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BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION

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IN THE MATTER OF QWEST  
COMMUNICATIONS INTERNATIONAL, INC.'S,  
QWEST SERVICES CORPORATION'S, AND  
QWEST CORPORATION'S NOTICE OF SALE,  
REQUEST FOR WAIVER, OR APPLICATION  
FOR APPROVAL OF THE SALE OF THE  
ARIZONA OPERATIONS OF QWEST DEX, INC.

**NOTIFICATION OF  
INTERVENTION**

**BY THE COMMISSION:**

On January 13, 2003, the Secretary of Defense, through duly authorized Counsel and on behalf of the consumer interests of the United States Department of Defense, and all other affected Federal Executive Agencies (collectively "DOD/FEA"), filed a Motion for Leave to Intervene in the above-captioned matter.

On January 16, 2003, Qwest Corporation ("Qwest") filed a Response to the DOD/FEA Motion, opposing the request to intervene. Qwest argues that the DOD/FEA has not demonstrated an interest that may be directly and substantially affected by the sale of Dex's Arizona assets. Qwest asserts that its corporate structure and Arizona operations will not be affected by the sale, and rates charged by Qwest to customers such as the DOD/FEA are not affected.

On January 27, 2003, DOD/FEA filed a Reply. DOD/FEA argues that it purchases large quantities of telecommunication service from Qwest in Arizona, and the proposed sale of Dex assets may have a substantial affect on Qwest's telephone rates, as a result of the imputation of directory assistance revenues. DOD/FEA states that in other states, DOD/FEA is actively participating as an intervener in the dockets dealing with the sale of Qwest's directory assets. DOD/FEA notes that Commission Staff's analysis will focus in part on potential implications for Arizona ratepayers.

The DOD/FEA has demonstrated that as a Qwest customer in Arizona, it may be directly and substantially affected by the sale of directory assets. Thus, it's Motion for Intervention should be

1 granted. The DOD/FEA's intervention will not unduly broaden nor delay the proceeding.

2 IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that DOD/FEA's Motion to Intervene is granted.

3 DATED this 4th day of February, 2003.

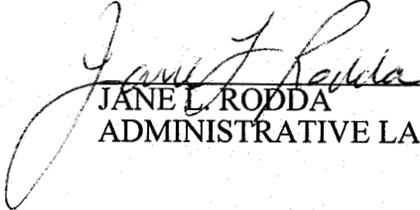
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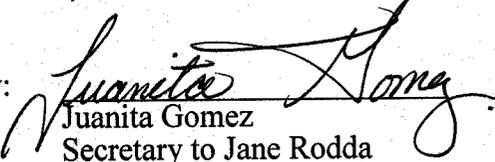
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