

- BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH -

In the Matter of the Merger of the )  
Parent Corporations of Qwest )  
Communications Corporation, LCI )  
International Telecom Corp., and )  
U.S. West Communications, Inc. )

DOCKET NO. 99-049-41

SCHEDULING ORDER

ISSUED: October 7, 1999

By The Commission:

On October 4, 1999, a hearing was held pursuant to notice. Counsel for Qwest Communications Corporation, LCI International Telecom Corp., and U.S. West Communications, Inc. (collectively "Applicants"), the Division of Public Utilities, the Committee of Consumer Services, Rhythms Links, Inc., the Coalition of Utah Independent Internet Service Providers, the Utah Rural Telecom Association, Central Utah Communications, L.C., NEXTLINK UTAH, Inc., AT&T Communications of the Mountain States, Inc., and McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, Inc., and representatives of the Salt Lake Area Community Action Program, Crossroads Urban Center, and the Association of U.S. West Retirees entered appearances.

Based upon the positions expressed at the hearing and good cause appearing, the Commission establishes the following schedule and procedures for further proceedings in this docket.

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that:

- The following schedule shall apply in this docket:

October 8, 1999 Deadline for persons wishing to intervene in this proceeding to file petitions for intervention

October 14, 1999 Deadline for Applicants or others to file objections to petitions for intervention

October 21, 1999 Deadline for persons filing petitions for intervention to file responses to objections to their petitions

October 26, 1999 Hearing at 9:30 a.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, on petitions for intervention and objections. The Commission will also hear pending discovery issues at this time if motions regarding them are filed prior to the hearing and proper notice is given.

January 31, 2000 Deadline for the Division of Public Utilities, Committee of Consumer Services, and Interveners to file testimony

February 28, 2000 Deadline for Applicants to file rebuttal testimony

March 6, 2000 Deadline for any party to file at least a summary of any surrebuttal testimony and exhibits to be introduced during hearing.

March 8, 2000 Hearing at 9:00 a.m. Hearings will continue on March 9, 10, and 13, 2000, if necessary.

March 13, 2000 Public witness hearing at 9:00 a.m. Persons who are not parties and who wish to present a sworn or unsworn statement to the Commission on the proposed merger of the parent corporations of Applicants may do so.

Persons who wish their statement to be considered as the basis for a finding by the Commission must present a sworn statement and submit to cross-examination.

2. All of the foregoing hearings shall be held in the Commission's hearing room, Room 426, Heber M. Wells Office Building, Salt Lake City, Utah 84111. Persons wishing to participate in a hearing by telephone should notify Julie Orchard, Commission Secretary, Telephone: (801) 530-6713, in advance of the hearing.
3. The parties shall respond to discovery requests within 14 days of service.
4. The parties shall serve all pleadings, motions, notices, discovery, testimony, and other filings on all other parties by electronic mail, if available, or, if electronic mail is not available, by facsimile. Paper copies of all filings shall also be served upon all other parties by hand delivery, overnight courier, or regular mail. A paper copy of a filing shall be served by hand delivery, if served to a recipient in the same city, or overnight courier, if served to a recipient in another city in the event that a response is due to the filing or a hearing will be held on the filing within five business days of the date of the filing.

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

DATED at Salt Lake City, Utah, this 7th day of October, 1999.

/s/ Stephen F. Mecham, Chairman

/s/ Constance B. White, Commissioner

/s/ Clark D. Jones, Commissioner

Attest:

/s/ Julie Orchard  
Commission Secretary