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FROM:WELDON STUTZMAN

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RE:CASE NO USW-T-97-8.

APPROVAL OF WIRELESS INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT BETWEEN  U S WEST AND UNITED STATES CELLULAR MOBILE TELEPHONE NETWORK.

On March 7, 1997, U S WEST Communications filed an Application for approval of an interconnection agreement that provides for U S WEST and United States Cellular Mobile Telephone Network to interconnect their facilities and interchange traffic.  The agreement was reached through voluntary negotiations and was submitted for approval pursuant to 47 USC § 252 (e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.  On April 3, 1997, the Commission issued a Notice of Application and Notice of Modified Procedure to process the Application.  The comment period established by the Notice terminated on April 24, 1997.  No comments were filed regarding the Application.

Staff recommends approval of this wireless interconnection agreement.

Commission Decision:

Should the agreement for interconnection of facilities and interchange of traffic between U S WEST and United States Cellular Mobile Telephone Network be approved pursuant to § 252 (e) of the Telecommunications Act?

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