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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: February 21, 2013

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

Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC and Neutral Tandem, Inc. per Docket No. 13-049-04.

RECOMMENDATION (Acknowledge):

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

EXPLANATION:

On or about February 20, 2013, Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC ("CenturyLink") 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 February 02, 2013 with Neutral Tandem, Inc. ("Neutral Tandem").

The Division has reviewed the above-mentioned Agreement between CenturyLink and Neutral Tandem 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 d/b/a CenturyLink QC Richard Monto, General Counsel, Neutral Tandem, Inc.
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