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RE: Case No. TA-2000-309

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing in the above-captioned case are an original and fourteen (14) conformed copies of a STAFF REPORT.

This filing has been mailed or hand-delivered this date to all counsel of record.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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In the Matter of the Application of) QWEST COMMUNICATIONS) CORPORATION, for a Certificate of) Authority to Provide Basic Local and) Local Exchange Intrastate) Telecommunications Services within the) State of Missouri.

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STAFF REPORT

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) and for its

report states:

In the attached Memorandum, which is labeled Appendix A, Staff reports its findings in

the investigation of QWEST COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION pursuant to the Missouri

Public Service Commission's Order Directing Additional Staff Review and Directing Filing

issued February 2, 2000.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed or hand-delivered to all counsel of record as shown on the attached service list this 9th day of March 2000.

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MEMORANDUM

Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File To: Case No. TA-2000-309 **Qwest Communications Corporation**

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Qwest Communications Corporation investigation Subject:

March 9, 2000 Date:

On February 1, 2000, the Missouri Public Service Commission's (Commission) Order Directing Additional Staff Review and Directing Filing requested Staff to review whether Qwest Communications Corporation (Qwest) has pending or final decisions or judgments against it from any state or federal agency involving service and marketing to customers or rates charged.

On March 2, 2000, Qwest provided its response to Staff's data requests. The response, which is attached as Exhibit A, lists such pending formal complaints and final decisions and judgements against Owest and/or its affiliates since 1998. Staff has attempted to obtain further clarification of Exhibit A. On March 3, 2000, Staff sent Qwest an additional data request asking for a list of settlements by Qwest Communications Corporation or by its affiliates with any state or federal agency involving service and marketing to customers or rates charged to which Qwest has not responded.

The response lists all formal complaints against Qwest and its affiliates brought by a state or federal agency with regard to the provision of service, marketing, or rates, as well as all judgments or decisions resulting from such complaints since 1998. The companies are listed as Qwest Communications International Inc., Qwest Communications Inc. and LCI International Telecom Corp. These companies and their relationship to Qwest are shown on Exhibit B of the Application. The state and federal agencies with pending complaints or judgments against Qwest for slamming include the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), the Connecticut Attorney General, the Massachusetts PUC, Michigan PSC, and the Missouri Attorney General.

The Commission's Consumer Services Department has received informal complaints against Qwest Communications Corporation including: 1 in April 1998, 16 in 1999, and 3 in 2000 for slamming, and 1 in January 2000 for a disputed bill. Qwest Communications Corporation has an Interexchange (IXC) Certificate.

The Commission's Order Granting Additional Time for Staff Review, issued on February 23, 2000, states that Qwest may file a response to this Staff Memorandum by March 21, 2000. The Staff

Appendix A





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would expect Qwest to further clarify the complaints brought against it and its affiliates (whether ending in a decision or a settlement). In addition, Qwest needs to explain what actions have been taken by the company to prevent future recurrences. With that additional information, the Staff will be better able to determine whether to revise its previously filed suggestions in support of granting a basic local telecommunications certificate to Qwest.

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RESPONSE TO STAFF'S DATA REQUESTS

Data Request No. 1

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Does Qwest Communications Corporation have either pending or final decisions or judgements against it from any state or federal agency involving service and marketing to customers or rates charged. Please list and provide detailed information.

Answer:

Please see answer to Data Request No. 3.

Data Request No. 2

Please provide a complete organizational chart showing all of Qwest Communications Corporations affiliated companies.

Answer:

Please refer to Exhibit C of the application in this case. The exhibit is a current organizational chart of the company and its affiliates including parent companies.

Data Request No. 3

Please provide a list of either pending or final decisions or judgements against the companies listed in response to request number 2, from any state or federal agency involving service and marketing to customers or rates charged.

Answer:

The chart below lists all formal complaints pending against Qwest and its affiliates brought by a state or federal agency with regard to the provision of service, marketing, or rates, as well as all judgments or decisions resulting from such complaints since 1998. This chart does not address settlements, pending investigations, or other inquiries non-responsive to the



data request.

