

- BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH -

In the Matter of the Petition of)
QWEST CORPORATION for Pricing)
Flexibility for Residence Services in)
the Areas Served by 44 Central Offices)
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DOCKET NO. 03-049-49

NOTICE OF INITIAL HEARING

In the Matter of the Petition of)
QWEST CORPORATION for Pricing)
Flexibility for Business Services in the)
Areas Served by 19 Central Offices)

DOCKET NO. 03-049-50

NOTICE OF INITIAL HEARING

ISSUED: July 17, 2003

By The Commission:

On July 1, 2003, Qwest Corporation (Qwest) filed a petition for pricing flexibility for residence services in the areas served by 44 central offices which was assigned Docket No. 03-049-49. On the same day, Qwest filed a petition for pricing flexibility for business services in the areas served by 19 central offices which was assigned Docket No. 03-049-50. Qwest filed testimony in support of its petition in each docket on the same day. Qwest also filed a notice of each petition certifying that the notice had been served on all competitive local exchange carrier certificated to provide public telecommunications services within the state of Utah, as required by Rule R746-351-4(B), on July 1, 2003. Qwest filed a motion for entry of protective order in each docket on July 2, 2003. The Commission issued a protective order in each docket on July 7, 2003.

On July 10, 2003, the Division of Public Utilities filed a memorandum in each docket, stating that it was unable to respond to the petition within 10 days as contemplated by Rule R746-351-4(C) and recommending that the Commission schedule a hearing on the petition. AT&T Communications of the Mountain States, Inc. filed a petition to intervene in Docket No. 03-049-49 dated July 14, 2003, indicating that it may wish to file evidence in the docket. The Committee of Consumer Services filed a memorandum in both dockets dated July 16, 2003, concurring with the Division's recommendations.

Based upon the foregoing and in accordance with Rule R746-351-4(C), the Commission hereby gives notice that it is not prepared at this time to grant or deny the petitions and that a hearing may be necessary to consider the petitions. The Commission further gives notice that an Initial Hearing shall be held jointly in both dockets on Thursday, July 31, 2003 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commission's main hearing room, Room 426 Heber M. Wells Office Building, 160 East 300 South, Salt Lake City, Utah. The purpose of the Initial Hearing is to identify issues to be resolved and to schedule further proceedings in each docket. All persons should be aware that the Commission is required, pursuant to Utah Code Ann. § 54-8b-2.3(2)(b)(iv)(A), to enter its final order either granting or denying each petition within 90 days of the date the petition was filed.

Any person wishing to participate in the Initial Hearing by telephone should notify Julie Orchard, Commission Secretary, at (801) 530-6713, in advance of the hearing.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, individuals needing special accommodations, including auxiliary communications aids and services, during any conference or hearing in this docket should notify Julie Orchard, Commission Secretary, 160 East 300 South, Room 400, Box 45585, Salt Lake City, Utah 84145-0585, Telephone: (801) 530-6713, at least three working days in advance of the conference or hearing.

DATED at Salt Lake City, Utah this 17th day of July, 2003.

/s/ Julie Orchard
Commission Secretary