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In the Matter of the Petition of NEXTLINK OF )  
UTAH, INC., for Arbitration of an )  
Interconnection Agreement with US WEST )  
COMMUNICATIONS, INC., Pursuant to 47 )  
U.S.C. § 252 )

DOCKET NO. 98-2208-03

REVISED SCHEDULING ORDER

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ISSUED: December 23, 1998

BY THE COMMISSION:

NEXTLINK of Utah, Inc. ("NEXTLINK"), filed a petition with the Public Service Commission of Utah (the "Commission") for Arbitration of an Interconnection Agreement with US WEST Communications, Inc. ("U S WEST"), in the subject docket on August 14, 1998. US WEST filed its response to the NEXTLINK petition on September 8, 1998. Although the parties have continued negotiations since NEXTLINK's petition and US WEST's response thereto were filed with the Commission, a number of issues remain unresolved and have been presented to the Commission for arbitration. The parties have identified, and filed with the Commission, a joint statement of issues consisting of eleven issues which are herein scheduled for arbitration. The arbitration will include only the issues listed on the joint statement of disputed issues attached to the Scheduling Order issued on November 10, 1998. This matter was assigned to A. Robert Thurman, Administrative Law Judge for the Commission, by Order of the Commission dated November 10, 1998.

The parties agreed to, and have previously filed, a single simultaneous round of testimony. The parties have now agreed to a revised schedule for hearing of evidence as set forth below in this Order. The parties have also agreed in developing the schedule set forth below to extend the statutory window for an arbitration decision under the Telecommunications Act of 1996 to March 1, 1999.

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. Hearings will be held before A. Robert Thurman, Administrative Law Judge, January 20 & 21, 1999.
2. Post-hearing briefs will be submitted on or before February 1, 1999.
3. Decision will be entered on or before March 1, 1999.

DATED at Salt Lake City, Utah, this 23rd day of December, 1998.

/s/ A. Robert Thurman  
Administrative Law Judge