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## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Public Service Commission

From: Division of Public Utilities

Philip Powlick, Director

Bill Duncan, Telecommunications / Water Manager

Ron Slusher, Utility Technical Consultant

**Date:** March 22, 2010

**Re:** Agreement filing in the Matter of the Amended Interconnection Agreement between

Qwest Corporation and TCG Utah per Docket No. 10-049-10.

## **RECOMMENDATION** (Acknowledgement):

The Division recommends that the Commission acknowledge the receipt of this Amended Interconnection Agreement.

## **EXPLANATION:**

On March 12, 2010, Qwest Corporation ("Qwest") filed the Amended Interconnection Agreement per the above-referenced docket in accordance with § 54-8b-2.2(1) (d) of the *Utah Code*. This Agreement had been fully executed through voluntary negotiations on March 4, 2010 with TCG Utah ("TCG"). TCG's Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity was approved by the Commission on October 24, 1996 in Docket No. 96-2211-01.

The original Interconnection Agreement between Qwest and TCG was approved by the Commission January 8, 2005, in Docket No. 04-049-163

The Division has reviewed the above-mentioned Agreement between Qwest and TCG 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 Amended Interconnection Agreement.



cc: L.T. Christensen, Director – Wholesale Contracts, Qwest Corporation Bill C. Peacock, Director – Interconnection Agreements, TCG Utah Michael Ginsberg, Assistant Attorney General, State of Utah