

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

ARB 671

In the Matter of)	
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QWEST CORPORATION)	MEMORANDUM
)	
Petition for Arbitration of Interconnection)	
Rates, Terms, Conditions and Related)	
Arrangements with UNIVERSAL)	
TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.)	

**DISPOSITION: QWEST TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL
INFORMATION**

On July 14, 2005, Qwest Corporation filed a Petition for Arbitration with Universal Telecommunications, Inc. With the petition, Qwest asked that a protective order be issued. Qwest’s requests states, in its entirety:

Qwest believes that a protective order is appropriate to protect any privileged, confidential and/or trade secret information that may be exchanged. Qwest requests that an appropriate protective order be entered to govern this proceeding.

OAR 860-012-0035(1)(k) authorizes an Administrative Law Judge to issue a protective order to govern the disclosure of confidential information subject to discovery in a proceeding. The rule provides that requests for such orders may be granted upon a showing of good cause.

Qwest’s request here fails to provide sufficient information to support a finding of good cause. Before a protective order may be issued, Qwest must supplement its request by identifying what type of confidential information might be subject to discovery in this proceeding, and explaining how the public release of such information could be harmful to the company or its customers.

Dated at Salem, Oregon, this 18th day of July 2005.

Michael Grant
Chief Administrative Law Judge