

- BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH -

In the Matter of an Investigation Into)
the Reasonableness of the Rates and)
Charges of the MOUNTAIN STATES)
TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH)
COMPANY.)

DOCKET NO. 88-049-18

SCHEDULING ORDER

ISSUED: April 1, 1998

Appearances:

Michael Ginsberg Assistant Attorney General	For	Division of Public Utilities
Kent Walgren Assistant Attorney General	"	Committee of Consumer Services
William J. Evans Parsons Behle & Latimer	"	MCI Telecommunications Corporation
Jerry D. Fenn Blackburn & Stoll LC	"	Tel America of Salt Lake City, Inc.
Richard S. Wolters, by telephone	"	AT&T Communications of the Mountain States, Inc.
Gregory B. Monson Stoel Rives LLP	"	U S West Communications, Inc.

BY THE COMMISSION:

This matter came on for hearing on March 13, 1998, pursuant to notice to the parties for the purpose of scheduling further proceedings in this matter.

The parties presented a stipulation to the Commission entered into by all parties, with the exception of the Committee, setting forth a proposed schedule in the matter. The Committee stated that it had no objection to the schedule set forth in the stipulation, but had not entered into the stipulation because it contained references to mediation.

After hearing from the parties and being fully advised, the Commission makes the following order regarding schedule and procedure in this docket:

ORDER

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

May 1, 1998 Deadline for completion of mediation absent approval of the Commission for an extension

May 13, 1998 Attorneys conference to discuss mediation with any parties that did not participate and to discuss

potential witnesses, evidence and discovery

June 15, 1998 Deadline for filing pretrial motions

July 15, 1998 Deadline for responding to pretrial motions

August 3, 1998 Deadline for replying to responses to pretrial motions

August 13, 1998 Hearing on pretrial motions, 9:00 a.m.

August 17, 1998 Discovery cutoff

November 16, 1998 Simultaneous filing of any direct testimony required to be prefiled

December 14, 1998 Simultaneous filing of any rebuttal testimony required to be prefiled

December 21, 1998 Final attorneys conference

January 4 - 15 and Hearings, 9:00 a.m.

January 25 - 29, 1999

Parties are required to serve copies of their motions and memoranda on all other parties on the same day they are filed by hand delivery or facsimile or by electronic mail if the party receiving service has indicated a willingness and the capability to receive service by electronic mail. In the event motions or memoranda are served by facsimile or electronic mail, a hard copy shall follow by regular mail.

The hearings set forth in the foregoing schedule shall be held in the Commission's Hearing Room No. 426, Fourth Floor, Heber M. Wells Building, 160 East 300 South, Salt Lake City, Utah, unless otherwise noted.

Parties may file motions prior to the deadline for filing pretrial motions in which event responsive and reply memoranda and a hearing will be handled in accordance with the Commission's normal procedures.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, individuals needing special accommodations (including auxiliary communicative aids and services) during the hearings should notify Julie Orchard, Commission Secretary, at 160 East 300 South, Salt Lake City Utah 84111, (801) 530-6713, at least three working days prior to the hearings.

DATED at Salt Lake City, Utah, this 1st day of April, 1998.

/s/ Stephen F. Mecham, Chairman

(SEAL) /s/ Constance B. White, Commissioner

/s/ Clark D. Jones, Commissioner

Attest:

/s/ Julie Orchard
Commission Secretary