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TO: PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

FROM: DIVISION OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

Philip J. Powlick, Director Bill Duncan, Manager, Telecommunications Paul M. Anderson, Technical Consultant

SUBJECT: All West Communications, Inc. Docket No. 08-2270-01 Dated June 2, 2008 Petition for Revision of Exchange Boundary

RECOMMENDATION: Approve Petition

BACKGROUND:

All West is filing a petition to revise their Coalville exchange boundary to incorporate noncertificated territory located between a proposed transfer area of the Wasatch Exchange of Qwest territory in Utah served from Evanston, Wyoming and the existing Coalville exchange boundary. A joint petition with Qwest (Docket No. 08-049-26) is being filed contemporaneous with this petition for permission to transfer the Qwest area to All West.

If both petitions are approved by the Commission the transfer area (72 sq. mi.), the boundary change area (128 sq. mi.), and the existing Coalville exchange area (287 sq. mi.) will be incorporated into one contiguous area designated as the Coalville Exchange area (487 sq. mi.). See Attachment 1 for a map of the proposed areas to be transferred.

ISSUES:

Customer Impact

There are currently no customers in the non-certificated area that All West wants to include in the Coalville exchange with its boundary revision petition. The Division has determined that All West has a fiber facility running through a portion of this area that would facilitate possible future development.



Utah USF

The Coalville exchange is not eligible for federal USF funds since it was originally acquired from Qwest which did not receive federal USF. Any transfer of area into the Coalville exchange is also not eligible for federal USF funds. All new plant placed in this area in the future will go into All West rate base and will be considered in future Utah USF distributions.

Attachment (1)

cc: Jim Farr Qwest Corporation Tony DiStefano All West Communications, Inc Committee of Consumer Services Dennis Miller