

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
OF OREGON**

ARB 637(3)

In the Matter of	)	
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VERIZON NORTHWEST, INC. and	)	
QWEST CORPORATION	)	ORDER
	)	
Third Amendment to Interconnection	)	
Agreement, Submitted for Commission	)	
Approval Pursuant to Section 252(e) of the	)	
Telecommunications Act of 1996.	)	

**DISPOSITION: AMENDMENT APPROVED**

On February 14, 2005, Verizon Northwest, Inc., and Qwest Corporation (Qwest) filed a third amendment to the interconnection agreement and subsequent amendment previously approved by the Public Utility Commission of Oregon (Commission) in Order No. 05-038. The parties seek approval of the amendment under Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. The amendment adopts a wholesale collocation promotion offered by Qwest. The Commission provided notice by posting an electronic copy of the agreement and amendment on the World Wide Web, at: <http://www.puc.state.or.us/caragmnt/>.

Qwest previously sought acknowledgement of the wholesale collocation promotion, under OAR 860-016-0021, in docket ARB 641. On November 30, 2004, the Commission acknowledged Qwest's promotion in Order No. 04-696.

When a carrier accepts a promotional offering, the accepting carrier and the offering carrier must file any required amendment to their existing carrier-to-carrier agreement. To qualify for expedited review under OAR 860-016-0021, the amendment must be identical to the promotion previously acknowledged by the Commission.

The Commission has reviewed the amendment under the standards set forth in OAR 860-016-0020 and Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and concludes that it should be approved.

**OPINION**

The Commission adopts Staff's recommendation and concludes that there is no basis under the Act to reject the amendment to the previously acknowledged agreement. No participant in the proceeding has requested that the amendment be rejected or has presented any reason for rejection. Accordingly, the amendment should be approved.

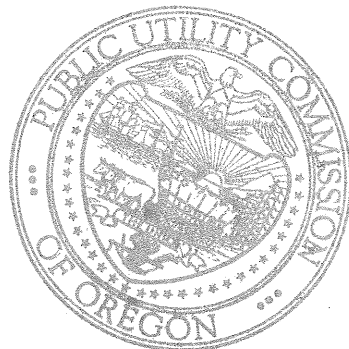
**CONCLUSIONS**

1. There is no basis for finding that the amendment to the previously acknowledged agreement discriminates against any telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement.
2. There is no basis for finding that implementation of the amended agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity.
3. The amendment should be approved.

**ORDER**

IT IS ORDERED that the amendment to the previously acknowledged agreement between Comcast Phone of Oregon LLC, f/k/a AT&T Broadband, and Qwest Corporation is approved.

Made, entered, and effective JAN 24 2005.



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**Michael Grant**  
Chief Administrative Law Judge  
Administrative Hearings Division

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.