ISSUED: January 20, 2005

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

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In the Matter of)	
)	PREHEARING CONFERENCE
QWEST CORPORATION)	REPORT
)	
Petition to Exempt from Regulation)	
Qwest's Switched Business Services.)	

DISPOSITION: PETITION TO WITHDRAW GRANTED; PETITION TO INTERVENE GRANTED; RULING MODIFIED; AND SCHEDULE ADOPTED

A prehearing conference was held by telephone in this docket on January 18, 2005. Qwest Corporation (Qwest); Integra Telecom of Oregon, Inc.; the Telecommunications Ratepayers Association for Cost-Based and Equitable Rates; Covad Communications Company; Time-Warner Telecom; Pac-West Telecomm; Rio Communications; XO Communications (XO); Oregon Telecom, Inc., and the Commission staff (Staff) entered appearances in the case.

Counsel for Advanced Telecom Group (ATG) notified the Commission that ATG had merged with Eschelon Telecom of Oregon, Inc. (Eschelon), which is now its successor in interest in this proceeding and moved to permit Eschelon to intervene in the proceeding in its stead, and filed an appearance on its behalf. The motion was granted.

XO, by its counsel, formally moved to withdraw from the proceedings. The motion was granted.

On motion by Qwest and without objection of any party, the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) withdrew the portion of the Discussion section of his October 20, 2004, Ruling captioned "The Legal Environment and the Scope of the Evidence in this Proceeding" set forth on page 5, and Ruling 2 set forth on page 6. Qwest thereupon withdrew its "Motion to Certify a Question to the Commission Regarding the Scope of Discovery, Submission of Testimony and the Weight to be Given to Certain UNEs From the ALJ's October 20, 2004 Ruling" filed October 29, 2004.

The ALJ indicated that a bench request would be issued to Qwest regarding the impact of the new federal rules on its Oregon facilities.

Finally, the parties agreed to the following schedule:

Conference of the parties to review data request and surveys	February 15, 2005
Further telephone prehearing conference	February 24, 2005, 10 a.m.

Dated at Salem, Oregon, this 20th day of January, 2005.

Allan J. Arlow Administrative Law Judge

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