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MEMORANDUM

To: Public Service Commission

From: Division of Public Utilities

Philip Powlick, Director

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Date: August 12, 2010

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

Owest Corporation and MCImetro Access Transmission Services, LLC per Docket No.

10-049-28.

RECOMMENDATION (Acknowledge):

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

EXPLANATION:

On August 10, 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 July 22, 2010 with MCImetro Access Transmission Services, LLC ("MCImetro"). MCImetro's Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity was approved by the Commission on January 29, 1997 in Docket No. 96-095-02.

The Division has reviewed the above-mentioned Agreement between Qwest and MCImetro 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.



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