

- BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH -

In the Matter of a Proceeding to Address)
Actions Necessary to Respond to)
the Federal Communications Commission)
Triennial Review Order Released August)
21, 2003)
)

DOCKET NO. 03-999-04

ORDER ON JOINT MOTION FOR
EXTENSION OF BATCH HOT CUT
DIRECT TESTIMONY FILING DATE

ISSUED: January 16, 2004

By The Commission:

On November 13, 2003, the Commission issued an order in this docket approving the "Joint Proposal for the Process and Framework to Be Used to Address the Batch Hot Cut Requirements of the FCC's Triennial Review Order" (Joint Proposal) filed by Qwest Corporation (Qwest), AT&T of the Mountain States, Inc. (AT&T), and WorldCom, Inc., on behalf of its regulated subsidiaries (MCI) on October 31, 2003. The Joint Proposal contemplated the convening of a multistate Batch Hot Cut Forum (Forum) to attempt to resolve issues on the Batch Hot Cut Process and the filing of direct testimony on unresolved Batch Hot Cut Process issues in this docket on January 20, 2004.

On January 15, 2004, Qwest, MCI, and DIECA Communications, Inc., dba Covad Communications Company (Covad) filed a joint motion requesting an extension of the filing date for the Batch Hot Cut Process direct testimony from Tuesday, January 20, 2004 to Friday, January 23, 2004. The joint motion stated that the extension was needed because the transcripts from the last Forum face-to-face meeting, held January 6-8, 2004, would not be available in time to complete the testimony by January 20, 2004. The joint motion stated that the moving parties had consulted with the other participants in the Forum, including AT&T, McLeod, Eschelon, and US Link, by an e-mail sent to all persons on the Forum e-mail list and that no Forum participant had expressed any objection to the requested extension. The joint motion further represented that the extension would not create any delay in the resolution of this docket.

Based upon the foregoing, it appears that the relief sought by the joint motion is unopposed and in the public interest.

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the deadline for parties to file direct testimony on the Batch Hot Cut Process in this docket is extended from January 20, 2004 until January 23, 2004.

DATED at Salt Lake City, Utah, this 16th day of January, 2004.

/s/ Ric Campbell, Chairman

/s/ Constance B. White, Commissioner

/s/ Ted Boyer, Commissioner

Attest:

/s/ Julie Orchard
Commission Secretary