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Re: UM-1168

Dear Ms. Taylor:

Enclosed for filing please find an original and (5) copies of Qwest Corporation's Response Testimony of Donald K. Mason, along with a certificate of service.

If you have any question, please do not hesitate to give me a call.

Sincerely,



Carla M. Butler

CMB:
Enclosure

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

UM 1168

In the Matter of PUBLIC UTILITY
COMMISSION OF OREGON STAFF
Investigation into Qwest Corporation's (and
possibly other parties') failure to file
interconnection agreements for Commission
approval under Section 252(a)(1) of the
Telecommunications Act

RESPONSE TESTIMONY

OF

DONALD K. MASON

FOR

QWEST CORPORATION

EXHIBIT QWEST7

May 13, 2005

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2 **Q. MR. MASON, DID YOU PREVIOUSLY FILE DIRECT TESTIMONY ON**
3 **QWEST'S BEHALF?**

4 A. Yes. I filed direct testimony on April 22, 2005 to provide a brief summary of the
5 background of this matter in Oregon and to recommend that the Commission
6 approve the stipulation between Staff and Qwest and that it close the docket.

7 **Q. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR RESPONSE TESTIMONY?**

8 A. The purpose of my response testimony is to make clear that although both Qwest and
9 Staff recommend that the Commission approve the stipulation and that it close this
10 docket, Qwest does not necessarily agree with all of the characterizations that Staff
11 witness David Booth made in his direct testimony.

12 **Q. IS THERE ANY CHANGE IN YOUR RECOMMENDATION TO THE**
13 **COMMISSION RELATIVE TO THE STIPULATION AND THIS DOCKET?**

14 A. No. As I mentioned in my direct testimony, Qwest recommends that the
15 Commission approve the stipulation in an order, and further, that it close this docket.
16 Moreover, as I mentioned in my direct testimony, Qwest would not appeal any
17 Commission finding which imposes the stipulated fine under ORS 759.990(6)(c).

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19 **Q: DOES THIS CONCLUDE YOUR RESPONSE TESTIMONY?**

20 A: Yes, it does.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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I hereby certify that on the 13th day of May, 2005, I served the foregoing **QWEST CORPORATION'S RESPONSE TESTIMONY OF DONALD K. MASON** in the above entitled docket on the following persons via U.S. Mail, by mailing a correct copy to them in a sealed envelope, with postage prepaid, addressed to them at their regular office address as shown below.

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