

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UM 1265

In the Matter of)	
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AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION OF)	
OREGON,)	
Complainant,)	
)	
v.)	RULING
)	
)	
VERIZON NORTHWEST INC., UNITED)	
TELEPHONE COMPANY OF THE NORTHWEST,)	
dba SPRINT, and QWEST CORPORATION,)	
)	
Defendants.)	

DISPOSITION: MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME GRANTED

By Ruling of July 31, 2006, the American Civil Liberties Union of Oregon (ACLU) was given until August 30, 2006, in which to refile a pleading as enumerated in OAR 860-013-0015 in this matter. On August 18, 2006, ACLU filed a Mostly Unopposed Motion for Extension of Time to Refile a Pleading (Motion), seeking an extension until September 22, 2006.

In its Motion, ACLU notes that its counsel will be unavailable for two weeks and that it also “intends to explore alternatives to formal proceedings before the PUC...” ACLU further notes that defendants Verizon Northwest Inc. and United Telephone Company of the Northwest have indicated that they do not object to the Motion and that ACLU had, at the time the Motion was filed, attempted but been unable to contact counsel for Defendant Qwest Corporation. Qwest subsequently notified the Commission that it had no objection to the Motion.

I find good cause to grant the Motion. I find the Motion reasonable under the circumstances provided by ACLU, and granting an extension of time will neither disadvantage any of the parties nor adversely affect the public interest.

Disposition. The Mostly Unopposed Motion for Extension of Time to Refile a Pleading filed by the American Civil Liberties Union of Oregon is GRANTED. The American Civil Liberties Union of Oregon shall have until September 22, 2006, in which to refile its pleading.

Dated at Salem, Oregon, this 23rd day of August, 2006.

Allan J. Arlow
Administrative Law Judge

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