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Honorable Allan Arlow
Administrative Law Judge
Public Utility Commission of Oregon
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Re: UX 29- Request for continuance of February 24, 2005 prehearing conference

Dear Judge Arlow:

As Your Honor knows, on January 20, 2005, you set a prehearing conference for February 24, 2005, based on the parties' agreement at the January 18, 2005 prehearing conference. We had also agreed to have a conference of the parties on February 15, 2005 to review Qwest's responses to Your Honor's bench requests and to discuss the draft CLEC survey, and then to discuss the status of same at the February 24th prehearing conference. The hope was that by then (February 15th) the parties would have had the opportunity to review the FCC's Unbundling Remand Order, and its new unbundling rules (which at the time had not yet been issued, as the parties only had the December 15, 2004 FCC press release), in order to discuss a future procedural schedule at the February 24th conference. As you know, the FCC issued its written order on February 4, 2005.

This morning the parties held the scheduled conference call. The parties have agreed that now that the FCC has issued its written order, Qwest will make further revisions to the most recent draft CLEC survey by this Friday, February 18, 2005, and that Staff and the CLECs will then have until February 28, 2005 to respond to Qwest's revised draft with their comments and/or suggested revisions. Thereafter, the parties would convene a conference call again on March 2, 2005 to discuss the CLEC survey, as well as Qwest's responses to certain Staff data requests, if necessary.

Accordingly, in light of the parties' agreement as reflected above, the parties agreed to ask Your Honor whether you would be willing to continue the presently-scheduled February 24th prehearing conference to a new date some time during the week of March 7, 2005.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions about this request, please feel free to call me at your convenience. I look forward to hearing from you.

Very truly yours,

Alex M. Duarte

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