

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

DOCKET NO. 03A-556T

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF FRONT RANGE COMMUNICATIONS, INC.,
FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO PROVIDE
LOCAL EXCHANGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES AND/OR A LETTER OF
REGISTRATION TO PROVIDE EMERGING COMPETITIVE TELECOMMUNICATIONS
SERVICES.

**INTERIM ORDER OF
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE
WILLIAM J. FRITZEL
GRANTING STAFF'S MOTION
FOR A PREHEARING CONFERENCE**

Mailed Date: April 6, 2004

I. STATEMENT

1. On March 24, 2004, Staff of the Colorado Public Utilities Commission (Staff) filed a Motion Requesting a Prehearing Conference to Establish a Procedural Schedule and to Vacate and Reschedule Hearing.

2. The hearing of this matter is currently scheduled for April 27, 2004. Staff requests that the prehearing conference be held to develop a schedule for filing direct testimony, answer testimony and rebuttal testimony and any other procedures. Staff suggests that the prehearing conference be held during the week of April 5, 2004.

3. Good cause having been shown, the motion of Staff will be granted. The recommendation of Staff to schedule a prehearing conference during the week of April 5, 2004 is unacceptable since the undersigned will be unavailable during that week. Since the matter is already scheduled for April 27, 2004 for hearing, this order will vacate the hearing on that date

and substitute in its place a prehearing conference. A rescheduled date will be set on April 27, 2004.

4. Full response time to this motion is waived.

II. ORDER

A. It Is Ordered That:

1. The motion of the Staff of the Colorado Public Utilities Commission for a prehearing conference, and to vacate and reschedule hearing is granted.

2. The hearing currently scheduled for April 27, 2004 is vacated.

3. A prehearing conference for the purpose of establishing a procedural schedule, and for other matters raised by the parties will be held on April 27, 2004 at 9:00 a.m. at the Commission hearing room in Denver, Colorado.

4. This Order is effective immediately.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

Administrative Law Judge