BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

UM 1481

In the Matter of

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON,

RULING

Staff Investigation of the Oregon Universal Service Fund.

DISPOSITION: PROCEEDINGS TEMPORARY SUSPENDED

Under the existing schedule, parties were to notify each other of their intention to designate opposing witnesses for cross-examination on February 11, 2013, and on February 15, 2013 for surrebuttal cross-examination, and participate in an evidentiary hearing commencing February 20, 2012.

On February 11, 2013, the Commission Staff filed a motion on behalf of all of the parties seeking to temporarily hold the docket in abeyance. In support of the motion Staff states that the parties have been holding settlement discussions and wish to continue to do so. They commit to file a report with the Commission on the progress of their discussions shortly after a February 20, 2013 meeting.

I approve the parties' request and find that it will not unreasonably delay the proceedings. The parties shall file a status report with the Commission before close of business on February 22, 2013. A notice of cancellation of hearing will follow this ruling.

Dated this 11th day of February, 2013, at Salem, Oregon.

Allan J. Arlow Administrative Law Judge