(text box: 1)BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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| IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF U S WEST COMMUNICATIONS, INC.  TARIFF ADVICE 96-10-N TO RESTRUCTURE LOCAL TRANSPORT CHARGES. | )  )  )  )  ) | CASE NO. USW-T-97-3  ORDER NO.  27177 |

On October 17, 1997, U S WEST Communications, Inc. (U S WEST) filed a Motion for an Extension of Time to file its Cross-Petition for Reconsideration in this matter in Response  to the Petition for Reconsideration filed by AT&T on October 9, 1997.  U S WEST states that it needs the additional time because of the press of other docket filing requirements and the illness of its attorney.

F I N D I N G S

We find that U S WEST has provided a good cause for its request to extend the seven-day deadline imposed by Rule 331(02) of the Commission’s Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.331(02) for Filing Cross-Petitions for Reconsideration.  U S WEST shall have until October 30, 1997 to file its Answer or Cross-Petition to AT&T’s Petition for Reconsideration.

O R D E R

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that U S WEST’s Motion for an Extension of Time to file a Cross-Petition for Reconsideration is granted as set forth above.

DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this                  day of October 1997.

                                                                                                                                      DENNIS S. HANSEN, PRESIDENT

                                                                                           RALPH NELSON, COMMISSIONER

MARSHA H. SMITH, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

Myrna J. Walters

Commission Secretary

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**COMMENTS AND ANNOTATIONS**

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