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July 18, 2005

Honorable Allan Arlow
Administrative Law Judge
Oregon Public Utility Commission
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Re: ARB 584- Notice of South Dakota Commission arbitration order

Dear Judge Arlow:

This is to advise Your Honor that in the Qwest/Covad arbitration in South Dakota, the South Dakota Commission ruled last week in Qwest's favor on the network unbundling issue (Arbitration Issue No. 2) that is before you in this arbitration. The South Dakota Commission orally ruled that it would adopt Qwest's language for each of the provisions of the interconnection agreement in dispute relating to the network unbundling issue.

We expect the South Dakota Commission to issue a written order soon, and we will provide it to you upon issuance.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to call me at your convenience. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "AM Duarte". The signature is fluid and cursive, written over a white background.

Alex M. Duarte

cc: Service List

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

ARB 584

I hereby certify that on the 18th day of July, 2005, I served the foregoing **QWEST'S LETTER TO THE HONORABLE ALLAN ARLOW** in the above entitled docket on the following persons via U.S. Mail, by mailing a correct copy to them in a sealed envelope, with postage prepaid, addressed to them at their regular office address shown below, and deposited in the U.S. post office at Portland, Oregon.

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