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IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPLAINT OF)
AT&T COMMUNICATIONS OF THE)
MOUNTAIN STATES, INC. AGAINST)
U S WEST COMMUNICATIONS, INC.)
REGARDING ACCESS SERVICE)

DOCKET NO. T-02428A-99-0476
T-01051B-99-0476

**AT&T'S MOTION TO STAY
THE PROCEEDING AND
VACATE THE HEARING
DATES**

AT&T Communications of the Mountain States, Inc. ("AT&T") submits its Motion to Stay This Proceeding and Vacate the Hearing Dates. As grounds therefor, AT&T states as follows:

1. AT&T filed this proceeding with the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission" or "ACC"), and five other state commissions, essentially seeking some relief from the poor, erratic and discriminatory exchange access service AT&T receives from U S WEST Communications, Inc. ("U S WEST") in their respective states.

2. In each of the proceedings, U S WEST argued that the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") was the only forum with jurisdiction to hear AT&T's complaints. While no state commission to date has concurred with U S WEST on this issue, the commissions that have heard the case have rendered inconsistent opinions about whether to take action on AT&T's behalf. The Colorado Commission deferred its judgment to the FCC. The Washington Commission took no action on AT&T's complaint and the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission decided to handle the issues in a rulemaking proceeding.

3. Given that AT&T brought these cases in the first instance to obtain some state-specific, but consistent and expedited relief for its end-user customers in the affected states and that relief has not been granted, AT&T is compelled to seek assistance from the FCC. AT&T intends to file a complaint with the FCC concerning the poor service quality AT&T receives with regard to the access services that AT&T purchases from U S WEST.

4. Therefore, AT&T asks this Commission to stay this proceeding pending resolution of the FCC proceeding and vacate the August hearing dates. By this request, AT&T in no way suggests that the ACC does not have the requisite jurisdiction to consider the matter. Moreover, AT&T appreciates this Commission's consideration to date.

5. Because U S WEST has sought a declaratory ruling from the FCC, divesting the state commissions of their jurisdiction over this matter, U S WEST will not be harmed nor prejudiced by ACC granting this Motion.

WHEREFORE AT&T respectfully requests that the Commission immediately stay this proceeding and vacate the hearing dates.

Dated this ___ day of August 2000.

Respectfully submitted,

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