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## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Public Service Commission

From: Division of Public Utilities

Chris Parker, Director

Bill Duncan, Telecommunications / Water Manager

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**Date:** February 10, 2011

**Re:** Agreement filing in the Matter of the Qwest Local Services Platform ("QLSP") Interconnection

Agreement between Qwest Corporation and Comtel Telcom Assets LP, dba Vartec Telecom per

Docket No. 11-049-14.

## **RECOMMENDATION** (acknowledge):

The Division recommends that the Commission acknowledge the receipt of this Qwest Local Services Platform ("QLSP") Interconnection Agreement.

## **EXPLANATION:**

On February 09, 2011, Qwest Corporation ("Qwest") filed the Qwest Local Services Platform ("QLSP") 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 February 01, 2011 with Comtel Telcom Assets LP, dba Vartec Telecom ("Vartec"). Vartec is a subsidiary of Matrix Telecom, Inc. who's Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity was approved by the Commission on December 15, 2005 in Docket No. 05-2452-01.

The Division has reviewed the above-mentioned Agreement between Qwest Corporation and Vartec 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 – Wholesale Contracts, Qwest Corporation Richard Dinh, SVP Operations, Comtel Telcom Assets LP, dba Vartec Telecom Felise Thorpe Moll, Attorney, State of Utah

