

ORDER NO. 02-603

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON

UM 773

In the Matter of U S WEST)
COMMUNICATIONS, INC.'s UM 351) ORDER
Cost Study Summaries.)

DISPOSITION: REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME GRANTED

On May 27, 2002, the Commission issued Order No. 02-355, directing that Verizon Northwest Inc. (Verizon) and Qwest Corporation (Qwest) file statements within 90 days containing changes in rates for various unbundled network elements.

On August 21, 2002, the Commission issued Order No. 02-565, granting Qwest's motion to extend the time for its compliance filing until 60 days after the Commission issues its final decision in docket UT 138.

On August 13, 2002, Verizon filed a request seeking a similar extension of time to make its compliance filing for rates related to Dark Fiber, Network Interface Device (NID), Distribution Frame Terminations, and Intra-Premises Riser Cable. Verizon states that it concurs in the Qwest rates at issue in UM 773, and that it cannot make a compliance filing without reference to Qwest's rates. It maintains that the unbundled elements at issue are also under consideration in docket UT 138/139, Phase III (Phase III), and that the parties are best served by delaying compliance until after the Phase III decision is issued.

On August 22, 2002, Verizon filed a letter stating that none of the active parties object to its request.

COMMISSION DISPOSITION

Verizon seeks the same extension of time granted Qwest in Order No. 02-565. No party has objected. The request should be granted.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that the motion of Verizon Northwest Inc. to extend the deadline for filing a statement of charges for the four elements as set out in this order is granted. Verizon's statement of charges will be due 60 days after the Commission issues a final order in Docket UT 138/139, Phase III.

Made, entered, and effective _____.

Roy Hemmingway
Chairman

Lee Beyer
Commissioner

Joan H. Smith
Commissioner

A party may request rehearing or reconsideration of this order pursuant to ORS 756.561. A request for rehearing or reconsideration must be filed with the Commission within 60 days of the date of service of this order. The request must comply with the requirements in OAR 860-014-0095. A copy of any such request must also be served on each party to the proceeding as provided by OAR 860-013-0070(2). A party may appeal this order to a court pursuant to applicable law.