Decision No. C04-1125

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

DOCKET NO. 02M-259T

IN THE MATTER OF QWEST CORPORATION'S COLORADO PERFORMANCE ASSURANCE PLAN.

ORDER SETTING COMMENT DATE

Mailed Date: September 29, 2004 Adopted Date: September 22, 2004

I. <u>BY THE COMMISSION</u>

A. Statement

1. On September 9, 2004, Vantage Consulting, Inc. and NorthStar Consulting Group (collectively the Independent Auditor) filed the first annual audit of the Colorado Performance Assurance Plan (CPAP) entitled The Final Report of Qwest's CPAP 2003 Annual Audit for Colorado Public Service (sic) Commission dated September 7, 2004. This audit is required by §§ 14.6 and 14.7 of the CPAP.

2. In this decision, we set a date for comments on this annual audit to be filed by any party (including Staff of the Commission and Qwest Corporation) to this docket. We will allow parties approximately one month, or until October 22, 2004 to file comments on the methods employed by the Independent Auditor in its analysis, the substantive conclusions reached in this audit, and how the Commission should proceed.

II. ORDER

A. The Commission Orders That:

1. Comments on the Independent Auditor's Final Report of Qwest's Colorado

Performance Assurance Plan 2003 Annual Audit shall be filed on or before October 22, 2004.

2. This Order is effective on its Mailed Date.

B. ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING September 22, 2004.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

Commissioners

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