

- BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH -

Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink
QC's Petition for Statewide Exemption
from Carrier of Last Resort Obligations

DOCKET NO. 23-049-01

ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR
CONTINUANCE AND MODIFYING
SCHEDULING ORDER

ISSUED: January 26, 2024

On November 28, 2023, the Public Service Commission (PSC) issued an Order Granting Motion to Modify Scheduling Order, Amended Scheduling Order, Notice of Hearing, and Notice of Public Witness Hearing in this docket ("Amended Scheduling Order"). The Amended Scheduling Order set an evidentiary hearing in this docket for January 31, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. (and February 1, 2024, if necessary), and a public witness hearing on January 31, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. (the "January 31 Hearing").

On January 26, 2024, the Utah Rural Telecom Association (URTA) filed a Motion for Continuance ("Motion"). The Motion represents that the parties in this docket – Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC, the Division of Public Utilities, the Office of Consumer Services, and URTA – "are in the process of trying to resolve the case ... and hereby jointly request that the [January 31 Hearing] be continued" to February 8, 2024. The Motion further represents that URTA's counsel "has been authorized to sign [the Motion] on behalf of the parties listed herein."

Good cause appearing, and based on URTA's representations that the parties support the Motion, the Motion is granted. The Amended Scheduling Order in this docket is modified as follows:

MODIFIED SCHEDULE

ITEM	DEADLINE/DATE/TIME/LOCATION
Evidentiary hearing	Thursday, February 8, 2024, 9:00 a.m., Fourth Floor Hearing Room 403, Heber M. Wells Bldg., 160 East 300 South, Salt Lake City, Utah <u>NOTE: Parties should reserve Friday, February 9, 2024, in the event the hearing lasts more than one day.</u>
Public witness hearing	Thursday, February 8, 2024, 5:30 p.m., Fourth Floor Hearing Room 403, Heber M. Wells Bldg., 160 East 300 South, Salt Lake City, Utah

NOTICE OF HEARING

An evidentiary hearing in this docket will be conducted on **Thursday, February 8, 2024, at 9:00 a.m., Fourth Floor Hearing Room 403, Heber M. Wells Building, 160 East 300 South, Salt Lake City, Utah.** All parties must have their witnesses in attendance and prepared to testify. **Parties should also reserve Friday, February 9, 2024, in the event the hearing lasts more than one day.** Any person desiring to attend this event must show government-issued photo identification to be admitted past the building security station.

Individuals wishing to participate by telephone should contact the PSC two days in advance by calling (801) 530-6716 or (toll-free) 1-866-PSC-UTAH (1-866-772-8824) to receive a bridge number and participant passcode. Participants attending by

telephone should then call the bridge number five minutes before the hearing, entering the passcode followed by the # sign to ensure participation.

Individuals needing accommodations during the hearing should notify the PSC at 160 East 300 South, Salt Lake City, Utah 84111, (801) 530-6716, at least three working days prior to the hearing.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC WITNESS HEARING

The PSC will conduct a Public Witness Hearing in this docket on **Thursday, February 8, 2024, at 5:30 p.m., Fourth Floor Hearing Room 403, Heber M. Wells Building, 160 East 300 South, Salt Lake City, Utah**. The Public Witness Hearing will continue until all present individuals have had a reasonable opportunity to address the PSC. Individuals planning to address the PSC must be present by 5:30 p.m.

The PSC may limit remarks that are unduly repetitious at the Public Witness Hearing. The PSC desires to provide an opportunity for all individuals who desire to speak to do so. As such, the PSC may limit the length of individuals' remarks. Any individual wishing to present a statement of position to the PSC that is unable to do so during the Public Witness Hearing may file a written statement of position with the PSC at its office, Fourth Floor, Heber M. Wells Building, 160 East 300 South, Salt Lake City, Utah 84111 in person, by mail, by email to psc@utah.gov, or by facsimile to 801-530-6796. Please indicate that the statement pertains to Docket No. 23-049-01.

Individuals wishing to participate in the Public Witness Hearing by telephone should contact the PSC two days in advance by calling (801) 530-6716 or (toll-free) 1-

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Individuals needing accommodations during the Public Witness Hearing should notify the PSC at 160 East 300 South, Salt Lake City, Utah 84111, (801) 530-6716, at least three working days prior to the Public Witness Hearing.

DATED at Salt Lake City, Utah, January 26, 2024.

/s/ John E. Delaney
Presiding Officer

Attest:

/s/ Gary L. Widerburg
PSC Secretary
DW#331999

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I CERTIFY that on January 26, 2024, a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served upon the following as indicated below:

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