

BEFORE THE MINNESOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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In the Matter of Qwest's Application for
Commission Review of TELRIC Rates
Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 251

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DOCKET NO. P-421/AM-06-713

In the Matter of the Petition of Eschelon
Telecom, Inc. for Arbitration of an
Interconnection Agreement with Qwest
Corporation Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252(b)

DOCKET NO. P-5340,421/IC-06-768

In the Matter of Qwest Corporation's
Conversion of UNEs to Non-UNEs

DOCKET NO. P-421/CI-07-370

In the Matter of Qwest Corporation's
Arrangements for Commingled Elements

DOCKET NO. P-421/CI-07-371

ORDER RESOLVING ARBITRATION
ISSUES, REQUIRING FILED
INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT,
OPENING INVESTIGATIONS AND
REFERRING ISSUE TO CONTESTED CASE
PROCEEDING

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

Since 1999, Cady Telemanagement, Inc., and its successor Eschelon Telecom, Inc. (Eschelon), have operated in Minnesota pursuant to an interconnection agreement (ICA) with US WEST Communications, Inc., and its successor Qwest Corporation (Qwest).¹ The parties have been discussing revisions to their agreement since then.

On May 26, 2006, after the parties failed to reach agreement on various terms of a new interconnection agreement, Eschelon petitioned the Commission to arbitrate the dispute pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the Act).²

¹ *In the Matter of a Request for Approval of the Interconnection Agreement and Amendment One to the Agreement Between US WEST Communications, Inc., and Cady Telemanagement, Inc.*, Docket No. P-5340, 421/M-99-1223.

² Pub.L.No. 104-104, 110 Stat. 56, codified in various sections of Title 47, United States Code.