- BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH -

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the Matter of the Application of Uintah)	
asin Telecommunications Association,)	
c., and UBET Telecom, Inc., for an Order)	DOCKET NO. 04-053-03
the Commission Approving the)	
ombination, Merger and Consolidation of)	SCHEDULING ORDER
BET Telecom, Inc., and Uintah Basin)	
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ISSUED: October 5, 2004

By The Commission:

The Division of Public Utilities ("DPU"), by and through its counsel, Michael L. Ginsberg, Assistant Attorney General, the Committee for Consumer Services (the "Committee"), by and through its counsel, Paul Proctor, Assistant Attorney General, and Uintah Basin Telecommunications Association, Inc. ("UBTA"), and UBET Telecom, Inc. ("UBET"), by and through their counsel Stanley K. Stoll, Blackburn & Stoll, LC, have agreed to the following schedule and procedure in this docket.

After consideration of the foregoing, and being fully advised, the Commission makes the following order regarding schedule and procedure in this docket.

ORDER

NOW, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the following schedule be established in this proceeding unless otherwise ordered:

September 28, 2004 Testimony to be filed by UBTA and UBET.

October 7, 2004 Technical Conference.

October 22, 2004 Last day to file petitions to intervene.

November 4, 2004 Public Hearing at Vernal, Utah.

November 5, 2004 Rebuttal Testimony to be filed by Division of Public Utilities,

Committee of Consumer Services and any intervenors.

November 15, 2004 Sur-rebuttal testimony to be filed by UBTA and UBET.

November 22, 2004 Hearing

The Technical Conference will be held at 10:00 a.m. in Room 427, Fourth Floor, Heber M. Wells Building, 160 East Third South, Salt Lake City, Utah, and shall commence at 10:00 a.m. on the date indicated.

The hearings set forth in the foregoing schedule shall be held in the Commission's Hearing Room 426, Fourth Floor, Heber M. Well Building, 160 East Third South, Salt Lake City, Utah, and shall commence at 9:30 a.m. on the date indicated unless otherwise directed by the Commission.

Individuals wishing to participate by telephone should contact the Commission prior to the hearing or technical conference to make arrangements. On the day of the Hearing or Conference, participants must call (801) 530-6716 or toll-free 1-866-PSC-UTAH (1-866-772-8824) at least five minutes prior to the beginning of the Hearing or Conference to ensure participation.

UBTA and UBET will prepare a Notice of Proceedings to be published in the local newspapers in the communities in which the UBTA and UBET exchanges are located as soon as practicable, but not later than September 28, 2004, informing the public of the pendency of this proceeding, the dates of the public hearings to be held in Vernal and the dates of the hearing established above.

The public hearing in Vernal will be held at Uintah County Commission Chambers, 152 East 100 North, Vernal, Utah, at 6:00 p.m.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, individuals needing special accommodations (including auxiliary communicative aids and services) during this hearing should notify the Commission, at 160 East 300 South, Salt Lake City, Utah 84111, (801) 530-6716, at least three working days prior to the hearing.

Docket No. 04-053-03 - Scheduling Order (Issued: 10/5/2004) Uintah Basin Telecommunications and UBET Telecom - Merger.

DATED at Sale Lake City, Utah this 5th day of October, 2004.

/s/ Ric Campbell, Chairman

/s/ Constance B. White, Commissioner

/s/ Ted Boyer, Commissioner

Attest:

/s/ Julie Orchard, Commission Secretary

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