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DATE:APRIL 2, 1998

RE:U.S. TELCO, INC. MOTION TO WITHDRAW APPLICATION FORCERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY AND FOR APPROVAL OF AN INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT WITH U S WEST COMMUNICATIONS, INC. PURSUANT TO 47 U.S.C. § 252(e).  CASE NO. UST-T-98-1.

On January 7, 1998, the Commission received an Application from U.S. Telco, Inc.for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide resold residential local exchange service as a competitive local carrier in those areas currently served by U S WEST Communications, Inc., GTE Northwest Incorporated and Citizens Telecommunications Company of Idaho.  On March 12, 1998, the Commission issued a Notice of Application and Notice of Modified Procedure.  Order No. 27403. Comments were due April 2, 1998. On March 30, 1998, Telco moved to withdraw its Application.  On April 2, 1998, the Staff filed brief comments regarding Telco’s motion and suggesting closing this proceeding was in the public interest.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Commission grant Telco’s Motion to Withdraw this Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity and close this proceeding.

Commission Decision

Does the Commission want to grant Telco’s Motion to Withdraw its Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity and close this proceeding?

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