BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

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

DISPOSITION: REQUEST GRANTED; TIME TO COMPLY WITH ORDER EXTENDED

On July 12, 2006, the Commission entered Order No. 06-399 granting in part and denying in part the Petition of Qwest Corporation (Qwest) to exempt from regulation Qwest's switched business services.

On July 28, 2006, pursuant to OAR 860-014-0093, Qwest filed a Petition For an Extension of Time to Comply With Order No. 06-399 (Petition for Extension of Time), asking for expedited consideration. Qwest asserts that the Commission should first consider any motion for reconsideration before the company is required to implement the requirements of Order No. 06-399, should those requirements change. Qwest also notes that the implementation of the changes to its billing and other systems will take far longer than the 60-day reconsideration period and that neither the Commission Staff nor any of the competitive local exchange carriers who participated in the proceeding object to the issuance of an extension.¹

Discussion. The ordering clauses of Order No. 06-399 stated, in part:

2. Qwest Corporation shall file such revisions to its tariffs and price lists as shall be necessary to conform with the terms of this Order within 30 days of the date of this Order.

Thus, although the order was essentially permissive in nature, the Commission required Qwest to act promptly upon its intentions to avail itself of the increased pricing flexibility that would arise from the removal of certain regulatory restrictions. However, in the absence of objection by the other parties to this proceeding, the Commission finds good cause to grant Qwest's Petition for Extension of Time.

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¹ Petition, pp. 1-4.

ORDER

- 1. The request is GRANTED.
- 2. The time in which to comply with Order No. 06-399 is EXTENDED until February 28, 2007.

Dated at Salem, Oregon, this 11th day of August, 2006.

Michael Grant

Chief Administrative Law Judge

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