(Decision No. C93-56)

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

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RE: APPLICATION OF U S WEST COMMUNICA-) TIONS, INC., FOR DECLARATORY ORDER, OR) IN THE ALTERNATIVE, FOR WAIVER FROM) CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE RULES) CONCERNING EMERGENCY REPORTING) SERVICES.

DOCKET NO. 92A-349T

ORDER GRANTING EXTENSION OF TIME

Mailed Date: January 19, 1993 Adopted Date: January 13, 1993

STATEMENT

BY THE COMMISSION:

On January 12, 1993, U S WEST Communications, Inc. ("USWC") filed a Motion for Extension of Time to January 18, 1993, within which to provide Staff with the technical specifications defining USWC's Emergency Reporting Services.

In Decision No. R92-1421, dated November 13, 1992, Hearings Commissioner Alvarez ordered USWC to provide Staff, within 60 days of the effective date of the order, with "technical specifications defining the emergency reporting services that are currently being provided, or that will be provided in the new areas sought to be served or certificated under the rules." The effective date of the Hearings Commissioner's order was November 13, 1992. Thus, USWC was required to provide Staff with the information on or before January 12, 1993. By this same Decision and Order, the Hearing Commissioner accepted, with minor modifications, a Stipulation among the parties. One of the matters resolved in the approved stipulation resulted in USWC filing for and receiving rate increases in its E-911 tariff rates on less than statutory notice.

On November 25, 1992, USWC filed Docket No. 92A-696T ("Application") seeking a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to be a basic emergency service provider in all of the independent telephone company exchanges, except the Haxtun and Holyoke exchanges. The technical specifications USWC was to have filed on January 12, 1993, were to define the emergency reporting services that will be provided in the new areas sought to be served or certificated under this Application. At its regularly scheduled Open Meeting on January 13, 1993, the Commission tabled final consideration of this Application pending the filing of the technical specifications.

In addition to stating the reasons for its inability to provide Staff with the required information, the motion states that USWC has attempted to contact Staff, the only party to this proceeding, and Staff's attorney, to see if they had any objection to the request for an extension of time.

The motion filed by USWC provides scant grounds for noncompliance with the requirement to file the technical specifications. Since USWC is already providing E-911 service, the 60 days after the effective date of the order would seem to have been more than adequate to compile existing information. The Commission is not interested in receiving any further motions for extension of time unless supported by extraordinarily good grounds.

The Commission will grant this motion, but fully expects USWC to provide the information without further delay.

THEREFORE THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The response time to the Motion for Extension of Time by U S WEST Communications, Inc., is hereby waived.

2. The Motion for Extension of Time by U S WEST Communications, Inc., is hereby granted.

This Order is effective on its Mailed Date.

ADOPTED IN OPEN MEETING January 13, 1993.

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