

DECISION MEMORANDUM

TO: COMMISSIONER KJELLANDER
COMMISSIONER SMITH
COMMISSIONER REDFORD
COMMISSION SECRETARY
COMMISSION STAFF
LEGAL

FROM: WELDON STUTZMAN

DATE: JULY 19, 2007

SUBJECT: CASE NO. QWE-T-03-23
PROPOSED CHANGES TO QWEST'S PERFORMANCE ASSURANCE PLAN

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 notice also includes a motion by Qwest, on its own behalf and by other telecommunications companies, for approval of the proposed changes to the QPAP. The Stipulation results from work sessions between Qwest, Eschelon Telecom, Inc., DIECA Communications, Inc. dba Covad Communications Company, and McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, Inc. The agreements for changes to the performance indicator definitions and the QPAP were reached in meetings held between May 23, 2006 and May 17, 2007. Qwest's notice identifies 11 changes that are applicable to the Idaho QPAP and performance indicator definitions.

Qwest requests that the Commission accept the 2007 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 recommends that the Commission process Qwest's motion by Modified Procedure, and issue a notice identifying the 11 changes to enable interested parties to provide written comments.

COMMISSION DECISION

Should the Notice of Stipulation and Motion for Approval of proposed changes to Qwest's Performance Assurance Plan be processed by Modified Procedure?



Weldon B. Stutzman