PROCEEDING NO. 13M-0422T

IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSION CONSIDERATION OF EFFECTIVE COMPETITION AREAS AND THE CLASSIFICATION OF BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE PURSUANT TO 4 CCR 723-1-2213.

INTERIM DECISION OF HEARING COMMISSIONER JOSHUA B. EPEL EXCUSING WITNESSES FROM HEARING

Mailed Date: January 6, 2014

I. <u>STATEMENT</u>

- 1. On January 3, 2014, as required in Decision No. R13-1572-I which was issued on December 20, 2013, Staff of the Commission (Staff) filed a list of witnesses and estimated cross-examination times. Staff represents that all parties to the proceeding agree, not only to the allocation of estimated cross-examination times, but also to the appearance of witnesses and order of cross-examination of each witness. Staff further represents that no party requests cross-examination of witnesses Lynn Notarianni and Don Price. Staff was authorized by other parties to state that all parties waive the appearance of these two witnesses at the hearing and will not contest the admissibility of their written testimony.
- 2. Staff therefore requests that the hearing commissioner waive the appearance of one or both of these witnesses.
- 3. There is good cause to grant Staff's request. Witnesses Lynn Notariani and Don Price are excused from appearing at the hearing scheduled January 7 and 8, 2014.

II. ORDER

A. It Is Ordered That:

- 1. Witnesses Lynn Notariani and Don Price are excused from appearing at the hearing scheduled January 7 and 8, 2014.
 - 2. This Decision is effective immediately.



ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

Doug Dean, Director

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

JOSHUA B. EPEL

Hearing Commissioner