

STATE OF MINNESOTA
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS
FOR THE MINNESOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of Qwest's Petition
for Approval of 2007 Additions to
Non-Impaired Wire Center List

**SECOND PREHEARING
ORDER**

This matter came on before Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) Richard C. Luis with the receipt of a letter from the Department of Commerce indicating that objections had been withdrawn regarding three wire centers at issue in this proceeding.

Based on the files and proceedings herein, the Administrative Law Judge makes the following:

ORDER

Procedure for Expedited Resolution of Issues

1. In referring this matter for contested case hearing, the Commission encouraged "early resolution of as many issues as possible. As issues are resolved, the Commission asks the ALJ to return those issues to the Commission promptly for its consideration."¹ At the Prehearing Conference in this matter, the ALJ urged the parties to heed the Commission's request.

2. On February 15, 2008, the Department of Commerce filed a letter indicating that its objections had been withdrawn regarding three of the wire centers at issue in this proceeding and that no other party had raised objections regarding those wire centers. The three wire centers for which the objections were withdrawn are Brainerd, Plymouth-Fernbrook, and Eden Prairie wire centers.²

¹ Commission Notice and Order for Hearing, at 4 (issued January 10, 2008)
(<https://www.edockets.state.mn.us/EFiling/ShowFile.do?DocNumber=4897441>).

² Department Letter (February 15, 2008)
(<https://www.edockets.state.mn.us/EFiling/ShowFile.do?DocNumber=4945391>).

3. The final date for filing Petitions to Intervene as a full party passed on February 19, 2008, with no Petitions having been filed. The other parties to this proceeding are the CLEC Coalition and Qwest.

4. Any party seeking to object to the referral of the Brainerd, Plymouth-Fernbrook, and Eden Prairie wire centers to the Commission for action on Qwest's nonimpairment petition must file that objection with the Administrative Law Judge in the manner provided for in the First Prehearing Order, not later than Friday, February 29, 2008. In the event that no objection is received, those three wire centers are referred to the Commission for action, without further Order of the ALJ.

Dated: February 20, 2008	
	_____ /s/ Richard C. Luis RICHARD C. LUIS Administrative Law Judge