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## TO: PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

## FROM: DIVISION OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

Jeffrey P. Millington, Director Laura Scholl, Manager Telecommunications Casey J. Coleman, Technical Consultant

**Re:** Amendment to an Interconnection Agreement between Qwest Corporation and Eschelon Telecom, Inc. per Docket No. 07-049-54.

### **RECOMMENDATION:** acknowledge receipt

### **ISSUES:**

On October 26, 2007 Qwest Corporation ("Qwest") filed the Bridge Agreement per the abovereferenced docket in accordance with § 54-8b-2.2(1)(d) of the *Utah Code*. This Agreement had been fully executed through voluntary negotiations on October 10, 2007 with Eschelon Telecom, Inc. ("Eschelon"). Eschelon's Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity was approved by the Commission on April 6, 1999 in Docket No. 98-2263-01.

The Division has reviewed the above-mentioned Agreement between Qwest and Eschelon and sees no reason to reject it. Specifically, the Division believes that the Agreement was negotiated in good faith and without unfair discrimination. Both parties also recognize that, to the extent that the existing rules are changed, vacated, dismissed, stayed or modified, this Agreement and all contracts adopting all or part of this Agreement will be amended to reflect such modification or change of the existing rules. Therefore, the Division recommends that the Commission acknowledge the receipt of this Interconnection Agreement.

cc: L.T. Christensen, Director, Interconnection Compliance, Qwest Robert Pickens, Eschelon Telecom, Inc. Michael Ginsberg, Assistant Attorney General

