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REGARDING ADOPTION OF A BATCH HOT CUT PROCESS PURSUANT TO 49 C.F.R. § 51.319(d)(2)(ii).

INTERIM ORDER OF
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE
DALE E. ISLEY
GRANTING MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Mailed Date: January 16, 2004

I. STATEMENT

1. On November 5, 2003, the Colorado Public Utilities Commission established a procedural schedule governing portions of the captioned proceeding. *See*, Decision No. C03-1250. That decision called for the parties to file their direct testimony and exhibits in connection with unresolved issues on or before January 20, 2004.

- 2. On January 15, 2004, Qwest Corporation, WorldCom, Inc., on behalf of its regulated subsidiaries, and DIECA Communications, Inc., doing business as Covad Communications Company (collectively, Movants), filed a Joint Motion for Extension of Time to File Direct Testimony and Request for Waiver of or Shortened Response Time (Motion).
- 3. The Motion requests that the deadline for filing direct testimony and exhibits in connection with unresolved issues be extended to January 23, 2004, and that response time to the Motion either be shortened or waived. In support of their request, Movants state that the requested extension is needed in order to allow the parties additional time to review material recently posted on the Batch Hot Cut Forum (Forum) website.

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4. Movants indicate that they have consulted with the other participants in the Forum, as well as the Staff of the Commission and the Colorado Office of Consumer Counsel, concerning the relief requested by the Motion and that no other party objects to extending the subject deadline.

5. Good cause having been stated, the Motion will be granted and the response time thereto will be waived.

II. ORDER

A. It Is Ordered That:

- 1. The Joint Motion for Extension of Time to File Direct Testimony and Request for Waiver of or Shortened Response Time filed in the captioned proceeding by Qwest Corporation, WorldCom, Inc., on behalf of its regulated subsidiaries, and DIECA Communications, Inc., doing business as Covad Communications Company, is granted. Response time to the subject motion is waived.
- 2. The deadline for filing direct testimony and exhibits in connection with unresolved issues is extended to January 23, 2004.
 - 3. This Order shall be effective immediately.

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OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

Administrative Law Judge