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TO: PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

FROM: DIVISION OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

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RE: Docket No. 12-049-T02 Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink filing to

implement the first step in the "Transitional Intrastate Access

Service" reductions mandated by FCC Order 11-161.

## **ISSUE:**

Qwest Corporation (Qwest) dba CenturyLink is filing this modification to its existing Access Service Tariff, to implement the first step in transitional intrastate access service rate reductions as mandated in the Federal Communications Commission's November 18, 2011 Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in WC Docket Nos. 10-90, etc. (FCC 11-161). This change is required by the FCC Order, and was calculated using the "ICC-Access Reduction" template released by the FCC on April 19. 2012 for calculating the July 3, 2012 intrastate access rate changes.

## **RECOMMENDATION: Approve Tariff Modification**

The Division investigated the results of the tariff calculations for the required access revenue reductions which were targeted to the Carrier Common Line Terminating and Local Switching Terminating rate elements and determined that they were reduced to the appropriate rates.

The Division also agrees that this Tariff change is filed in compliance to the above mentioned FCC Order 11-161, and supports this change.

The Division therefore recommends that the tariff be approved and that this filing become effective on July 3, 2012.



**cc:** Jim Farr, Director, Idaho And Utah Regulatory Affairs, CenturyLink Justin Jetter, Assistant Attorney General, Utah Attorney General's Office Marialie Martinez, Manager, Customer Service, Utah Division of Public Utilities