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State of Utah Department of Commerce Division of Public Utilities

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MEMORANDUM

- **To:** Public Service Commission
- From: Division of Public Utilities Chris Parker, Director Bill Duncan, Telecommunications / Water Manager Ron Slusher, Utility Technical Consultant

Date: September 20, 2011

Re: Agreement filing in the Matter of the CenturyLink Local Service Platform Agreement between Qwest Corporation and Gazelle Link, LLC per Docket No. 11-049-51.

RECOMMENDATION (deny):

The Division recommends that the CenturyLink Local Service Platform Agreement in this docket be denied until a CPCN is applied for and granted to Gazelle Link, LLC.

EXPLANATION:

On September 19, 2011, Qwest Corporation filed the CenturyLink Local Service Platform Agreement per the above-referenced docket in accordance with § 54-8b-2.2(1) (d) of the *Utah Code*. To date, Gazelle Link, LLC has not filed with the Public Service Commission a request to obtain a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity "CPCN".

Because Gazelle Link, LLC has not filed for a CPCN and does not have permission from the Commission to serve within the State of Utah, the Division recommends that the interconnection agreement in this docket be denied until a CPCN is granted.

cc: L.T. Christensen, Director-Wholesale Contracts, Qwest Corporation Johnny Brown, CEO, Gazelle Link, LLC