PENDING FORMAL COMPLAINTS AND FINAL DECISIONS AND JUDGMENTS AGAINST QWEST SINCE 1998

AGENCY	COMPANY	NATURE OF COMPLAINT	STATUS
Federal Communications Commission	Qwcst Communications, International Inc.	Slamming.	Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture filed at the Commission on October 19, 1999.
Connecticut Attorney General	Qwest Communications International, Inc.	Slamming.	Pending complaint filed in state court on May 13, 1999.
Massachusetts PUC	Qwest Communications Inc. (not a properly named party)	Slanıming.	Two judgments issued by Commission on December 20, 1999 and January 5, 2000.
Michigan PSC	LCI International Telecom Corp.	Slamming.	Two judgments issued by Commission on December 16, 1999 and January 19, 2000.
Missouri Anomey General	LCI-International Telecom Corp.	Slamming.	Pending complaint filed in state court on March, 1998.

The information above provided to the Missouri Public Service Commission Staff in response to the above data requests is accurate and complete, and contains no misrepresentations or omissions, based upon present facts of which the undersigned has knowledge, information or belief. The undersigned agrees to immediately inform the Missouri Public Service Commission staff if, during the pendency of this case before the Commission, any matters are discovered which would materially affect the accuracy or completeness of the attached information.

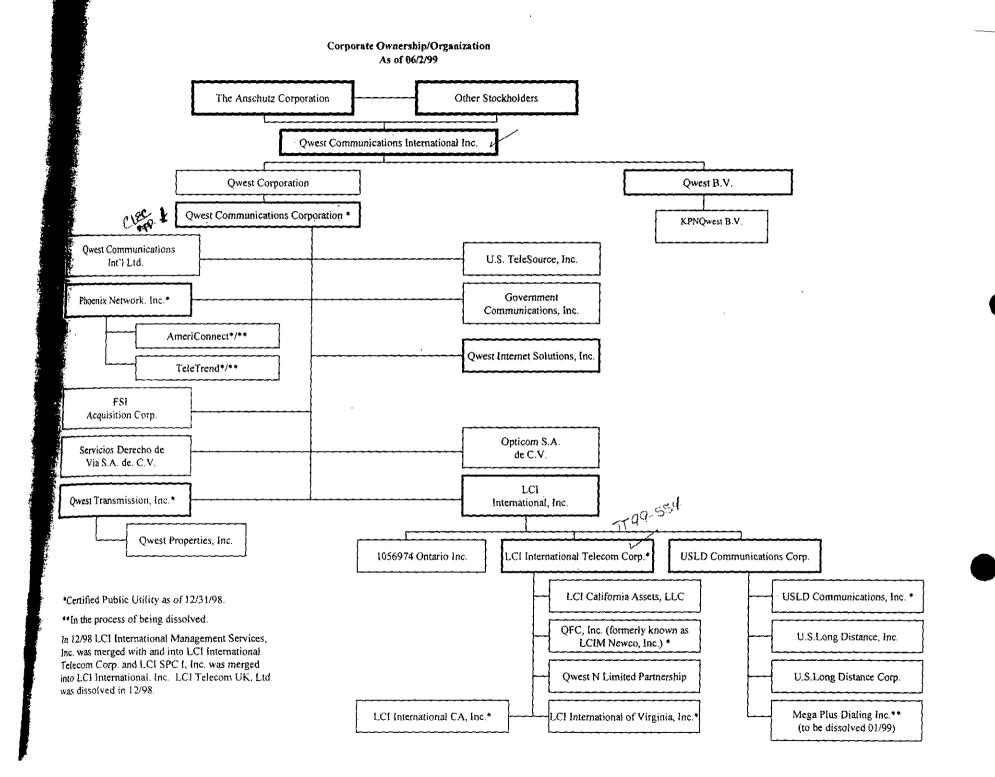
The responses to these data requests have been prepared by the Applicant.

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