

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

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In the Matter of)	
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PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF)	RULING
OREGON)	
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Investigation to Determine whether Rural)	
Incumbent Local Exchange Carriers Should)	
Disaggregate Universal Service Support.)	

DISPOSITION: EXPEDITED MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME GRANTED

According to the current schedule, the Commission staff (Staff) was scheduled to distribute its Proposed Disaggregation Plans and Models on January 17, 2007. On that day, counsel for Staff submitted an expedited Motion for Extension of Time (Motion) until January 22, 2007, in which to complete the distribution. Staff contends that despite its best efforts, it has been unable to meet the original schedule and believes that it will be able to make the distribution by January 19, 2007, but wishes to avoid the possibility of making a second request.

Counsel for Embarq and United States Cellular Corporation interpose no objection, but reserve the right to seek an extension of later events on the schedule due to the instant request. Counsel for Oregon Telecommunications Association suggested that counsel for the parties confer on the matter.

I find that Staff’s Motion is reasonable, under the circumstances, and should not impose a significant hardship on the other parties. In the event that further extensions of time are requested due to the delay caused by Staff, I will consider the circumstances of the requests at that time.

RULING

Staff’s Motion for Extension of Time is GRANTED. The distribution of the Disaggregation Plans and Models shall occur no later than January 22, 2007.

Dated at Salem, Oregon, this 18th day of January, 2007

Allan J. Arlow
Administrative Law Judge