Lake Oswego, Medford, Newport, North Plains, Oak Grove/Milwaukie, Phoenix/Talent, Rogue River & Saint Helens.