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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON

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In the Matter of the Petition of QWEST)	
CORPORATION (fka U S WEST)	SECOND SUSPENSION
COMMUNICATIONS, INC.) to Exempt)	ORDER
from Regulation FRS, ATM, CRS, and LSS.)	

DISPOSITION: PETITION SUSPENDED

On May 15, 2000, Qwest Corporation (Qwest) filed a petition to exempt from regulation Frame Relay Services (FRS), Asynchronous Transfer Mode (ATM), Call Relay Service (Carriers), and Local Area Network Switching Service (LSS).

Commission Staff reviewed the application and recommended that the Commission suspend and further investigate Qwest's petition. On July 10, 2000, at its Regular Public Meeting, the Commission voted to adopt Staff's recommendation and suspended the petition. The suspension period runs until December 15, 2000.

On November 22, 2000, Qwest filed a letter with the Commission asking that the suspension period be extended for an additional three months, until March 15, 2001. Qwest is in the process of obtaining information that will support its petition. Many of the participants in the docket have agreed to answer the questionnaires propounded by Qwest by December 13, 2000, and Commission Staff has agreed to aggregate that information. Further, the Commission has scheduled a prehearing conference for January 18, 2001. Because the discovery process will not be completed by December 15, Qwest argues that good cause exists for such an extension.

The Commission finds that the investigation into this matter will not be completed at the expiration of the initial suspension. Pursuant to ORS 759.030(7), the Commission orders a further suspension of Qwest's petition to exempt from regulation FRS, ATM, Carriers, and LSS. The tariff is suspended until March 15, 2001.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that the petition by Qwest to exempt from regulation Frame Relay Services, Asynchronous Transfer Mode, Call Relay Service, and Local Area Network Switching Service is suspended until March 15, 2001.

Made, entered, and effective _____.

Ron Eachus
Chairman

Roger Hamilton
Commissioner

Joan H. Smith
Commissioner

A party may request rehearing or reconsideration of this order pursuant to ORS 756.561. The request must be filed with the Commission within 60 days of the date of service of this order and 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.