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Before the
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20554

In the Matter of)
)
Open Network Architecture Tariffs)
of Bell Operating Companies)

CC Docket No. 92-91

MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME

U S WEST Communications, Inc. ("U S WEST"), pursuant to Section 1.46(c) of the Federal Communications Commission's ("Commission") Rules,¹ respectfully requests that the Common Carrier Bureau ("Bureau") extend the time for U S WEST to file its revised Open Network Architecture ("ONA") tariffs to comply with the Commission's recent Order.² The current Order requires U S WEST and other Bell Operating Companies ("BOC") to file revised ONA tariffs on or before December 27, 1993.³ U S WEST requests that it be allowed until January 31, 1994, to file revised ONA tariffs. We believe there is good cause for the granting of such extension.

In its Order the Commission found that U S WEST had failed to use a consistent unit investment methodology in developing ONA rates. For this and other reasons, the Commission found U S WEST's ONA rates to be unlawful and required U S WEST to file

¹47 CFR § 1.46(c).

²In the Matter of Open Network Architecture Tariffs of Bell Operating Companies, CC Docket No. 92-91, Order, rel. Dec. 15, 1993 ("Order").

³See id. ¶ 87.

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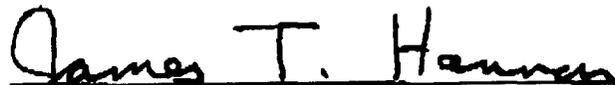
recalculated rates within ten days. U S WEST is unable to comply with this requirement. The Commission's Order basically requires U S WEST to update its Switching Cost Model ("SCM") and then re-run each of its 24 BSE cost studies. This is a major work effort which would require at least a month's time if all necessary subject matter experts were available. Unfortunately, many key employees are on vacation for the holidays, and it would be impossible or extremely inconvenient to try to call them in to work.

For the foregoing reasons, U S WEST believes that an extension of time for submitting revised ONA tariffs until January 31, 1994, is justified and in the public interest. The Commission has not terminated its accounting order with respect to U S WEST.⁴ As such, no party will be prejudiced by a grant of U S WEST's request for an extension of time.

Respectfully submitted,

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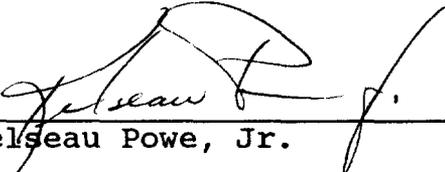
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⁴See id. ¶ 95.

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