BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF QWEST)	
CORPORATION'S REVISIONS TO THE)	CASE NO. QWE-T-03-23
IDAHO QWEST PERFORMANCE)	_
ASSURANCE PLAN (QPAP))	ORDER NO. 30416
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On August 15, 2007, Staff filed a Motion to Extend Time for Filing Comments in this case. The Commission issued a Notice of Application and Notice of Modified Procedure in Case No. QWE-T-03-23 on July 27, 2007, setting August 17, 2007 as the deadline for filing written comments.

On June 26, 2007, Qwest filed a Notice of Stipulation regarding certain performance indicator definitions (PIDs) and Qwest's Performance Assurance Plan (QPAP) provisions. The PIDs and QPAP are part of Qwest's Statement of Generally Available Terms and Conditions that provides terms for competitive local exchange carriers to interconnect with Qwest's local service facilities. The filing included a Motion by Qwest, on its own behalf and by three competitive local exchange companies (CLECs), for approval of the proposed changes to the QPAP. Qwest and the three CLECs agreed to the changes to the PIDs and the QPAP in meetings held between May 23, 2006 and May 17, 2007. Qwest requested that the Commission accept the Stipulation describing the proposed changes and apply the changes to any interconnection agreements containing the Performance Assurance Plan, and also to allow the PID changes to go into effect no later than 60 days in accordance with 47 U.S.C. § 252(f)(3).

Staff's Motion states that the Stipulation was filed in all 14 states where Qwest is the incumbent local exchange company and is currently being discussed as a multi-state matter by the Regional Oversight Committee (ROC) staff. The ROC asked Qwest for an extension of time, until September 28, 2007, to allow states time to determine the revenue impact to other CLECs or State Commissions. Only three CLECs are parties to the Stipulation, and Staff believes Qwest's filing should be reviewed for its effect on other CLECs and the impact the proposed Tier 1 and Tier 2 penalty payments would have on other CLECs and states. In a letter to Staff dated August 14, 2007, Qwest stated it "will not oppose an extended review through September 28, 2007."

We find it reasonable and appropriate to grant Staff's Motion to Extend the Time for Filing Written Comments in this case until September 28, 2007. The additional time will allow Staff and interested parties the opportunity to obtain additional information from Qwest and to evaluate the effect of the changes on CLECs and on Tier 1 and Tier 2 payments.

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the deadline for filing written comments in this case is extended, and comments may be filed on or before September 28, 2007.

DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this 2840 day of August 2007.

PAUL KJELLANDER, PRESIDENT

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