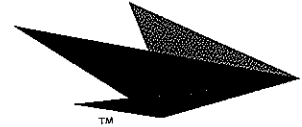


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November 30, 2006

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Re: Petition to Intervene in the Matter of UM 1280

Dear Ms. Walker:

Please find enclosed a Petition to Intervene in the Matter of UM 1280 from United Telephone Company of the Northwest d/b/a Embarq. Included is the original and one copy.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



William E. Hendricks

Enclosure  
cc: UM 1280 service list

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
OF OREGON**

**UM 1280**

|                                               |   |                                 |
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| In the Matter of                              | ) |                                 |
|                                               | ) | PETITION TO INTERVENE OF UNITED |
| PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF                  | ) | TELEPHONE COMPANY OF THE        |
| OREGON                                        | ) | NORTHWEST D/B/A EMBARQ          |
|                                               | ) |                                 |
| Investigation to Determine whether Rural      | ) |                                 |
| Incumbent Local Exchange Carriers should      | ) |                                 |
| <u>Disaggregate Universal Service Support</u> | ) |                                 |

United Telephone Company of the Northwest d/b/a Embarq ("Embarq"), respectfully petition the Commission for leave to intervene in the above captioned proceeding. In support of this petition, Embarq states as follows:

1. The name and address of the petitioner is:

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3. Nature and extent of Petitioner's interest in this proceeding:

Petitioner is an incumbent local exchange carrier in Oregon and will therefore be directly affected by any decision that results from the investigation in this docket.

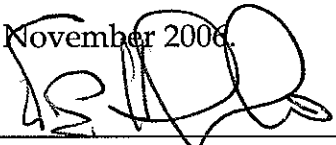
4. The issues Petitioner intends to raise at this proceeding:

Petitioner will raise only those issues that are directly related to the issue of whether rural incumbent local exchange carriers should disaggregate federal universal service support.

5. As an ILEC providing service in Oregon, Embarq has knowledge and expertise that will assist the Commission and the parties in resolving the issues presented in this proceeding.

Petitioner therefore requests that the Commission grant this Petition to Intervene.

Respectfully submitted this 30<sup>th</sup> day of November 2006.

By: 

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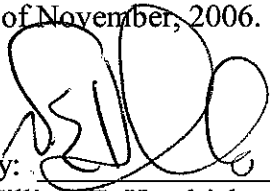
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