

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UM 1017(3)

In the Matter of

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF
OREGON

Investigation into Expansion of the
Oregon Universal Service Fund to
Include the Service Areas of Rural
Telecommunications Carriers

RULING

DISPOSITION: MOTION GRANTED; SCHEDULE MODIFIED

At the prehearing conference held in this docket on June 7, 2011, a procedural schedule was adopted which included the date of July 18, 2011, for the submission of issues lists. On June 29, 2011, counsel for the Commission Staff filed a motion with the Commission requesting that the administrative law judge modify the procedural schedule by omitting the requirement that parties file an issues list on July 18, 2011.

Staff states that the modification is supported or not opposed by Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon; CenturyLink, Inc.; AT&T Communications of the Pacific Northwest, Inc.; Frontier Communications Northwest, Inc.; Warm Springs Telecommunications; TW Telecom of Oregon, LLC; GVNW Consulting, Inc.; Comcast Phone of Oregon, LLC; Verizon; Oregon Exchange Carrier Association (OECA); Oregon Telecommunications Association (OTA); Oregon Cable Telecommunications Association; TDS Telecom; Monroe Telephone; TRACER; and Stayton Cooperative Telephone Company.

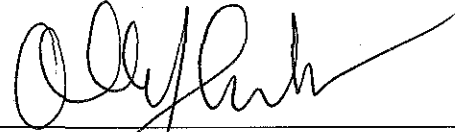
Staff notes that the above-named entities “participated in a workshop and agreed that it would be difficult to formulate an issues list prior to the time the Oregon Exchange Carrier Association filed testimony on August 5, 2011” and further agreed that such an issues list would not be necessary after the OECA and OTA testimony is filed.¹

¹ Staff also states that the parties have decided to change workshop dates. As noted in the June 8, 2011 Prehearing Conference Memorandum, notification and approval of such changes by the Commission are unnecessary.

I find that the request to omit the submission of issues lists will not adversely affect the proceedings and is reasonable.

The Motion is granted.

Dated this 30th day of June, at Salem, Oregon.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Allan J. Arlow', written over a horizontal line.

Allan J. Arlow
Administrative Law Judge

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